



KAW CARVER

KAW VALLEY WOODCARVERS
549 NW 74TH St., Topeka, KS 66617

NOTE our new mailing address above

Our mission is to provide education to our members and to increase public awareness of the various aspects of woodcarving and its importance in art history.

Issue 505

February 2025

Meetings and carve-outs will be held from **9 am – 3 pm on the 2nd Saturday of every month.**

Our meeting location is the IBEW # 226 1620 NW Gage Blvd Topeka, 66618

Visit us at our web site: www.kawvalleywoodcarvers.org

KVW Club Calendar In accordance with state and local guidelines, KVW activities may be modified.
Please watch your email for updates or call if you have questions.

<u>CARVE OUTS</u>	<u>SEMINARS</u>	<u>MEETINGS</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES</u>
March 8, 2025 - Carve Out ○ and Monthly Meeting	9 am – 3 pm	Club Planning/Carve on your own	
April 12, 2025 - Carve Out ○ and Monthly Meeting	9 am – 3 pm	To Be Determined	

Seminars: All seminars run from 9am until 5pm daily, unless announced otherwise. All questions about seminars should be directed to Joetta Lady at 785-383-8497. Registration forms can be found on the website at www.kawvalleywoodcarvers.org. You **must** submit a registration form and a \$20 deposit before you are registered in a class. Seminars are held in the same location as our meetings.

Carve-out notes: When participating in club carving activities and events we ask that you wear a carving glove. Our insurance will not cover an accident if you are not wearing one.

NOTE: ALL carve-outs and seminars are subject to cancellation by the club or our hosting artist.

As a valued member, your opinions, ideas and input are very important to the club. Participate in a meeting or contact a board or committee member with your thoughts and ideas.

KVW Minutes of February 8, 2025

Those present: Don Whalen, Janet Hopkins, Wilbur Coffee, John Reynolds, Robert Rosas, David Kline, Lori and Kaylee Hammond, Linda Benson by phone and Carol Beck. Meeting was called to order by acting president Don Whalen.

Gary Lady's visitation and service is Monday the 10th of February. He has given this club many hours of work and guidance. We will certainly miss having Gary greeting us each month and all the extra he has put into this club. Thank you Gary. You will be missed. Our prayers are with Joetta and the family.

Membership: 30 members. Wilbur Coffee, Robert Rosas, and Carol Beck paid dues for 2025. **PLEASE PAY YOUR 2025 DUES OF \$20 BY MARCH 31ST** and come to the meetings on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 9:00 A.M.

Treasurer: \$5,655.66 in the treasury. We don't know what action has transpired this past month. Linda needs to be paid for the microphone she purchased for the club. We don't know if the tables have been paid by Mr. Bledsoe, nor do we know about the tool provider.

Sheltered Living Tree: Janet Hopkins brought some sample ornament possibilities for the 2025 tree. Please bring more ideas for ornaments at the March meeting. John Reynolds volunteered to cut out ornament rough outs for us.

Gary was going to see if he could find out what amount of money our Chiefs tree brought at the auction. We may have to check it out yet.

Carve-outs: Carol Beck will do an intaglio project in April, if we can have the wood ready by then. Anyone interested in teaching at a carve-out let us know.

Seminars: John Engler is to have a relief carving seminar in May, but no date is set yet. Sue Bergman would be able to do the bark carving seminar in June or July.

Kaw Valley Woodcarver Show: We are looking at doing a 1 day show this coming year. Wilbur Coffee has typed the show material in an email form to send out to exhibitors. Thank you.

Election of Officers: Linda Benson nominated Janet Hopkins for President and she declined. Janet Hopkins nominated Wilbur Coffee for President and he accepted, Janet also nominated John Reynolds for Vice President and he accepted, Carol Beck will remain as Secretary, and Linda Benson is willing to be Treasurer if Joetta does not want to take the position again, but we will wait to see what she decides. Thank you for those willing to step up and help out as officers or in any capacity to work for this club.

Discussions/Opinions/Suggestions: Because of Gary Lady's death, Kaylee Hammond's 4-H meeting program on woodcarving will be postponed to March 8th at 6:00 P.M. in Meriden, Kansas.

Janet Hopkins ordered a plant in the club's name to be delivered to the funeral home or to Joetta at home. Those of us at the meeting will split the cost.

We do not know at this time whether we will be able to continue meeting at the IBEW venue at the same cost. We still have an electrician as a member, but we don't know what the actual rules are for our being able to meet here. Carol Beck will call IBEW this coming week to see what has been paid and if we can continue meeting here.

Show and Tell: Dave Kline brought two carvings that were natural wood with woodburned outline. One was a sunflower and the other was our club emblem. Nice work.

Next Meeting: March 8, 2025

Motion to adjourn was made by Don Whalen and seconded by Janet Hopkins.

Carol Beck, Secretary

Elected Officers

Acting President -- Gary Lady
Vice President --
Secretary -- Carol Beck
Treasurer -- Joetta Lady

Committee Chairpersons

Annual Show -- Gary and Joetta Lady
Carve Outs -- Members Input
Festival of Trees -- Gary Lady
Group Emails -- Linda Benson
Membership -- Joetta Lady
Newsletter -- Linda Benson
Seminars -- Joetta Lady

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