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Upcoming Carve-outs

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June 12 & 14—Chip carving with Dianne Loucks; July 17 & 19—Work on ornaments for Sheltered Living Christmas Tree; August 14 & 16— **“Chris-Moose” ornament with Katrina Meredith**

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KVW GENERAL MEETING, Mar. 9, 2014

Membership Report:

There are 66 paid members as of today; we have lost 35 members that are either unpaid or have moved away. Dues can still be paid and names added back on the membership roster. Please contact Jim or Carol Beck.

If anyone has a phone number/address/email for Raymond Starr contact Jim or Carol with that information.

Welcome to Wanda Heberling, Reina Scott, David Gonazales, and Scott Marshall for joining us today!

Treasurer's Report:

Tree Report: We participate each year in carving ornaments for a tree that is donated to auctioned to Sheltered Living for their annual Festival of Trees auction in December. Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate with the tree project. Our tree this year is a Gingerbread theme. We will be carving gingerbread men/women ornaments with a gingerbread village around the bottom of the tree. At the April 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> carve-out we will be carving tree ornaments. Please come and help with the ornaments. Sue has ordered the wood from John Krantz and David Butts will pick the wood up at the Kansas City Show.

We may use the leftover ornaments from last year to make a wreath to also donate to Sheltered Living or to auction at the show in November.

Show: Darrel emphasized the need to work on getting people to the show. John Engler will once again be our judge. Darrel is on getting show dates and information put in several magazines, such as Chip Chats, Carving Magazine, and Carving Illustrated. Sylva recommended sending to the Pyrography magazine and she will send Darrel the contact information. Daryl and Mike are making presentations about the club to local organizations. If anyone knows of an organization looking for a program where we can talk about carving, the club, and the show, let Mike or Daryl know as this will publicize our show. Also Katrina suggested posting show information on all our face book accounts closer to the show. Kathryn suggested putting flyers in NW businesses closer to the show. David will take a stack of show posters to the Kansas City Show and also to Springfield woodcarving seminar he is attending. Show flyers are now available so contact Darrel and he will get them to you; they will also be available at the meeting next month.

Carve Outs: Katrina reported that March carve- out will be held on March 13 and 15 will be Vance Weidel carving spoons. Blanks will be \$7. She also filled us in on carve-outs for the remainder of the year which will be listed in future issues of the newsletter. Thank you, Katrina, for taking care of this.

Seminars: Ken Armsbury-Bark Carving Seminar \$85 for March 28 and 29. All future seminars are listed in the newsletter.

Date changes: In April the meeting will take place on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The carve out will be April 10 and 12<sup>th</sup>  
In May the meeting is May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Show and Tell: Mike Keil-Mountain Man cowboy from **Carlan's seminar**; Carol Beck-a carving by Harold Enlow that she picked up at a local antique shop; Darla-2 walking sticks; Vance Weidle -3 chip carved pencil holders; Dianne Loucks-2 Fairy houses; Shirley Sherretts-bark carved pumpkin done in **Ken Armsbury's class** at Gretna, Nebraska.

Door Prize Drawings: Reina Scott and Gladys Balocca

Refreshments: A sign in sheet for volunteers for May and rest of the year is available. See Mary Anna Kellerman to get your name on the list. Thank you to Carol Beck and Katrina Meredith for treats today.

Program: Carlan presented sharpening ideas for both wheel and hand sharpening. Others also shared tips and ideas.

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Board Meeting, February 26, 2014

Mike Keil announced that Seaman Congregational Church is fine with the change in our April and May changes in club meeting dates: April 6, 2014 and May 18, 2014. He is still waiting on the picnic confirmation date. The **Christmas Banquet will be in a new location this year, since McFarland's** Restaurant is so unhandy for basement access. Carlan Honaker will check with HyVee about their fees for hosting our club.

Discussion about carve-outs and upcoming programs took up much of the board meeting. Katrina Meredith has hopefully assumed the position of Carve-Out Chair and has asked Vance Weidle to conduct the March carve-out. He will be teaching a simple chip carving spoon and the blank will cost \$7.00.

Possible programs for the future: March will deal with sharpening knives with items other than a motorized wheel. Everyone bring their own method of sharpening knives and gouges to the March meeting and share your method of sharpening with the rest of the club. Bring your stones and oil, sand paper strops—whatever you yourself use to sharpen. Carlan Honaker will facilitate the program.

April program is to be presented by Sheltered Living. May or June will hopefully be a program by a **member of the Woodturner's Club**. Darrell and Jim will contact inquire about a person to do this program. July is the picnic, August is the swap. September possibly a color wheel hands on.

Carla Honaker will be giving a painting class on June 6, 2014—this is an addition to the 2014 programs that will be available.

There are 63 members on the roster now that dues are in for this year. Some new members seem to not be receiving the newsletter. Discussion followed that possibly their own computer was blocking their access to the newsletter and sending it to junk mail. We will call new members when they sign up and invite them to the first couple of meetings.

Shirley Sterretts reported that several club members were at the carve out for making plans on the 2014 Sheltered Living Christmas Tree. **The ginger bread theme is on its' way to becoming reality.** John Krantz has been e-mailed about a wood order and David Butts will pick up the wood at the Kansas City show in March. Mike questioned if we would want to make up a wreath, or two, and use

old ornaments that we have. One of the wreathes would be in addition to the tree for Sheltered Living, the other for a possible door prize or auction item at the show in November. Mike Keil has an extra wreath available for use and Shirley will check to see how many ornaments are available for use.

Darrell handed out a budget for the year and it will be discussed next meeting. He has contacted four magazines with our show dates for 2014, two have acknowledged and two have not. John Engler will be the show judge for 2014.

There was much discussion about needing more community awareness about our club. Attendance at the show being down last year (possibly some of it because of the date being different than usual and confusion in the date that was printed in a carving magazine) we need to enhance our community profile.

- Advertising on benches-check on cost
- Mike will check with NOTO on possibly having a place to exhibit at First Friday art walk in the NOTO district. Possible in an alley where we could carve while displaying works of art.
- Carol will check with Mulvane Art Museum to see if they might consider a display of our art work.
- Darrell and Jim will check on displaying along with the Woodturners at the public library art gallery in the fall of 2014
- Maple Leaf Festival at Baldwin was mentioned—it is in October
- Getting on the Topeka Convention Bureau calendar
- **Mike will be doing a program at the Shepherd's Center this spring.** Carol was set up at a First Friday Art Walk at a local church. We took part in the Kansas Day activities at the State Museum. **All positive endeavors to get us out into the community. Let's get more people in our club involved in these types of things.**

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Beck, substituting

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