



Next Meeting is December 12

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Jim Milton Judging Schedule

January through October all judging categories will be OPEN

November..... Christmas Ornaments

December..... Carver-of-the-year

Refreshment Nights

February June September December

EOWA Monthly Meeting

Second Monday of the month, 7-9 PM

Central Center

1028 E. Sixth St. • Phone 596-1444

Open Night Carve-Ins

Every Thursday 5:30-8 PM No Fee

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Visitors are welcome at all meetings and carve-ins.

Dues

\$30 yearly, due in July.

Application, change of address and renewal form on last page.

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Don't forget that your annual membership is due in July and that it is \$30 per family. Contact George Welliver at 918-949-6453 or mail in the handy renewal form on the last page of the newsletter.

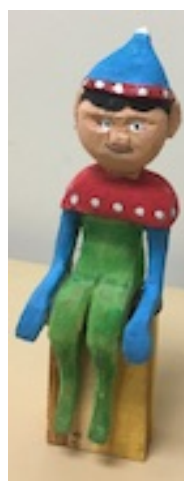
To submit items for the newsletter send to

Rusty Johnson at: ytsurjohnson@aol.com

Please check with George Welliver to see if your annual dues are paid up. They were due in July.



The December meeting is the Annual Christmas Party. There will be refreshments (bring a snack) and a gift exchange. Bring a carved, turned burned or otherwise handmade item or a gift of \$15 or less. We will also vote on Carver-of-the-Year. Members eligible for the voting are: January- Al Cross; February-James Wallace; March-Rusty Johnson; April-no entries; May-no entries; June-no entries; July-no entries; August-Bob Branham; September-Bill Payne; October-James Wallace.



A total of @270 ornaments were carved, turned, burned for this years donation to Broken Arrow Blue Star Mothers. Janet Vial and Peggy Hardy were on hand to accept our efforts. Rob McKnight donated alder wood and Betty Zumwalt made 150 rough outs.

FYI: EOWA has received nonprofit status finally. What does this mean? The most common type of tax-exempt nonprofit organization falls under category 501(c)(3), whereby a nonprofit organization is exempt from federal income tax if its activities have the following purposes: charitable, religious, educational, scientific, literary, testing for public safety, fostering amateur sports competition, or preventing cruelty to children or animals. We can accept donations, be included in wills and bequests. We cannot support political activities or candidates.

MINUTES OF MEETING, 11-14-2016
 CALL TO ORDER: Lori Hamilton
 FLAG SALUTE: Laurie Ribitzki
 JACK POT: Dee Baxter
 DOOR PRIZE: Blanks given to all names that follow: Pat Collins, Gary Bennett, Virgil Smyth, Tom Hamilton, Flo Hancock, Laurie Ribitzki, Lori Hamilton, Mike Stephenson, Bill Payne, and Peggy.
 VISITORS: Dan Arthrell (a friend of Bob Block)
 NEW MEMBERS: None
 LIBRARY REPORT: Remains the same
 HOSPITALITY: Jack and Reba Nitz their 65th wedding
 CARDS: Jack and Reba Nitz
 WEB SITE: None
 SHOW REPORT: Meeting the last Tuesday of January. Thank you letters and an application for to the new entries last year.
 UPCOMING SHOWS: None
 UPCOMING SEMINARS: Betty Zumwalt to get a Seminar for January 10-12 January 2017
 OLD BUSINESS: Christmas party next meeting. Refreshments and a gift ranging from \$15 to \$20 or something you made.
 NEW BUSINESS: Nominees for office next year are:
 President: Lori Hamilton
 Vice President: Betty Zumwalt
 Sec.: Carol Alley
 Treasure: George Welliver
 Newsletter: Rusty Johnson
 Library: Bob Branham. All were elected to post.
 SHOW AND TELL: Christmas ornaments. Given to Blue Star Mothers chapter 25. There were 264 total.

PROGRAM: A thank you and explanations about where the ornaments were going.



Web sites of Interest

The club Web site is on line. The url is www.eowa.us
 Soon to be available on the site are show registration forms, back issues of the newsletter, club by-laws, etc.
 The Eagle Cane Project web site has been returned to Jack Nitz until computer program incompatibilities can be corrected. The address for the site is: www.eaglecane.com.



Peggy Gomez created the snowman (above) for the Blue Star Mothers ornaments. Gary Bennett carved the limestone snowman (right).



Gary Bennett carved this 34" by 22" cross in Luders limestone (above). It is a commissioned piece.

Wood Quiz

Can you identify this wood by its Latin name and characteristics?

1) *Juglans cinerea*

Member of the walnut family grows in USA and Canada
 Straight grain soft but coarse texture
 Cuts well but need sharp blade or it will fuzz up
 Accepts finishes well
 28 lb. per cu ft.

2) *Ulmus Americana*

Large and stately tree
 Grows in Canada and USA
 Subject to disease
 Straight grain, but often interlocked
 Yellowish brown color
 Dulls tools moderately, but prone to warping.
 Accepts finishes well
 35 lbs. per cu. ft.
 Answer on next page.

Carving Hints from Smoky Mountain Woodcarvers Supply Catalog

<http://www.woodcarvers.com>

Sharp tools are a necessity not a luxury. Cleaner cuts in wood and less cuts in your skin.

Never sharpen any tool unless you have to (due to breaking, chipping or reshaping). Only stop or buff to maintain the edge.

Stropping: Make sure you keep all of the bevel in contact with the strop. Lay the blade flat on the strop and exert a small amount of pressure so that you maintain the correct contact. When you reach the end of the strop turn the blade so the sharp edge comes up and away from the strop. Just turn it over so it is flat again and strop. Be sure to use a small amount of strop abrasive.

EOWA Meetings and Carve-ins are at the CENTRAL CENTER
1028 E. Sixth Street
918-596-1444

Our meetings have returned to the Central Center where we previously met for many years. We will meet in the meeting rooms at the east end of the building just across the hall from where the Thursday night carve-ins are held. If you are not familiar with the location of the Center, it is near downtown, about 3 blocks west of Peoria on 6th Street, just east of the Inner Dispersal Loop (see map at right).





Stan Townsend turned the five lidded boxes (above right) from the wavy maple log (above) in exchange for instructions on folding and creating the beautiful ornamental balls at right.



The log belonged to Ann Whitterholt's father-in-law. She wanted mementos for her grandchildren and Stan generously turned them for her. In return she gave him lessons in creating Zen or Zia knots (right). Ed and Ann Whitterholt are neighbors of Bob Block who facilitated the deal and took the photos.



Congratulations to Jack and Reba Nitz who recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary

PLEASE RESERVE THE DATES and
MARK YOUR 2017 CALENDARS for the
North Arkansas Woodcarvers' 38th Annual
Woodcarving Show and Sale

Saturday & Sunday, May 6 & 7, 2017, Mountain Home, Ark.

Our Show Brochure/Application will be mailed in January, 2017

For More Information, Call:
Bonnie Davis - 870-431-8591
or Sandy Smith - 870-431-8070

Changes for the EOWA Woodcarvers and Folk Art Show

The Summer Show of Woodcarving and Folk Art will move to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma next year. Financial considerations dictated the move from the Union Multipurpose Activity Center. It will be in the Central Park Community Center of Broken Arrow, 1500 S. Main St.. Of course, there will be more details to follow.

Ends Soon at Gilcrease Museum

*Following the Grain:
A Centennial
Celebration of Willard
Stone runs through
Jan. 1, 2017.*



What does every carver do upon finishing a carving project? Look forward to beginning another carving project.

Donald K Mertz

Wood quiz answer: 1-Butternut; 2-American Elm.

About name tags: since we are a club of mostly seniors we like name tags to avoid the embarrassment of forgetting a friend's name. Therefore it is a club rule that all members have a carved name tag. A hefty fine of 25 cents will be levied against members not wearing one at a meeting. New members are given a one-month grace period to produce their own.

It is sort of silly to mention that this newsletter may be found on the EOWA web site since if you are reading this you have the newsletter in hand or on screen. But, note that the newsletters will be archived there so past editions will be available for reference. The site url is:

www.eowa.us

If you are on Facebook you should 'Like' us for any breaking information. The address is: www.facebook.com/groups/EasternOklaWoodcarversAssoc/ or go to your Facebook page, search for 'Eastern Oklahoma Woodcarvers' and click on the "Like" icon.



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New Membership, Change of Address or Membership Renewal

Dues: \$30 for annual family membership (due each July).

Name _____

Address _____

State _____

Home phone _____

Retired: Yes No email _____

Date: _____

Spouse _____

City _____

ZIP _____

Cell Phone _____

Mail to: EOWA, George Welliver, 543 S. 120th E. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74128. Phone 918-949-6453 Email: ghw37@yahoo.com

Become a patron of the arts: Support the EOWA with a tax-deductible gift!!

Your tax-deductible gift of \$30 will help us preserve, promote, and protect this ancient art form for future generations. You become an actual member of the Association, and receive email notices of upcoming editions of our monthly newsletter. You'll also be apprised of upcoming special guests at our monthly meetings.

Send your best gift to:

The Eastern Oklahoma Woodcarvers Association (EOWA)

P. O. Box 14047 Tulsa, OK 74159

Thanks for helping promote the amazing art form of woodcarving.



The Eastern Oklahoma Woodcarvers Association
P. O. Box 14047, Tulsa, OK 74159

Goods-in-kind Receipt



Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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We at The Eastern Oklahoma Woodcarvers Association are grateful for your goods-in-kind gift. It is through people like you who support the arts that we are able to perpetuate and preserve the timeless craft of woodcarving, introducing this wonderful medium to new generations of creative people. We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of your generous goods-in-kind gift of: _____, the value of which you estimate is \$_____.

If you need more room, please attach your list to this form and mail to the P. O. Box above. This is your tax-deductible receipt for state and federal income taxes.

Provider of the wood for the carving contest at the
EOWA Annual Show
Rod Wilcox
W4115 Frog Creek Road
Minong, WI 54859
715-466-2283
fcsawmill@centurytel.net

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Reminder: There is a weekly carve-in at the downtown Central Center, 1028 E. Sixth St., from 5:30-8:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Bring a project to carve and discuss tips and techniques with the other carvers. Also knitting and wood burning might break out!

Membership renewals are due in July. Please renew using the form above. Contact George Welliver if you have a question.