



OCWC News

Oklahoma City Woodcarvers Club

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2020 Officers	
President	Evan Vinson
Vice President	Keith Newark
Secretary	Dan Nealey
Treasurer	John Amicon

NO Christmas dinner this year.

NEXT MEETING

When: 7:00 PM Tuesday, December 22

Topic: Evan Vinson

Where: *In the comfort of your home! Please join us for our first Zoom meeting. Use you Smart Phone or Computer with camera.*

To Join Zoom Meeting click on the following link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76242667597?pwd=azBUOGZHUDY3WDJXRWRsaW4ycWx6UT09>

NOTE: The meeting will not be open until just before 7:00pm Dec 22.

You may need the Meeting ID: 762 4266 7597

You WILL NEED THE Passcode: 97531

AT OUR LAST MEETING...

Only three members made it to last month's meeting, so it didn't last very long. While we were there, Evan Vinson shared a few things that he brought for show-and-tell.



This is a horse that he has been working on.



Here are a pair of knives that Evan made with Damascus steel blades. The Christmas gnome pictured here is an example of the project that Evan and Tom Copeland have been teaching to their beginning woodcarving class for disabled veterans.



Although Fred Self hasn't been attending carve-ins or meetings for a while, he has been busy. Pictured here is one of his latest creations.

We hope that all of our fellow carvers have been busy creating new works to share with the rest of us. Our upcoming Zoom meeting will be an ideal time to show off some of your carvings.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election was completed by email and our new officers for 2021 are:

President:	Evan Vinson
Vice President:	Keith Newark
Secretary:	Elaine Nealey
Treasurer:	John Schaller

Dues are Due for 2021

The New address is:

John Schaller
16401 Chablis Drive
Oklahoma City, OK 73013

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Everyone stay safe and have a wonderful holiday season. I hope to see as many people as possible via Zoom at our monthly meeting. Don't forget your Show 'n Tell projects.

NEW MEMBERS

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our newest member, Larry Anderson of Yukon.

SPANGLER AWARD

This year's Spangler Award goes to Elaine and Dan Nealey. Both have gone above and beyond in their work for the Club this year. Dan has been the Club secretary and Elaine has taken on the Newsletter. Both are important to the functioning of the Club. In past years Elaine has taught classes and done meeting presentations. Dan has judged turnings at our Artistry in Wood show, and they have always been ardent supporters of the Club and Show. Congratulations Elaine and Dan. They have not yet received their awards because of Covid-19 but will get them as soon as we can arrange it.

IN MEMORIAM

Last month, just two days before Thanksgiving, we lost one of our former members, Gary James, to COVID-19 complications. He was 79 years old.

Gary was a member of the First Baptist Church OKC Woodchippers, and after moving to Princeton, Illinois in 2014 he founded a woodcarving group there.

In his youth, he developed a passion for aviation. Later, he had a long and distinguished career working for the police force. The following excerpt is taken from his obituary:

Gary was a quiet, humble man and would have probably never told you about his career achievements since they did not define who he was. He was blessed with such an interesting

life and was quietly grateful to God for the doors that had opened for him. While he left his mark in his career, Gary was a loving husband, the best dad, a big brother, and a special friend. He loved his family and friends beyond words. And he was so easy to love. His heart was big enough to embrace anyone who crossed his path and he touched so many lives.

If you want to remember Gary, thank the police officers you see. And search the night skies for the brightest star, realizing that he would want you to know it may be a plane.

COMING EVENTS:

2021 OZARKS WOODCARVING SEMINAR

March 14 – 19, 2021

Springfield, MO

For more information, please visit

www.OzarksWoodcarvingSeminar.com or
contact John Engler at (417) 209-6842 or
John@JohnEnglerWoodcarving.com.

RENEGADE WOODCARVERS ROUNDUP

March 22 – 26, 2021

Lebanon, TN

Instructors will be Gary Fallin, Mitch Mitchell Cartledge, Rich Weatherbee, Chris Hammack, and Carol Leavy. Rich will hold a clay modeling and painting class in the evenings of March 19 – 21.

RENEGADE OCTOBER

October 18 – 22, 2021

Lebanon, TN

Instructors will be Gary Fallin, Roger Steagall, and Dwayne Gosnell. More details to follow.

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