



OCWC News

Oklahoma City Woodcarvers Club

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2023 Officers	
President	Marvin Jones
Vice President	Evan Vinson
Secretary	Elaine Nealey
Treasurer	John Schaller

NEXT MEETING

Program: *THE DECEMBER MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED!*

DECEMBER MEETING...

Our December meeting has been cancelled as the Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center will be closed on our regular meeting day, and we were unable to find another meeting place. Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

AT OUR LAST MEETING...

Election of Officers:

We held our annual election at the last meeting. Here are the results:



Honey Witcher
President



Evan Vinson
Vice President



Jan Garrett
Secretary



John Schaller
Treasurer

We would like to express our appreciation for all our officers, past, present, and future, without whom our club would cease to

function. Because of you and our other volunteers, we have been able to spread the art of woodcarving along with the camaraderie that binds us together as a group. Thank you!

Glen Spangler Award

John Schaller is the recipient of the Glen Spangler award for 2023. In his quiet, calm way, John has been an invaluable member who always finds things that need attention, big or small, and then pitches in to see that the task is accomplished. This award is a token of our appreciation for all that he has done for our club.



Program:

At our last meeting, Evan Vinson demonstrated how to carve a spoon from a log. He used a branch from a pear tree for his presentation, which turned out to be a challenging piece to work with. It was too hard to split with his chisel, and it split to one side rather than straight down the middle.



Despite these difficulties, he managed to carve a spoon from the smaller piece that split off from the branch.



After roughing out the spoon a bit, he made stop cuts just above the place that he wanted to use for the bowl of the spoon.



He continued to rough out the spoon using glancing blows with his carving hatchet until it was time to wind up the meeting. By the end of the demonstration, he had a piece that was ready for finer carving.



Show and Tell:

Mark Burluson brought in a fair number of his holiday-themed carvings...



Snowman ornaments



Acorn people and a spare club for the guy in the middle.



More snowmen



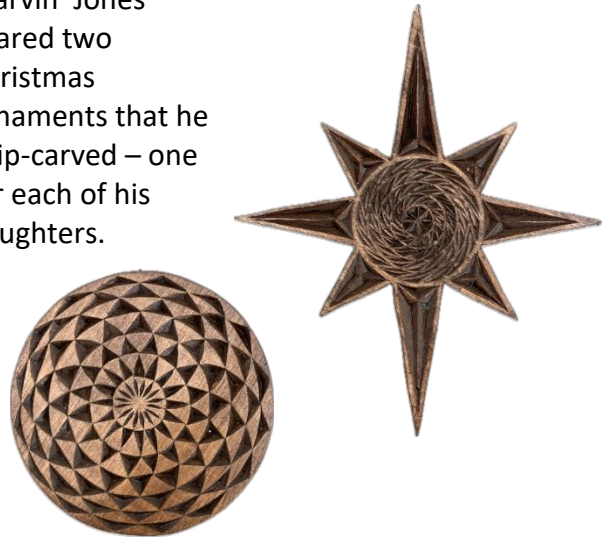
relief carving of wolf and moon



Evan Vinson shared a couple of gnomes that he carved and a gnome napkin holder. The back piece is a horseshoe.



Marvin Jones shared two Christmas ornaments that he chip-carved – one for each of his daughters.



DJ and Mary Boyce began by showing us the Christmas ornaments that they had carved and then strung together. Next, Mary wrapped DJ in the string of ornaments, and put a tree topper on his head. There were lights hidden in the string of ornaments, so the grand finale was the lighting of the “tree.”

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

I want to thank Evan Vinson for the spoon carving program at our November meeting. Evan is always ready to help with club activities.

Also, thank you to my executive committee in the past two years for their help and support. You have all done a great job. The club’s vice president, secretary, and treasurer have done an excellent job at their responsibilities.

Richard Dalke has gone above and beyond with his help in the areas of technology, monthly meeting helps and show preparation. Thank you, Richard.

I want to thank all the others who have helped with the Show Committee and all other club activities the past two years. Please keep doing your part in keeping our club moving forward.

Marvin Jones, President

PAID CARVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in taking on paid carving projects, please contact John Schaller. John responds to messages sent to our website from people who are looking for something specific – such as a carving made from a piece of wood from a tree that they loved, or a carving of something they like from any wood that the carver chooses. John can be contacted by phone at 405-826-0430 or by email at jwschaller@cox.net

OCWC CAPS & SHIRTS

Caps and shirts with our club’s name and logo embroidered on them can be purchased directly from Inspirations Logos by We R 1

Clothing. Orders can be placed via email at insp@wer1okc.com.

Tee-Shirt with Club Name and Logo \$15.00
Plain Tee-Shirt \$5.00

Caps with club logo:

Regular Solid Top \$16.50
Regular Mesh Top \$20.50

The shirts come in your choice of black, red, royal blue, or sport gray. Sales tax will be added to your order. Another option is to order from Personal Touch Monograms located at 18 E Ayres St. in Edmond. They charge \$16.00 to monogram a shirt that the customer provides. Please contact Deborah Fleetwood via email at ptmonograms@aol.com or by phone at 405-348-3511.

ONLINE RESOURCES

WEBSITE

Information about carve-ins, meetings, classes, resources, and more can be found on our club’s website. Please check it out at www.okcarver.org

OCWC Facebook Page

Please visit our club’s Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/217513548580943/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLASSES, SHOWS, & SEMINARS

2024 Renegade Woodcarvers Roundup

March 18 – 22, 2024

For more information, contact Steve Brown at 270-871-4239.

2024 Ozarks Woodcarving Seminar

March 18 – 22, 2024

For more information, contact John Engler at 417-209-6842.

In the Works:

Van Kelly – Caricature

Al Vigil – Chip Carving

Alec Lecasse – Cottonwood Bark Faces

Roger Stegall – Caricature
Randy Landen – Caricature
Debbe Edwards – Wildlife
Blake Lundsford – Caricature
Stu Marten – Caricature. Stu has a large selection of Santas, Indians, and mountain men.

If you think you would be interested in attending one of these classes, please contact Evan Vinson.

MONTHLY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Each month, the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer meet via Zoom to discuss club business. This meeting takes place at 3:00 PM on the second Wednesday of each month, and is open to all members. Please contact one of our officers in advance for a link to the meeting.

CARVE-INS

Woodcraft

9301 N May Ave
Saturdays, 9:00 am – noon
Contact store at 405-748-8844

Will Rogers Senior Center

Beginners and More Class/Carve-in

Senior Center at Will Rogers Park
Tuesdays, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Instructors are John Luna and Clyde Fosdyke.
Contact John Luna at 405-919-7103.

Yukon Senior Center

Robinson Activity Center
Highway 66 & Mustang Rd.
Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri., 9:00 am - noon
Contact Earl Feese at 620-629-3479

Edmond Senior Center

Mitch Park near Santa Fe & Covell Rd (206th St)
Thursdays, 12:30 – 3:00 pm
Contact John Schaller at 405-826-0430

Church of the Epiphany

7336 W Britton Rd (Enter on the west side of the church.)
Thursdays, 9:00 am – noon
Contact John Hale at 405-283-0057

Church of the Servant

14343 N MacArthur
Thursday, 6:00 to 9:00 pm
Contact Bill Medina at 405-888-0919

Midwest City Senior Center

Midwest Blvd & Reno (behind the post office and fire station, just east of the library)
Mondays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Wednesdays, 9:00 – noon
Contact Pete Zachry at 405-501-5390

Senior Center in Moore

501 E Main, Moore
Wednesday, 9:00 am – noon
Thursdays, 9:00 am – noon
Contact Fred Bidwell at 405-464-0290

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Annual dues are \$24. Please make your checks out to OCWC and mail them to:

**John Schaller
16401 Chablis Drive
Edmond, OK 7301**

And finally...

**MERRY CHRISTMAS &
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**