



August 2020 Newsletter

By Karen Barten – Secretary

President Greg Wirtz called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Sunshine Report: Marion O’Kray reported that she did not send any cards out this past month.

Membership: We have (125) memberships in 2020. Ron Fischer renewed his membership. (20) Members attending meeting.

Treasurer’s Report:

- **Income** came from: Dues 2020, Tables @ 2020 show, Sale of Club patches, Sale of Wisconsin River Woodcarvers Baseball Caps, Donations to offset cost of renting Lake Wazeecha shelter, and Sale of “Small Santa Ornament” roughouts purchased from Van Kelly. .
- **Expenses** were for: Reimbursement to club secretary for stamps and envelopes, Cookies for club meeting, Purchase of (20) Wisconsin River Woodcarvers baseball caps, Ink for computer for club treasurer, and Rental of Lake Wazeecha shelter on July 29, 2020.
- **For the Good of the Club:** Joe Longo of Fond du Lac, WI (a long time member of the Wisconsin River Woodcarvers) was sad to see that the club had to cancel the 2020 show and incur a financial loss, so he donated \$100.00 to the club.

Wisconsin River Woodcarvers 2021 Show:

- The 2021 show will be held on September 18 & 19 at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point.
- Hummul Carving Co. has agreed to be our show vendor for 2021.
- Moore Wood and Roughouts has agreed to be at our 2021 show.
- Vic Hood and Gregg Thompson will be the show judges in 2021.

- Vic Hood and Gregg Thompson have agreed to teach a seminar prior to the 2021 on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday September 14, 15, & 16, 2021. Ron O’Kray has contacted the “Lincoln Center” about a room for those seminars.
- **Do we have a volunteer for “Show Chairman” in 2021?** If no one volunteers, Ron O’Kray will volunteer for the show chairman’s position in 2021. Ron requests that someone volunteer to “intern or apprentice” with him, so that we will have a show chairman in 2022. Ron’s last year as show chairman will be 2021. Please talk to Ron for more details, He will be helping the apprentice in the 2021 show. Greg needs to know who is willing by the next club meeting.
- All Raffle donations made for 2020 will be used for the 2021 show. We need many more raffle prizes. The Nativity pieces carved for the 2020 show will be used for the 2021 show. We still have some carvers who have not turned in their Nativity pieces. When you are carving Christmas ornaments, carve an extra one for the Christmas tree that we will give away at the 2021 show.

Old Business:

- Greg Wirtz is teaching “How to carve the Small Santa Ornament”; all ornaments that were ordered are sold. The class is doing very well with some carvers having their piece carved and painted. Randy Hartjes has completed one and showed it at the meeting.
- Ron O’Kray has the new 25th anniversary Baseball caps. The price is \$15.00
- We have talked with the Lincoln Center in Stevens Point about resuming our Tuesday’s meetings. At this time, they have no idea when they will open up to the public.
- Meeting at the 1st united Church of Christ? At the present time we do not have an idea when the church will be available. have another place where we can meet.
- Club meetings after the Lake Wazeecha shelter closed for the season? At the present time we do not have another site to meet. If anyone, or a group, Please put your heads together to see if there is a suitable place for the club to meet. Thanks.
- The club voted to meet at the Lake Wazeecha shelter. We have a Donation container to offset the cost of meeting at the Lake Wazeecha shelter, please donate a little if possible.

New Business:

- Ron O’Kray has received a donation of “Cut Resistant” gloves. There are assorted styles and sizes. See Ron for your “Free” pair.
- Christmas Party? Undecided at this time.
- Future Club carving projects? At this time we do not have anything in plan. If you have any suggestions Please talk to Greg or Ron with suggestions.

Joyce Kauth has donated a number of cut outs and there are some left. Contact Greg if interested, there is no cost for you.

We have had meetings strictly for the "Show Committee, if you are interested you are welcome to attend when we meet again.

Sophie has brought the carving of Jesus that Bill had restored, and if you would like to work on this project. See Dave King for more details. There is also a huge cross that they were wondering if we could help carve a message in Polish. . If so we would need to go where the cross is since it's size and weight.. The face and head have started to rot. They would like it to be Polish. We will discuss at another meeting.

The otter from the library is checked out and at this time, we are asking individuals to help locate it. Please check your work center, possibly it was just misplaced.

Also the sign above Jesus is being thought of. Thanks.

Motion was made to end the meeting by Marion and Echo to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM. Motion carried.

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