



MAY 2009

## Special Board Meeting to discuss meals at the meetings.

By Secretary Bob Sorensen

President Jack Yancick called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m. All of the officers and board members were present so we had a quorum. Jack provided some background on the lunch situation for our meetings. Not enough members are signing up for lunch and chef Paul has indicated that he will not make meals for only 15 people. The price for a meal is \$10.93 with the club picking up the remaining \$.93. The price of the meal includes tax and 18% gratuity.

Starting next month [May] we will not be served a meal and we all will have to go to the restaurant. Jack asked for suggestions and we all agreed that every one that wants to eat at the restaurant will have to go in two separate shifts. Jack will make the announcement at the May meeting.

Other discussion:

- **Foothills Mall November Show** - Jack Erickson will handle the carving contest. Chuck Trinko will handle table requests.
- **Christmas Party** - Need volunteers for setting up. The board approved purchasing some entertainment and Bob Sorensen volunteered to check this out and present findings at a future meeting.

- **Membership concerns** - We are down to 77 members compared to a norm of approx. 100. Jim Thompson gave out names of some of last years members that might just need a reminder.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

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## April 11, 2009 Meeting Notes

By Secretary Bob Sorensen

Meeting was called to order by President Jack Yancick at 12:30 p.m. Jack welcomed all members, guests and 4 new members. We welcome new members:

**Jan Cunningham      John Harris**  
**Dick Coate              Wayne Newman**

Jack reported on the changes to the meeting lunches. Starting in May we will NOT be served lunch in the meeting room. We will have a system that splits up our group in half and we will go to the restaurant in two separate shifts ½ hour apart. So you do not have to sign up ahead of time.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April , **Trish Jennings, Jim Thompson, Jack Yancick and Bob Sorensen** will meet at the V.A. Hospital to present all of the carved canes to some disabled vets. There will be some kind of media coverage. After the presentation, we will personalize each cane by woodburning the vet's name on the cane.

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Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month starting at 9:00 AM:

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Board meetings are held four times a year in February, May, August and November. The Board members will determine the exact days each month and they will be posted in the Newsletter. Any member can attend a Board meeting although they cannot vote.

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Word of the month is "retrograde", which means to go backwards, decline or deteriorate. Sound like some of our meetings!

**Nick Acordino** has recovered from a spell that left him quite incapacitated. We are all thankful for that, and hope that he continues to improve.

The Foothills Mall Show is coming up on the first weekend of November. Not too soon to start a new blue ribbon carving. The club will be carving pumpkins again at the Foothills Mall during the week before Halloween.

Christmas Party - Need some volunteers to help set up etc. The board approved to pay for some entertainment. I volunteered to set this up.

**Rob Arnberger** has the new list of members and will upgrade our roster.

**Hap Chandler** brought in his sharpening system and put on a program on "how to sharpen carving tools" THANKS HAP!

**Free Lunch** was won by **Marie Roberts**

**50/50** was won by **Jan Cunningham**

**Raffle**

<u>Item</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>Winner</u>
Gouge set	SWA	John Harris
Knife	SWA	Tom Terrell
Book on golfers	SWA	Chuck Hutler
Book on folk figures	SWA	Tom Terrell
Magnifier	Sorensen	Chuck Hutler
Basswood cutouts	Rushlo	Marie Roberts
Basswood cutouts	Rushlo	Jack Erickson
Buffing compound	Rushlo	Michalyn Erickson

## Show and Tell

<u>Carver</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Wood/finish</u>
Chuck Hutler	Belt Buckle	Elk horn button
Michalyn Erickson	Chip carved eggs	Basswood
Dave Myers	Wood Spirit	Bark
Patty Finch	Woodburned spirit	Bark
Patty & Larry Finch	Sunflower relief	Alder/linseed oil and woodburned
Larry Finch	Fisherman & Mule	Basswood/linseed
Joe Presley	Bark house	Bark
Bob Sorensen	Profile Granddaughter	Basswood/wax
Dave McVey	Resurrection relief	Basswood/wax/oil
Vern Preator	5 relief carvings	Basswood/oil
Tom Nissen	2 kachinas & 2 frogs	Basswood & Butternut
Carl Zehner	Face Egg	Bark Basswood
Rob Arnberger	Raven	Tupelo/ acrylics

Congratulations to all and thanks for showing your wonderful carvings! We really have a lot of talented carvers. This club has not RETROGRADED.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15p.m.

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## EDITOR'S REPORT

The program for May's meeting will be "Going to the Dogs" Jim Thompson will be leading a class in carving a dog. Patterns and cut-outs will be available for \$1.50. If you also want a cut-out for a smaller dog. It will be 50 cents extra. (The most fun you can have for \$2.00) We will start at 9 a.m. and hopefully will finish one before the meeting is over. A friend by the name of Bud Langlois who passed away many years ago was a pro at carving miniture dogs. He sold all he could carve. These dogs will be in the style that Bud used to carve at all our shows.

Marie Roberts won the free lunch at the last meeting and donated the money back to the club. Thanks Marie. Hap Chandler also donated his free lunch back to the

club. Thanks Hap. Thanks to Hap for giving a class on tool sharpening and how he makes a lot of his knives. It was very informative.

We got four new members at the last meeting and hopefully we will get more from being at the Pima County Fair. We are sorry to be losing a few members from non-payment of dues. Their names will be removed from the membership list this month.

**HEALTH & WELFARE**-- At last report **Nick Accordino** was doing much better.

I received dues and a note from **Neil Everingham**. Neil moved to Tenn. He is an Excellent carver of fur, fish and fowl. Neil always had a bunch of carved animals. If you would like to keep in contact will Neil his address is:

Neil Everingham, 3198 Sea Ray Lane, Lakeland, TN 38002 phone 901-373-4651. He will be glad to hear from you.

We received a phone call from Allen Rauchwerger, son-in-law of **Dan Masterson**...a member of the club. Allen informed us that Dan passed away and services were held for him in Green Valley on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Carvers, make those chip fly!  
Our club leader charged,  
But explained not why,  
Nor purpose enlarged.  
No need, for woodcarvers, we  
Grasped tight our knives  
And cut into our blanks the pattern to free  
As if we were carving to save our own lives.  
Some with the left hand, most with their right  
We whittled like mad, this way and that  
So chips flew heavy and chips took flight  
Small ones and large, and mostly white.  
Curly chips, chunky chips both flew fast,  
Flat chips sailed far far overhead  
Like breeze-blown jib sails were cast,  
Soon spotted and spattered with red.  
At hour's end the whistle shrill  
Called us to stop and sweep.

*- Al Jensen*