



OCWC News

Oklahoma City Woodcarvers Club

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2020 Officers	
President	Evan Vinson
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NEXT MEETING

When: 7:00 PM Tuesday, September 22

Where: Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center

Topic: Group Project Time! We'll be carving a *MYSTERY OBJECT* to be revealed at the meeting. Bring your tools and safety gear. The club will provide the wood. It should take about 15 – 30 minutes to complete.

Refreshments: Coffee

Door Prizes: John Schaller

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...

With eleven members in attendance, we had a stronger showing at our last meeting than we did the month before.



Pete Zachry gave a PowerPoint presentation that included a little information about his background and pictures of a few of his carvings as well as carvings that were done by other artists that he found to be especially impressive. Some were hundreds of years old. Others were very large. They ran the gamut from realistic to abstract. All of them were remarkable. Unfortunately, we ran out of time

before he ran out of pictures, so we hope to see the rest of his presentation at a future meeting.



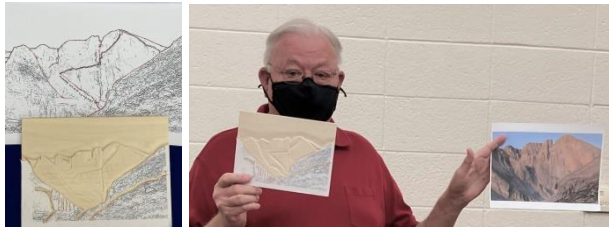
For Show and Tell, Richard Dalke shared the two knife blade covers that he carved and painted – Smiley and Grumpy. Each one has a magnet inside that holds it in place.



Honey Witcher told us a little about a graceful dancer that she created from a tap root of unknown origin. She and Pete Zachry collaborated on the design.



She also showed three cats that Pete carved from holly, cherry, and maple. After the meeting, Pete posted the pattern for the cats on the OCWC Facebook page.



Tom Copeland brought in a bas relief that he has been carving from Colorado beetle kill pine. He used the Colorscape phone app to make a carving pattern from a photo.



Marvin Jones is already prepared for the holidays. He shared a Christmas tree topper that he whitewashed and then chip-carved. He told us that the angled surfaces made carving it a real challenge, but he still managed to do a fine job. He also shared three small, chip-carved sleds. Last, but not least, he shared a bas relief of a dogwood branch with blossoms and leaves that he carved from a modified pattern that he found in one of Kevin Walker's books on relief carving.



Evan Vinson shared three pieces with us, a finely done cowboy caricature, a man holding a coffee mug that he calls Break Time, and a toy horse that he carved and painted.

Steve Brandt's Friendship Cane

Evan Vinson, Ralph Ganick, and Richard Dalke met at Steve's home to give him the friendship cane from the Club. He was very appreciative. Here is a link to a recording of his [comments](#). The elements on the cane were done by many members of the club as a gift.



Elaine Nealey brought back the eye that she began burning at last month's demo.



NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Remember to bring your **sharp** tools and safety gear as well as those nifty Show & Tells!

NEWSLETTER REQUEST

What have you club members been doing? That is what we are wondering as we work to put together the monthly Newsletter. Please call or write to Elaine or Richard and tell them so they can put you in the Newsletter. Elaine's email is elainealey@cox.net. Richard's email is redalke@gmail.com, and his phone is 405-255-6168.

CLASSES FOR VETERANS

The VA is organizing a woodcarving class to be held at the Will Rogers Senior Center at 3501 Pat Murphy Drive, not far from where our monthly meetings are held. They will take place on Tuesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., and the class will be made up of five to ten carvers of various skill levels. The usual safety measures will be in place.

Evan Vinson, with the help of one or two other volunteers, has been teaching an online class for beginning woodcarvers each Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. The purpose of these classes is to provide therapy for the participants.

Volunteer instructors of any skill level are needed for both classes. If you are interested in helping out our vets, please contact Evan.

DELINQUENT DUES!

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.

CARVE-INS

Would anyone be interested in early morning carve-ins at a local park pavilion? If so, please contact Evan Vinson.

Facilities currently open for carve-ins are:

- The Dale Robertson Center on Yukon Parkway (Mustang Road) in Yukon,
- Woodcraft on North May Avenue
- Midwest City Senior Center
- Woodson Park on Wed. morning is open, no one is currently attending.

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 youtube.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.

2021 OZARKS WOODCARVING SEMINAR

March 14 – 19, 2021

Springfield, MO

For more information, please visit

www.OzarksWoodcarvingSeminar.com or

contact John Engler at (417) 209-6842 or

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RENEGADE WOODCARVERS ROUNDUP

March 22 – 26, 2021

Lebanon, TN

More information to follow.

Website: www.okcarver.org