



EOWA donated 244 Christmas ornaments and \$100 to the Broken Arrow Blue Star Mothers at the November meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 11, 7:00PM.

The meeting will be the **Christmas Party!** Bring a **snack, spouse/partner** and an **exchange gift or gifts** for each attendant. It is encouraged that the exchange gift be hand made, i.e. carved, turned, sewn, etc., of \$20 value or less. The meeting as usual will be at the St. Stephens Methodist Church in Broken Arrow.



Prentice Robinson carved this crèche (above). It was a work in progress for several years he said. Bob Branham carved this anatomically correct bull bison (right) at the bison carving seminar given by Bill Payne last summer. The Santa at the far right was from a cypress knee carved and painted by Juli Allen.



2024 Officers

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2025 Show Chair:

Flo Hancock 918-899-1946
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Jim Milton Judging

Judging is back at the monthly meetings. Bring a carving. As participation grows a schedule of monthly subjects will be re-instituted.

November Christmas Ornaments
December Christmas Party

Refreshment Nights

February May September December

EOWA Monthly Meeting

Second Wednesday of the month, 7-9 PM
St. Stephens Methodist Church,
400 W. New Orleans, in Broken Arrow.

Monday Night Carve-Ins

Every Monday: 6:30-8:30 PM No Fee
St. Stephens Methodist Church,
400 W. New Orleans, in Broken Arrow.
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.
Send to:
EOWA, Roy Heginbotham
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Grove, OK 74344.
Phone 405-637-8006
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[www.facebook.com/groups/
EasternOklaWoodcarversAssoc/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/EasternOklaWoodcarversAssoc/)

To submit items for the newsletter send to Rusty Johnson at: ytsurjohnson@aol.com

2025 Officers. The club needs to select new officers for 2025. It is time for new members to step up. A lot of concern has been expressed about not being qualified. NOT TO WORRY. All officers were new at one time. Past officers and long-time members are always available to help plan and present programs.

2025 EOWA Folk Art and Woodcarver Show:

Dates have been reserved for next years show. The dates are October 17-18 with set up on the 16th. We are looking at extending the Friday times to noon to 8:00pm with the woodcarving judging from 10am to noon.



Door Prizes For 2025 Show

The show chair plans to reintroduce the hourly door prize drawings at the 2025 show. To do this we need for carvers and exhibitors to make some small item to give away such as the little birds shown above. Other items could be 3-minute owls, little mice, small refrigerator magnets, etc. Start now for next year. Thanks!

New for the EOWA 2025 Arts and Crafts Festival

The Broken Arrow Rose District is joining with EOWA to sponsor a \$200 Rose Challenge. All festival exhibitors are encouraged to create a rose from the medium of choice, i.e. ceramics, wood, fabric, stained glass, etc. The rose winner will be chosen by the Rose District development coordinator and an EOWA member and retained by the Rose district for future use and display.



Mason McKay (son of past EOWA president Morty McKay) suffered major brain trauma in a traffic accident last October. He is making slow by steady progress in his rehabilitation. EOWA made a donation of \$200 to his recovery fund. Anonymous donations also added \$40 to the fund. Our hopes and prayers go out to Shana and Morty McKay. Anyone wishing to make a donation contact Rusty Johnson at ytsurjohnson@aol.com and he will send you the contact information.

MINUTES OF MEETING, 1/14/2024

PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER: Paul Barry
FLAG SALUTE: Paul Barry
JACKPOT: Roy Heginbotham
VISITORS: Blue Star Mothers. Kristy and Lisa
TREASURE REPORT: \$3013.33 Church been paid.
LIBRARY REPORT: Closed tonight
CARDS: Mason McKay
NEWSLETTER:- Send all notices to Rusty Johnson. Send pictures of carving to Rusty also.
HOSPITALITY: Motion to donate \$200 to Mason McKay (son of Morty McKay, past EOWA president) and \$100 to Blue Star

Mothers. Was passed and was sent.
UPCOMING SHOWS: Inola Round-up on 30th of Nov. craft show and Rhema on Dec 13th and 14th.
SHOW COMMITTEE: To have first meeting on January 15th 2025 at St Stephens church at 6:00pm.
NEW BUSINESS: Nominees for president and vice president. To be discussed in Dec. and voted on. To have refreshment night and exchange gifts. Gifts are to be made by the club members and price around \$20.00. Bring a dish to share and meat will be supplies by the club.
SHOW AND TELL: Nativity scene carved by Prentice Robinson, Blue Santa carved by

Julie Allen, and Buffalo carved by Bob Branham.
PROGRAM: Christmas ornaments was given to the Blue Star Mothers for our soldiers. There was 244 donated that was carved by the club members. Good job all.
DECEMBER 11TH WILL BE THE NEXT MEETING. REMEMBER THAT WE WILL BE HAVING REFRESHMENTS SO BRING A DISH ALSO WE WILL BE EXCHANGING GIFTS SO BRING YOUR GIFT. BRING YOUR FAMILIES IF YOU WANT, JUST REMEMBER TO BRING A GIFT FOR THEM TO EXCHANGE. COME AND ENJOY THE FUN WE ALWAYS HAVE.

Rehabilitating a Pete Ortega St. Frances Folk Carving

A friend of mine called and asked if I could fix her St. Frances statue carved by renowned Santa Fe folk artist Pete Ortega. Frances was delivered in a box in several pieces. His base and feet suffered major rot (first photo), his arms had been reattached crudely with wood screws and one of his birds was missing. The other bird was unattached and missing a beak. I began by cutting off 3" of rot at the bottom of his robe. His feet were easily removed from the rotten base. The wood screws were removed from his arms and wood hardener poured into the attachment areas. The arms were drilled, pegs inserted, Gorilla glued to the body and bungee-corded in place while the glue set (second photo). A complete new base was made and the body pegged and bolted in place. Then feet were pegged and glued in place. A piece of driftwood cottonwood was found and a new bird carved in the folk style (photo bottom left) and pegged and glued to his right arm. The left original bird got a new beak and was reattached. The whole figure was rubbed with Tung Oil and called done. St Frances has a new indoor home.



— Rusty Johnson



Blue Star Mothers are in need of donations year round

The following are some of the items needed by USA military serving abroad. Deliver donations to Broken Arrow Blue Star Mothers headquarters at 1117 S. Main Street, Broken Arrow.

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| Velveteen shells and cheese microwave cups | soup, etc. |
| Men's black crew socks | Over-the-counter meds i.e. cold/headache/ |
| Bigelow organic tea bags | Neosporin, bandages, cough drops |
| Entenmann's mini-muffins | Gently used paperback books |
| Individually wrapped candies | Batteries and small flashlights |
| Nature's Garden Trail Mix snack packs | Toiletries: deodorant, Q-tips, disposable razors, dental floss, tooth brushes, toothpaste, travel size body wash, shampoo, pocket tissue, eye drops |
| Planter's salted peanuts single serve | Ziplock bags |
| Chewing gum | Small toys or games |
| Slim Jim's or other single serve jerky | Crossword and word search puzzles |
| Sam's club individually wrapped toilet paper | Card games |
| Crystal Light variety on-the-go packs | Christmas, birthday, thank you cards and envelopes |
| Propel Powder packets | Pens and pencils |
| Snack crackers/cookies individual servings | |
| Ramen noodles | And any other item you can think of that is small and non-perishable and usable on long trips. |
| Chapstick | |
| Pop-Tarts | |
| Individual oatmeal packets | |
| Breakfast bars | |
| Hot Cocoa | |
| Foil tuna packets | |
| Coffee straws, sugar and creamer packets | |
| Pop-top cans raviolis, chili, | |

New Membership, Change of Address or Membership Renewal

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

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Retired: Yes No email _____

Mail to: EOWA, Roy Heginbotham, 63910 E. 297 Ln. Grove, OK 74344. Phone 405-637-8006



EOWA dues are due July 1 each year. Please send your check to: EOWA, Roy Heginbotham, 63910 E. 297 Ln, Grove, OK 74344

Or bring your check to the meeting and hand it over to Roy personally.