



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 508

May 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>
May 23 – 25, 2025	9 am –5 pm	Engler Carving Seminar @ \$70 per day	
June 14, 2025 - Carve Out and Monthly Meeting	9 am – 3 pm	SLI Tree Ornaments	
July 12, 2025 - Carve Out and Monthly Meeting	9 am – 3 pm	Carol Beck intaglio carving	

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 May 10, 2025

Those present: Wilbur Coffee, Janet Hopkins, Dave Kline, Linda Benson, Don Whalen, Nelson Pratt, Sue Bergman, Guest Steve Bietau, Lori and Kayley Hammond, Robert Rosas and Carol Beck.

Membership: 22 paid members. **Please pay your membership fee of \$20.00 for a family and come enjoy the happy group of woodcarvers each 2nd Saturday of the month.....9:00 to 10:00 meeting and carving until 3:00 p.m. Some days we are quiet, others we are noisy. Help us out—we would love to see your happy faces with ours.**

Treasurer: No report this month.

Sheltered Living Tree: We worked on ornaments for the tree of 2025.

Carve-outs: Carol Beck will have an intaglio coffee or tea time carving.

Seminars: John Engler is to have a relief carving seminar May 23-25; Van Kelley will have a seminar August 29, 30, 31; and Sue Bergman will have a cottonwood bark carving class on September 27th with a \$75 fee.

Janet Denton Cordell is a possible person for an in-the-round seminar or Hittie dolls. Marilyn Anderson is a possibility for a woodburning seminar.

Kaw Valley Woodcarver Show: Janet Hopkins has volunteered to do pulled pork. Robert Rosas has volunteered to do rice and beans, and we can have cookies, chips, pop and water. It is a one-day show this year on November 22nd.

Discussions/Opinions, Suggestions:

Soap carving at NOTO—Sue Bergman and Kayley Hammond have done soap carving.

Janet Hopkins suggests we call the people signed up to take seminars to avoid any no-shows. We have not had much of this, but it might be good to do the personal touch reminder. Carol Beck volunteered to call for John's class, when we get the list of people signed up.

Website rebuild status: we need pictures of people enjoying carving as well as some actual carvings to add to the website. Linda Benson's son has volunteered to help with the site update. Linda and Wilbur will help. They will also pursue the possibility of signing up on line and also ability to make payment on line.

Facebook page updates—Joetta

Don Whalen is meeting with the activities director at Brewster on the last Wednesday of May to see if anyone is interested in woodcarving at Brewster.

Robert Rosas and John Reynolds will check on setting up a carving table at NOTO at the July 1st Friday Art Walk. They will find out how to register and where we might be located. July might not work because of the 4th being the 1st Friday. But, we will have the necessary information if we need to push back a month.

Next Meeting: June 14, 2025

Motion to adjourn was made by Janet Hopkins and seconded by Carol Beck.

Carol Beck, Secretary

Elected Officers

President -- Wilbur Coffee
Vice President -- John Reynolds
Secretary -- Carol Beck
Treasurer -- Joetta Lady

Committee Chairpersons

Annual Show -- Wilbur Coffee
Carve Outs -- Members Input
Festival of Trees -- John Reynolds
Group Emails -- Linda Benson
Membership -- Linda Benson
Newsletter -- Linda Benson
Seminars -- Joetta Lady/Wilbur Coffee

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