

## **Southwest Woodcarvers Association**

### **March 10, 2018 Announcements**

Bill Mize welcomed our visitors, Dean Tvedt and Terry Butterwick.

Susan Kleismit gave the Health and Welfare report. She has sent cards to Feliza Williams, Bill Mize and Bob Ratterman this month.

Bill reported on the success of the Desert Woodcarving Show in February and thanked Bob Sorensen for taking the lead in recruiting our members to volunteer to help during the show. Bob then thanked those who worked the show: Joan Eerkes judged Novice, Dave Eerkes, Bob Ratterman, Mark Erickson, Barb Sorensen, Bill Mize, Susan Kleismit, Judeen Berry, Sally Jones, Jack and Michalyn Erickson and Rich Yeager all helped at the ticket sales, door, close out of show and pick up of exhibits, and the silent auction.

Joan Eerkes reminded all of us of the picnic scheduled March 24 at their home. Maps are on the front desk. Bring your own meat to grill for lunch and a dish to share. Also, if you have them, bring lawn chairs. Styrofoam plates and plastic utensils will be provided. There will be breakfast starting at 8 a.m., for anybody who would like to come early. Jim Kersten and some of his musical friends will provide some background entertainment, which should be good, informal fun.

Bill announced our new Club Ambassador is Jack Erickson. He will be setting up some dates for our members to visit other carving groups. Expect further information throughout the year. If you have suggestions, invitations, etc., please contact him.

Brad Caryl is our new Webmaster and is working to build the new website and transition to it. We will contact you just as soon as it is up and running, and in the meantime, please use the current one. Feliza will be assisting as needed.

Bob Sorensen presented Years of Service pins to many of our carving friends, as follows:

35 years Rob Arnberger and Jim Thompson

30 years Doug Raine

25 years Vince Ferrari

15 years Mark Erickson, Bill Milligan, Ralph Terry and Susan Kleismit

10 years Barb Sorensen, Doris Trinko

5 years David and Jill Clements, Mike Kowalski, Lupe Salaz, Kay Slocum, Kira, John, Jo and Bill Mize

Bill reported that we still need a coffee person for July and September. That got changed to August and September. If nobody signs up for those meetings, we will not have coffee. There has been a very good response to the lunch RSVPs for today. Thank you, Lupe and Patty, for bring the sandwiches! And thank you, Betty for all the other goodies to go with the subs! Maybe this will start a trend of folks offering to coordinate lunch orders on a per meeting basis.

We also still need another person to serve on the board of directors. Call Bill to indicate your interest.

Thank you, Doug Raine and Dave Myers, for teaching your classes today.

The membership voted to grant Life Membership to Jack Yancick.

Doris Trinko is hosting open carving this Thursday at her studio. All are welcome.

Jerry Berg reported that it is time to turn in your blocks for the friendship cane we are making. Also, it is time to turn in the Eagle Head canes for completion and final finish on staffs. Please turn the heads and staffs in as soon as you can.

#### Show and Tell:

Bob Sorensen	Santa in Bark and Gnome	Basswood, acrylic
Doris Trinko	Flowers plaque	Wood burned, pencil
Fred Hancock	Bark House and Cypress Knee	
Rob Arnberger	2 Birds, Caricature	
Jerry Berg	cowboy, cowboy and horse	Basswood, painted
Karen Berg	Dog, Raccoon and Chipmunk	Basswood, painted
Judith Thomason	Red Cowboy Santa, Meerkat	Basswood
Dick Minch	Bark Carving with Clock	Deft finish
Jeff Porter	Holly Santa, Old Man, Grapeleaf Spirit	Basswood, Deft Spirit is oil & thinner finish
Jo Mize	Chip carved gorilla	Basswood
	Turned lidded box	Maple, (friction fit)
Joan Eerkes	Snow Leopard	Basswood, acrylic

Bill Mize

Turned Bowl

Basswood

50/50 Winner

Bob Sorensen

Raffle Winners:

Basswood (SWA)

Jerry Berg

Cane Staff (Peggy Schroeder) Jim Thompson

Sharpener (SWA)

Judith Thomason'

Caliper (SWA)

Joan Eerkes

Tool Bag (SWA)

Pat Boleman

Flex Cut Tools (SWA/Dewey)

Rich Yeager

Bark (Jack Erickson)

Doris Trinko

Respectfully submitted,

Michalyn Erickson, Sec'y