



OCWC News

Oklahoma City Woodcarvers Club

2011 Officers

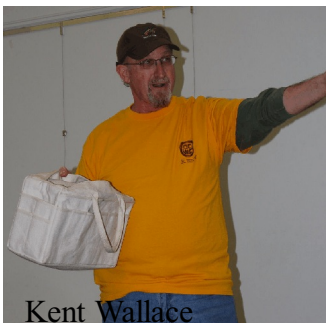
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Auction All for Fun and Profit

Once again this year our annual club auction proved to be both fun and profitable. Many members went home with some real treasures at a truly bargain price. Attendance was good and those who came joined in with donations and bids.



Gary James made certain that each member got signed in properly and had their bid cards as **Bob Gentry** can attest to. In the recent past we were lead by a professional auctioneer; however, this year we were treated to a great performance from a couple of our own members leading the way to extract the maximum bid for each item.

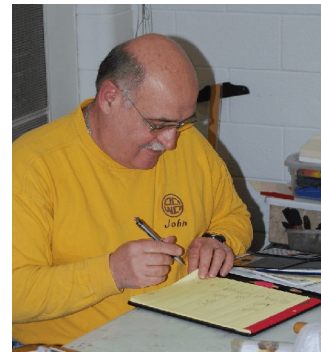


Kent Wallace



Steve Brandt

The items went on open display before the meeting so we could ensure everyone had ample opportunity to examine the items that ranged from new and used tools, excellent carving wood, instructional carving books and DVD's, rough-outs/cut-outs, and many more exotic articles.



Our Treasurer, John Amicon, had his hands full being certain that each high bid was properly recorded (and collected). With two auctioneers he sometimes had his hands full keeping up with the action. When all the dust settled, the Club cleared over \$400 and everyone seem to have gone home after an entertaining evening. Well done to all who did their part.

April Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, April 19th, 7:00 PM, Panara Bread,
 68th & Western

Mike Shipley Class

There are still openings for this three-day class. The cost is \$145 plus the rough-out. The event is Thursday through Saturday, April 28th - 30th.

Contact Jay Allen or Pete Zachry.

Heartland Chapel Report



The restoration of the Heartland Chapel at the Murrah Building Bomb Site is progressing rapidly. The benches have been totally repaired, refinished, and returned to the Chapel. The Scriptures and quotations have been reinstalled on the ceiling after having been cleaned and refinished as needed. Crews met at **Bob Smith's** workshop twice in order to work over the benches that needed cleaning, sanding, and re-carving of the seats. The legs required some repair and each of the benches received several coats of fresh varnish before being delivered to the Chapel.



L to R: Bob Smith, Al Snawder, Evelyn Moore, Bob Gentry, and Steve Brandt - photo by Pete Zachry.

The remaining task is the restoration of the prayer benches and the stand that holds the information about the Chapel. **Bob Smith** advised the Club that it would be better to build new prayer benches; however, the decorations that were carved by members originally have been cleaned and refinished and will be installed on the new works.

There are a few items relating to the actual structure that the Church plans to repair. After the repairs are complete, the Chapel will be like new, only with a little patina. Each member and former member who have helped can be proud of having taken part in this effort.

From the Presidents Workbench

It is good to be home. We just got home from a week in Springfield, Mo. There were 12 of us from the Oklahoma City area participated in carving seminars in the first Ozarks Woodcarving Seminar. Almost 200 carvers filled the very well lighted, Knights of Columbus Hall in Springfield, and many of us plan to return next year. The seminar replaces the one that used to be held in Silver Dollar City, in March. I did not get my project done but most of us did finish our projects. We can look forward to some interesting 'show-and-tell' presentations at club meetings. I'm looking forward to Bob Smith's demo and project at the Club meeting Monday April 11. Bring your knives! Hope to see you all there.

Richard

DUES

Again this year our dues seem to be coming in rather slowly. Many members have overlooked this annual occurrence that we must endure each January. Please try to get your \$24.00 in to our Treasurer, John Amicon, by the next meeting. Those who give of their time and talents to keep the Club going deserve our support. The best way to say "Thank You" to them is to support the Club by continuing your membership.

Please get the dues in as quickly as possible

BARK CARVING WITH STEVE BRANDT – ROUND 2

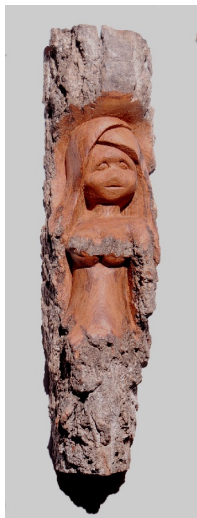
Steve Brandt's bark carving was so popular that he agreed to host a second session. Again, the First Baptist Church and their carvers provided the facilities and the coffee. Because of unexpected conflicts in scheduling, several were unable to attend so the group was somewhat smaller than expected. The lower number did nothing to deter the fun that everyone had. The



L to R - Fred Self, Pete Zachry, Ken Farrell, Gary James, Mack Roark, and Jerry Wooliver.

carvers mostly created fantasy structures or "Gnome Homes" as they are sometimes called. Each carver had ample opportunity to display their imagination and everyone did exactly that.

A typical "Gnome Home" early in the design and carving process.



This "Wood Spirit" shows the variety of the imagination displayed in the class.

No Excuses Show & Tell

The February meeting resulted in a excellent turnout of members' carving on display. I will try to get each one of them reported on in, either this issue or the May issue.



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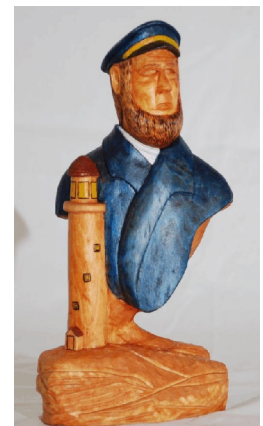
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Membership and Meetings

Membership is open to individuals who are interested in woodcarving or the promotion of woodcarving. Annual dues are \$24.00 per family.

General Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month (except September) at the City Arts Center, 3000 Pershing Blvd., on the State Fair Grounds, Oklahoma City, at 7:00 PM. Visitors are always welcome. Refreshments are provided by Club members.

Business Meetings are held on the second Tuesday following the general meeting at Panara Bread located at 68th and North Western, in Oklahoma City at 7:00 PM.

News Letter is published each month and mailed to all members during the first week of each month. Any one having news of interest to the membership or having an announcement relating to the Club or woodcarving should contact the Editor prior to the last day of the month.

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