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2020 Officers Evan Vinson ident Keith Newark Dan Nealey John Amicon

NEXT MEETING

When: 7:00 PM TUESDAY, JULY 28

Where: Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center

Topic: Woodburning with Elaine Nealey

Refreshments: Coffee

Door Prizes: John Amicon

Please be prepared to sign in and consent to having your temperature taken when entering the building. Anyone with a temperature over 100.3° will not be able to stay. Wearing a face mask is strongly urged.

At our Last Meeting...

We had a decent turnout for our first meeting since safety measures were taken to slow down the spread of the novel coronavirus.



The program for our June meeting was Show and Tell, and our members had a wide variety of work on display. It was fun to see what others had been doing during our hiatus.



John Amicon shared his cowboy caricature.



John Schaller told us a little bit about his bird carving.



Elaine Nealey showed off the clock face that she burned. Her husband, Dan, built the frame.





Tom Copeland told the members about his relief carving based on a Remington pin.



Keith Newark shared two of his abstract paintings that incorporate some carving, too.



Ralph Gannick told us a little about the various pieces he has been carving lately, including several small turtles.



Richard Dalke shared two pieces including a long block of wood with a miniature face at one end. After he finishes it, he will be able to use the remaining wood to create more small carvings.



John Luna talked to us about the cross that he has been working on.



Jay Allen showed us an architectural carving of an eagle that he has been working on.

Our president, Evan Vinson, kept us entertained as he told us about his many spoons, knife handles, and other sundry carvings.



Carve-ins

Carve-ins have resumed at most of our regular haunts. Safety rules vary from place to place, but most require face masks and social distancing. The Church of the Servant has not reopened as of this writing.

NOTES from the President:

"What is woodcarving to you?"

This is my response, what's yours?

It is a community that brings good people together that just want to be creative and allow their imaginations to create something lasting. It's an outlet for those that need to take their mind off the stresses of the fastpaced modern world, harking back to simpler times prior to plastic, where we created our own tools and toys that were safe, natural, and filled with meaning.

We will continue to push on as we do, and remember those before us.

Sincerely,

Evan Vinson

ARTISTRY IN WOOD SHOW

In light of the current rise in COVID-19 cases, the board is reconsidering our current plan to hold a scaled-down show at the end of August. The question of whether to go forward with the plan or to cancel the show will be up for discussion at the next members meeting.

DELINQUENT DUES!

We are more than halfway through the year, and only about one third of our members have paid their dues so far! If you have not paid your dues yet, please consider dropping a check in the mail today. Checks should be made payable to OCWC in the amount \$24 and sent to:

John Amicon 504 Country Ln. Midwest City, OK 73130

If you've already paid – Thank you!

All paid members will also receive a copy of the club roster so that we can stay in touch with each other more easily.

COMING EVENTS:

EASTERN OKLAHOMA WOODCARVERS SHOW This show has been cancelled.

CARICATURE CARVING CLASS November 2 – 4, 2020 Church of the Servant 14343 N. MacArthur Blvd.

Roger Stegall is a caricature carver from Mayflower, Arkansas who has taught here in OKC. If you want to know more about Roger, check out his website at stegallcarvings.org, or his videos on voutube.com. His class is on track to be held at the Church of the Servant November 2 -4. The cost for each person will be \$158 plus \$15 - \$30 for a rough-out. A deposit of \$75 must be paid by October 1 in order to hold a space in his class. Please be assured that any deposit paid in advance will be refunded if the class is cancelled. Contact Evan Vinson for more details. The class is limited to 12 people, and there were only four spots left as of this writing, so sign up soon!

2021 OZARKS WOODCARVING SEMINAR March 14 – 19, 2021 Springfield, MO

For more information, please visit <u>www.OzarksWoodcarvingSeminar.com</u> or contact John Engler at (417) 209-6842 or John@JohnEnglerWoodcarving.com.

RENEGADE WOODCARVERS ROUNDUP March 22 – 26, 2021 Lebanon, TX More information to follow.

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