

# ***Monthly Meeting Minutes for Flickertail Woodcarvers***

***March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022***

**Call to Order** by President Becky Barnes

Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022

13 Members present

**Secretary's Report** (Becky Barnes and Eric Gaasland for Diane Lehman Turck)

Last month's minutes approved.



**Treasurer's Report** (Warren Schlecht)

\$7105.57 in account with all bills paid

## **Committee Reports**

**Project:** thank you to Ed Ryen for his project on editing photographs. He had a useful handout and did a presentation as well on jpg and raw imaging.

**Membership** (Doug Smith): we're sitting at around 60 members, several of whom haven't paid their 2022 dues \*yet\*, but who probably will. Doug is going to phone a several people to see if they are still interested.

**Programs** (Dale Heglund): Spring class will be taught by Dennis Houle, with the participants each completing 2 or 3 of four projects including a gunstock war club, a war club, a horse dancing stick and a quirt. The projects will include cultural lessons. Anyone with a special piece of wood is encouraged to bring it. The class will be held on Friday, May 6 to Sunday, May 8 at Dale and Jen's home. Friday and Saturday the schedule will be from 10-4, and Sunday from 10-2. Class size will be limited to 12 students each paying \$50. The remainder of the cost is covered by a grant.

For the Annual Fall Woodcarving Show, Dale has arranged for Eric G to teach a folk style Dala horse as the weekend session. And Becky W to do the non-carving class instructing students in making a whisk broom one day, and a regular broom the next. Dale is still looking to acquire a Master Carver for the Friday-Sunday seminar.

**Publicity & Property** (Becky Weisgerber): Becky has a new supply of business cards with information regarding Flickertail Woodcarvers on the front. On the back is the photo of an artifact such as spoons or Dala horses, or the act of carving highlighting things like a glove or a chainsaw.

**Library** (Todd Englestad): nothing new

**Historian** (Clara Yonker): NA

**Facebook** (Eric Gaasland, Dale Heglund, Becky Barnes): up to date. We are still receiving messages and Facebook visitations.

**Website** (Becky Barnes): The Fargo show (April 29-30 and May 1), and the Wahpeton Woodcarving Weekend (June 24-26) have been placed on the website.

## **Old Business**

**Library Display** (Bob Pedigo): The display at the library will run from August 1-October 31. The theme is class projects. Past classes, beginners' carvings-anything that's done or in the process, to show a variety of subjects and skills. We will have a limit of 5 items per class session, so that more recent classes don't dominate. Bob will collect the carvings in June and July.

The timing will encompass the Annual Fall Show and provide welcome publicity for it.

**Bismarck State College Beginning Woodcarving Class:** (Becky B) Todd and Eric assisted at the first class. The dynamics of the students is interesting. Ten of 12 registered showed up. One is younger than Becky, and they have a range of experience. Only one bandage was needed and the people had fun learning.

Instructors wishing to assist, please come to Bismarck State Campus, Werner Hall, room 140, March 17, from 6-8pm; all are welcome. A BIG THANK YOU to Joe Jewett who donated wood to be used for project blanks!

## **New Business**

**July 30:** Blue Grass goes Pink at Cross Ranch State Park. It would be good to have a table set up. This is a fundraiser for the Cancer Center.

**Website focus:** Becky B borrowed an idea from the Music Makers Website. They feature a person, from their group, every month, saying something about themselves. So, for us it would be - how long they've been carving, what they like best – that sort of information - just an introduction, a short personal interest story. Becky B started with Clara and would like to do it with others.

**Suggestion to add a section on email:** for members to be able to sell their carvings. The public would be able to use email to purchase items for sale.

## **Show and Tell:**

Warren had his representations of Johnny Reb and Billy Yank with him.

Becky B had an intarsia owl. She also had an intarsia ox and tiger. The ox was last year's representative animal in the Asian calendar, and the tiger is this year's. She carved them in a Pictish style.

Eric T brought a lovely Love Spoon based on Bob P's class.

**Meeting was adjourned.**