



Our Guild meets the second Thursday of each month all year round at 6:00 P.M. at the Woodcraft located at the Overland Park Shopping Center at :

7005 West Overland Road, Boise ID 83709 (208) 338-1190.

## Next meeting of the Guild

6:00 pm, May 10, 2018

Business meeting about 8 pm

You will find *May's Guild Project* in this issue. It is being done by Eric Owens. Eric has reached another milestone in his carving career by being published in the coming issue of Woodcarving Illustrated. Due to technical difficulties on the part of the editor we are not able to show you the article at this time. However, we will solve that problem and have it for you in the next issue of the IWG News. In the meantime come on Thursday night a learn from the master himself, he may even show you the article, if you ask nicely.

## 5-2018 President's Message

We appreciate the support of the membership as we have implemented the change in meeting times and worked to give the Idaho Woodcarvers Guild and the art of woodcarving greater public exposure. I would also like to thank each of you for the support I have received over the past two years while serving as president of the Guild. It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with the membership and the board of this outstanding organization.

**Remember that the starting time for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday club meeting has moved to 6 p.m. and begins with the introduction of the project.** The business portion of the meeting will be during the last half hour from 8-8:30 p.m. The extra half hour at the beginning and the opportunity for members to continue work on the project during the business portion of the meeting will add a full hour of carving time to our club meetings. Those who cannot make it by 6 p.m. will receive instruction when they arrive and will still enjoy some additional carving time during the business meeting. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month there will be additional time dedicated to the monthly project. Instructors will make it a point to be present to help members continue work on their project during the regular open carving period from 6:30-8 p.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday. The combination of these two measures will allow approximately 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours of guided carving on the club projects each month.

### **Elections**

The annual elections for the Guild will be held at the May meeting. The nominating committee, headed by Trustee Eric Owens, will have a proposed slate of candidates for the club offices, but this does not preclude other nominations. Let Eric know if you wish to be a candidate or nominate someone.

### **Congratulations to Larry Crist and Ted Smith**

Club members Larry Crist and Ted Smith won honors at the April 2018 Ward World Wildfowl Carving Competition in Maryland. We will have Larry give us a report on the competition and look forward to seeing his ribbon-winning black-necked stilt. Ted took top honors with his exquisite miniatures in the "cocktail class" along with ribbons for his other entries.

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## Carving Demonstrations

Don Brigham, Eric Owens, Thekla Owens and myself spent April 28 representing the club at the MK Nature Center Spring Wildlife celebration. Lots of interested people stopped by to watch.

Another opportunity will come with the [June 9-10 World Village Festival](#). This is the 4<sup>th</sup> annual festival at the footsteps of the Capitol. The festival is a free, three-day event that attempts to represent as many cultural communities as possible who reside in the Treasure Valley. The invitation to our Guild was extended by the Idaho Commission on the Arts. We can set up a booth from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. either or both days. Artists who participate pay nothing unless they sell their work at the event, in which case 30% would go to the organizers. We have two more invitations for demonstrations in the coming months.

Doug

# Introduction To Face Carving, Club Project Eric Owens, This Thursday 6pm



## Minutes of April 12 IWG Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Idaho Woodcarvers Guild began at 6 p.m. with a guided project on carving hands led by Larry Crist with assistance from Eric Owens following introduction of guests and newcomers. Work on the carving project continued while Eric introduced the evening's door prize event at 7:40 p.m. Nine winners took home tools, books and other items. Beck Beus led the show and tell time featuring two of his bark carved houses and a coke bottle Santa by Don Brigham.

Carving of the hands continued during the remaining business portion of the meeting, which included:

1. A treasurer's report submitted by Jim Jameson showing that the club continues to have a healthy bank balance after show expenses and wood purchases for club projects.
2. A report on the Idaho Artistry in Wood Show which noted strong publicity, record attendance and wide participation. Don Brigham, supported by Eric Owens recommended to the board an incentive plan including possible monetary awards for participants in next year's show who placed entries in at least four divisions. The recommendation was received with positive support for further discussion and development by the board. Larry noted that the carvers are in charge of the 2019 show and recommended that the club volunteer to take charge of specific aspects of the show, including production of hang tags and handbills, the banquet and the silent and banquet auctions. There was a positive response to the proposal, which will allow the club representatives on the IAW Show Committee to offer to take on those responsibilities.

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3. A discussion on how best to meet the wood needs for club projects. The Oregon supplier we have relied on over the past year is going out of business. A motion was passed to give Larry Crist authority to purchase up to \$300 worth of his top quality wood to see us through this year, with a plan to look at purchasing wood from a Utah vendor at next year's IAW show.

4. Announcement of multiple coming events where we have been invited to set up displays and provide demonstrations. These include:

- April 28 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. MK Nature Center Spring Wildlife Event. Confirmed participants: Eric and Thekla Owens, Don Brigham, Doug Rose. Jane Eubanks and Dean Shaw will advise if they will be able to participate.

- June 9, 10 World Village Festival in front of the Capitol. 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Norm Sullivan and Doug Rose available.

- August 17-25 Western Idaho Fair. Sign up sheet will be available at future club meetings.

- October Hidden Springs Fair invitation. Decision will be made later on whether to participate.

5. Elections for board positions will be held at the May 10 club meeting. Nominations have been made for the positions of president and treasurer and two of the trustees will continue. Nominations are needed for the positions of vice president and secretary and one trustee.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.