

#### 2015 Officers

Directors:

Jim Milton Judging Schedule

January through October all judging categories will be OPEN November.....Christmas Ornaments December.....Carver-of-the-year

**Refreshment Nights** 

February June September December

### **EOWA Monthly Meeting**

Second Monday of the month, 7-9 PM Central Center 1028 E. Sixth St. • Phone 596-1444

### **Open Night Carve-Ins**

Every Thursday 5:30-8 PM No Fee Central Center 1028 E. Sixth St. • Phone 596-1444 Visitors are welcome at all meetings and carveins.

# Dues

\$30 yearly, due in July. Application, change of address and renewal form on last page.

Send to: EOWA, George Welliver 543 S. 120th E. Ave Tulsa, OK 74128 Phone 918-949-6453 Email: ghw37@yahoo.com

#### Web address: www.eowa.us Facebook address: www.facebook.com/groups/ EasternOklaWoodcarversAssoc/

Don't forget that your annual membership is due in July and that it is \$30 per family. Contact George Welliver at 918-949-6453 or mail in the handy renewal form on the last page of the newsletter.

To submit items for the newsletter send to Rusty Johnson at: <u>ytsurjohnson@aol.com</u>

Please check with George Welliver to see if your annual dues are paid up. They were due in July.

# **December 14 Meeting:**

The December meeting will be the Christmas party and the voting for Carver-of-the-Year. Carvers eligible by winning the monthly judging are: January-Bill Payne, February-Virgil Smyth, March-Bob Block, April-no judging, May-no judging, June-Lori Hamilton, July-Betty Zumwalt, August-Al Cross, September-Paul Wee, October-no judging. Carvers are not required to bring the same carving that won the monthly judging. Good Luck!

The Christmas party will involve a gift exchange (\$20 maximum, carved or hand-made items are good, too) and Refreshments. Members are encouraged to bring a treat to share.

The club collected 103 ornaments to donate to Blue Star Mothers Janet Veil, Peggy Hardy and Dawn Adams for distribution to armed service members overseas.

Winners of the ornament judging were:

Decorative group– 1. Al Cross, 2. Laurie Ribitzki, 3. Mike Stephenson Santa group– 1. Bob Block, 2. Laurie Ribitzki, 3. Lori Hamilton, 4. Betty Zumwalt/Laurie Ribitzki, 5. Bob Branham Religious– 1. Laurie Ribitzki, 2. Lori Hamilton, 3. (tie) Laurie Ribitzki, Betty Zumwalt and BettyZ/LaurieR





Winners: Decorative (above), Santas (above right) and Religious (right).

More ornaments below and on following pages.







FYI: EOWA has received nonprofit status finally. What does this mean? The most common type of tax-exempt nonprofit organization falls under category 501(c)(3), whereby a nonprofit organization is exempt from federal income tax if its activities have the following purposes: charitable, religious, educational, scientific, literary, testing for public safety, fostering amateur sports competition, or preventing cruelty to children or animals. We can accept donations, be included in wills and bequests. We cannot support political activities or candidates.

New Vice President Laurie Ribitzki has an EOWA Wish List. As the needs change from month to month, the list changes. To start 2016, we were talking about making up 8-10 beginner tool kits to take to community carving demos, for the new visitors on Thursday night carveins, and maybe as an outreach to veterans groups like the Coffee Bunker. So December's Wish List includes: 8-10 canvas bags from Harbor Freight 8-10 leather strops

Also, I would like to be able to offset the expense of our out of town guest speaker's gasoline cost by giving them \$10 QuikTrip gas cards. So, if that is agreeable with the club, that could be on the Wish list.

Finally, any ideas or program requests will be appreciated. Thanks, Laurie Ribitzki. 918-243-5515



It is sort of silly to mention that this newsletter may be found on the EOWA web site since if you are reading this you have the newsletter in hand or on screen. But, note that the newsletters will be archived there so past editions will be available for reference. The site url is: <u>www.eowa.us</u> If you are on Facebook you should 'Like' us for any breaking information. The address is: www.facebook.com/groups/FasternOklaWoodcarversAssoc/ or go

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### Minutes of the November meeting:

Pledge: Lori Hamilton Jackpot: Bob Branham

Door prize: Mike Stephenson

New members: Mort McKay and James Williams Ken Scrivner and Flo Hancock participated in the Oklahoma Arts Council Seminar and recommended the club apply for a grant to teach woodcarving to returning veterans.

The Show Committee is still working on a date for the show. There is a conflict with the venue that needs to be resolved.

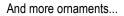
Stan Townsend has two walnut plaques belonging to the club and would like to have a place to show them off besides his garage. Anyone?

New Officers for 2016 are: president - Lori Hamilton, vice president - Laurie Ribitzki, treasurer - George Welliver, secretary - Carol Alley (if she wants it), librarian Dee Baxter.

Show and Tell: Alyce Amend brought a turtle, Stan Townsend a cherry bowl, Betty Zumwalt a turned box

Send hospitality items to Lori Hamilton, 918-995-0940; o2bcrvng@gmail.com

> Show and Tell Alyce Amend's turtle which she would like to know what it is carved from. Top and bottom views.









## Show and Tell

Betty Zumwalt's turned box with lid which she did for Beads of Courage awards. She has turned 12 boxes which are given to children who have health issues (organ transplants, cancer, etc.). The children use them to store their "courage" beads.





Show and Tell Stan Townsend's cherry bowl which was turned while still "wet."

#### Web sites of Interest

The club Web site is on line. The url is <u>www.eowa.us</u> Soon to be available on the site are show registration forms, back issues of the newsletter, club by-laws, etc.

The Eagle Cane Project web site has been returned to Jack Nitz until computer program incompatibilities can be corrected. The address for the site is: www.eaglecane.com. EOWA Meetings and Carve-ins are at the CENTRAL CENTER 1028 E. Sixth Street 918-596-1444

Our meetings have returned to the Central Center where we previously met for many years. We will meet in the meeting rooms at the east end of the building just across the hall from where the Thursday night carve-ins are held. If you are not familiar with the location of the Center, it is near downtown, about 3 blocks west of Peoria on 6th Street, just east of the Inner Dispersal Loop (see map at right).



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Provider of the wood for the carving contest at the EOWA Annual Show Rod Wilcox W4115 Frog Creek Road Minong, WI 54859 715-466-2283 fcsawmill@centurytel.net Reminder: There is a weekly carve-in at the downtown Central Center, 1028 E. Sixth St., from 5:30-8:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Bring a project to carve and discuss tips and techniques with the other carvers. Also knitting and wood burning might break out! Membership renewals are due in July. Please renew using the form above. Contact George Welliver if you have a question.

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