

KAW CARVER

KAW VALLEY WOODCARVERS,
P.O. Box 4384,
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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.

Monthly meetings are from 2-4 pm at Christ Lutheran Church, 3509 SW Burlingame Road, in Topeka. Visit us at our web site: www.kawvalleywoodcarvers.org

Kaw Valley Woodcarvers is a 501 C-3 tax exempt organization. Monetary donations are tax deductible. Check with any board member for details for details and for a receipt for you records.

KVW Club Calendar

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| Nov. 9 & 11—Carve out | Work on Show Projects |
| Nov. 12—Monthly meeting | 2-4 pm. Election of officers for 2018. Vote on Amendment to Bylaws and to adopt Non-discrimination policy. See below. Refreshments—Katrina Meredith and Evelyn Atwood. Carlan will continue the face carving program. |
| Nov. 16-17—Seminar | Painting w/John Engler. \$65 per day. <u>FULL</u> |
| Nov. 18-19—Annual Show | |
| Dec. 9—Holiday Party | Tentative. |
| Dec. 14 & 16—Carve out | Christmas Nativity Ornament set or Christmas wreath ornament (choice). Cost approx.. 3 |
| Jan. 12-13—Seminar | Flat Plane Carving w/Carlan Honaker. \$100 (includes the blank) |
| Jan. 14—Monthly meeting | |
| Jan. 18 & 20—Carve out | TBA |

Reminder: Your annual membership expires Dec. 31. You can pay 2018 dues at any time. See Jim and/or Carol Beck.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws:

Currently the bylaws require the Board of Directors to meet monthly. The Board has approved an amendment that would change the wording to read "The Board of Directors will be required to meet a minimum of 6 times per calendar year" The club membership will vote on this amendment at the November monthly meeting.

Proposed KVV Non-Discrimination Statement:

Kaw Valley Woodcarvers is an equal opportunity organization committed to the principle of equal opportunity in education and participation for all. This organization does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, age, national origin, or disability in admissions policies, educational opportunities, programs, and activities. Respect for the dignity and worth of others are the guiding principles for our relations with each other.

Seminars: David Butts and Carlan Honaker are finalizing the seminar calendar for 2018 and it will be available at the show in November.

All seminars run from 9am until 5pm daily, unless announced otherwise. All questions about seminars should be directed to Carlan Honaker at 785-640-8130 or carlan@honakercpa.com.

A complete listing of Kaw Valley Woodcarvers seminars along with registration forms can be found on the club website www.kawvalleywoodcarvers.org _

Remember you must submit a registration form **and** a \$20 deposit before you are actually registered in a class. Just saying you are coming does not count!!

Carve-out notes: If you have any suggestions or want to volunteer to teach a project, please talk with Shirley.

Reminder: 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.

KVV Member meeting, Oct. 8, 2017

Membership - Jim & Carol reminded us that Email and address updates are needed. We have 83 members **!!! Dues are Due !!!** Welcometo Larry Hanson of Topeka.

Treasurer – Joetta reports \$ xxx in the account.

Christmas Tree – Evelyn has asked everyone who has ornaments to turn them in ASAP please. The show is only weeks away now

Carve Outs – Shirley updated us Oct 12 & 14, Finish Ornaments / work on your own pieces; Nov 09 & 11, Finish Show Projects or your own pieces; Dec 14 & 16, Mike will share 4 styles of Nativity ornaments (approx. \$ 3.00 for the set of 4)

Seminars – Carlan shared what they have so far..... Stu Martin's class has been cancelled

Jan ?? 2018 Flat Plane Carving	Carlan Honaker	
Mar. 15-16, 2018	Flowers and the basket	Charlie Phillips
Apr. 14-15, 2018	Pyrography project	Jo Schwartz
May 4-6, 2018	Relief Carving	John Engler
Aug. 4-5, 2018	Stylized	Sue Bergman
Sept 14-16, 2018	Wildlife	Debbie Edwards
Nov.15-16, 2018	Painting	John Engler

***** Be sure to sign up early for Seminars. Some fill quickly. Some run the risk of cancellation if we do not have enough participants to make it worthwhile to our guest carver.*****

Extra Seminar outside the KVV Club Basswood Santas w/Marty Dolphens, Dec. 2 & 3, 2017. \$ 80 plus blank There are 2 different blanks \$10or \$25. Please contact Joan Smith at 913-908-8326 or joan@tbfcарving.com if you are interested in attending. This Seminar will be hosted by Richard & Joan.

Show – Katrina reported everything is moving along on schedule. We need Silent Auction Items! If you have anything to donate, please turn it in to Mike Keil early as possible. He needs to know what is being donated so he can set-up for the silent auction as well as set up his own table. We still have 6 tables available. Don't be shy! Raffle Letters were handed out to all present. Remaining letters were mailed. Please consider assisting by purchasing the enclosed Raffle Tickets. This is one of the ways we can all assist in supporting the club. Please pick up a few of our show signs at the November meeting. Consider placing a yard sign in family / friends yards. Help to advertise our upcoming show. The signs are designed to be used for several years.

Brewster Place – Mike & Joan shared that the Santa carving went well. The October carving activity will be the last with Brewster until January 2018.

BY LAW PROPOSALS Board Meetings currently are 1 per month. Proposal is to reduce the minimum number of required board meetings to 6 per year. Additional meetings can still be called if / when items come up to discuss. Non Discrimination Statement has been proposed to be added to the bylaws. Darrel read the Statement Both of these items will be voted on at the November Member meeting. (Both are printed above in this newsletter)

OTHER

Mike made a motion to have the White Elephant Exchange and Potluck Dinner for our Christmas meeting. Shirley seconded that motion and the motion passed. The event is tentatively set for Dec. 09, 2017 from 2 – 4 pm. Linda Benson is overseeing the event again. David Butts is checking to be sure the church will be available.

Demonstrations -- Mike sent a signup sheet around for Mother Earth News Fair at the Expo on Oct. 21 & 22, 2017. Darla will represent us at the Onaga Event set for Oct. 14, 2017. Thanks again to Linda for coordinating the KVV Demo at Cider Days.

Upcoming Events -- Nov. 9 & 11, Carve Out is Open carving; Nov. 12, Monthly meeting (By Law Changes & Officer Elections); Nov. 16-17, Engler Painting Seminar, Nov. 18 – 19, Annual Show

Show & Tell -- Christmas Town Post Office or School Bldg., Carol Beck; 3 Indian Busts, Mike Keil; Otter on Driftwood & Owl on Drift, Joan Smith; Boy Scout (from latest WCI Mag.), Larry Hanson; Small Basket (Charli Phillips style), David Butts; 4 Flat Plane Men (Carved by Gunnerson), Carlan Honaker

Program --Carlan shared the setting up and carving a face in a block of wood.

Thank you to Jim Girard & Gary & Joetta Lady for the refreshments

Mary Anna passed around the sign-up sheet for monthly refreshments

Other Items of Interest -- Mike Keil shared information on the 24th Annual Gallery Walk in the Country Sunday, October 15th where Mike will be one of the featured artists for the day

KVW Board Meeting Oct. 25, 2017

Present: Mike Keil; Katrina Meredith; Darrel Kellerman; Sue Bergman; Shirley Sherretts; Joetta Lady; Jim and Carol Beck; Evelyn Atwood

Membership: 82 current members. Thirteen members have paid dues for 2018.

Treasurer: Expenses for this month that were paid refund for cancelled classes; for newsletter; for Cider Days; ad for show for Capital Journal; and ink for printer. There was a deposit of \$xxx giving us a balance of \$xxx. Discussed cash/change for show and okayed having petty cash to have available at meetings to make change if someone wants to make payments.

SLI Christmas Tree: The topper is painted and on tree. Ornaments are accounted for.

Carve Outs: Carve Outs for next year are planned and will be listed on the 2018 calendar.

Seminars: John Engler painting class is full.

Woodcarvers' Show: The sign for outside the Ramada will cost \$75. Approved by board. Katrina will check if we can have the sign out front a week before the show.

Katrina negotiated the price for rooms for woodcarving guests for \$74 per night. Guests should call and make reservations directly to the Topeka Ramada to get this price.

The ribbons and signs are ready for the show. Discussed the memorial table and we will have a sign at the show for our members that passed this year (Everett Cutsinger and Frank Hoge). Discussed WIBW and the newspaper interview. They changed how they do the newspaper interviews and the feature articles are now selected by a committee so they will contact us if we are chosen for an interview. Discussed silent auction items. If you are donating an item please let Mike Keil know so he can prepare the bid sheets and table ahead of time. Discussed that the yard signs to advertise the show will be available at the meeting.

There are 7 tables available if you are wanting a table for the show-please let Katrina know!

Brewster Place: The carving at Brewster place will resume in January.

November Meeting: Members will vote on the proposed change to the bylaws at the November meeting and the proposed non-discrimination statement/policy. For the November program Carlan will continue teaching carving faces. Bring your tools/knife.

The annual election of officers will be held at the November meeting. We are needing a membership chair and president-elect candidate.

Discussed Mother Earth News Fair. We will decide on whether to do this again after the first of the year. Discussion held on Cider Days and decided we will not participate in Cider Days next year.

Trails Gallery 109 Kansas Avenue would like us to demonstrate woodcarving next spring. Mike will follow up with this.

Christmas Gathering/party: December 9th at the church. Potluck and White Elephant Gift Exchange. We will have door prizes also. Still waiting final confirmation if the church is available.

Calendar: The calendar for 2018 was discussed and approved.

Other Items of Interest

If anyone has any local and/or regional art, woodcarving, or woodworking related events that club members might find of interest, email the information to mkeil87859@hotmail.com or give me a printed sheet with the details at the monthly meeting.

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Gretna Woodcarvers Retreat, Gretna , Nebraska. Feb. 8-11, 2018. 308-236-3307 or jrobb3@hotmail.com.

Kansas City Woodcarvers/Elegance in Wood Show is Mar. 16-17, 2018. kcwoodworkersguild.org.

8th Annual Ozarks Woodcarving Seminar, Springfield, Mo. Mar. 19-23, 2018.

Ozarkswoodcarvingseminar.com or call John Engler at 417-209-6842.

Other:

For more than thirty years, the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library has hosted an art competition for three-dimensional arts and crafts. The ***Topeka Competition 33*** exhibit will be open **November 10, 2017 – January 7, 2018.**
