



**FLICKERTAIL WOODCARVERS
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We have an ongoing commitment to supply carved hearts for the Cancer Center. On page 10, Doug Emerson gives us multiple examples of ideas for hearts. Any completed hearts can be given to Doug. For those who have unfinished Whittle-In projects from November and December, photographs on pages 5 and 6 show finished woodcarvings. In addition Frank Koch gives an update on upcoming classes and events on pages 7 and 8.

Finally be sure to return in your election ballot, found on page 11, to Ron Holtz per instructions.

Newsletter Editor: Tom Turck

Meeting Minutes for November 1st, 2014 (10:00 AM) Trinity Lutheran Church

Vince Bitz sponsored the project for this morning's whittle-in. It was a small pig from a cut out. And for November 16th, Warren Schlecht brought a caricature of adog to carve.

President Doug Emerson opened the meeting with 13 members in attendance.

Secretary Jim Lindseth read the minutes from the last meeting (October 4th). Motion to approve the minutes was made, motion passed.

Treasurer Warren Schlecht informed the group there was \$5,380 in the checking account with all bills paid with the exception of approximately \$900 for the rental of the Career Academy for the show. We have not yet received the bill. Motion to approve the report was made, and passed. Warren has a bill for an additional 35

Club Tee Shirts. Note: Doug Emerson ordered extra shirts due to not having enough sizes in the colors red and black. Dark Blue was our original tee shirt color.

Frank Koch reported the Career Academy has been reserved for October 10th and 11th, 2015 (the second weekend) for our show next year. Rooms have been reserved at the Comfort Inn again for next year and the hotel will provide a room free of charge for our Friday night social. Desiree Hajny was hired as visiting artist for the three day class and will do a lynx cat similar to the fox she did the last time. No room has been secured for the short classes.

Frank Koch reminded us that he has tentatively reserved Monday December 8th space at the Elks Lodge for the club's annual Christmas Dinner. Cost is estimated to be around \$17 or \$18 per person. He asked the members present if that was acceptable, members said yes. He asked for a head count and a sign-up sheet was circulated. Contact Frank if you should like to attend but not signed his sign-up sheet. Remember that if you sign-up and cancel after Frank has sent the number attending to the Elks, you will be responsible for the payment (if you attend or not).

President Emerson reminded the members that elections are in February and according to the club bi-laws and he will form a committee to secure nominees for open offices. Doug appointed Jim Lindseth, Ron Holtz, and Vince Bitz to secure nominees for Treasure, Program Chairperson, and Physical Property Chairperson. If you are interested in serving in one of these positions please contact the committee.

Old Business: Warren Schlecht mentioned that there will be a meeting on finish painting of the Mallard Duck decoy at Perry Cook's home Saturday November 8th at 9 AM.

New Business: Doug Emerson and Frank Koch brought to the club for discussion the idea of possibly purchasing some "sail" type signs or flags [RAZOR] (the type that businesses place by the street in front of the business to attract people) for use by the club at outdoor set-ups or inside at our show. These would be flag type or retractable. The cost including printing, pictures, name, and other information will be about \$350/each plus approximately \$50 for the set-up fee. Size of flags is 17

1/4 inches wide by 7', 9', 11', or 13' in height. The retractable is 35 inches wide by same height although cost approximately \$390. Estimated cost for 2 signs will be around \$800. It was discussed that a flag sign just have "Flickertail" printed on it. A retractable type would include pictures of carvings and some writing. A motion was made by Ron Torgeson and seconded by Diane Lehman Turck to proceed with graphic design and return at next meeting for further discussion. Motion approved.

There was no show and tell and there being no further business a motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 AM.

Secretary: Jim Lindseth

***Meeting Minutes for December 6th, 2014 (10:00 AM)
Trinity Lutheran Church***

Ron Holtz provided the woodcarving project for the morning. It was a Santa carving overlaying on a star. And Tom Turck and Diane Lehman Turck provided the Tuesday December 16th project: a variety of chip carving blanks to be made into Christmas ornaments.

President Doug Emerson opened the meeting with 22 members in attendance.

The minutes of the November meeting were read. A motion was made and was seconded to approve the minutes as read. Motion passed.

Treasurer Warren Schlecht reported there was \$4,252 in the checking account with all bills paid. Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made and seconded. Motion approved.

Membership Chairman Doug Smith gave a short commentary on the membership drive. He said the renewal notices have gone out and some renewals are being returned by members. Annual dues are again \$15/year.

President Doug Emerson said the registration for the spring class with Rick Brereton will be sent out with the January newsletter. If interested, watch for the registration in the next newsletter for dates and other details. Rick is a well known

relief carver who is an excellent teacher (see below: *What! A Relief Woodcarving Class*).

Doug reminded the members that the annual Christmas party will be held on Monday, December 8th at the Elks Club in Bismarck. Frank sent in an approximate number of attendees, but it is not too late to still sign up for the Christmas party. A carving exchange will be held at the party.

The election of officers is to be held at the February meeting. The offices up for election are the treasurer, program chairman, and property chairman. If you are interested in running for any of the 3 offices, contact of the nominating committee members: Jim Lindseth, Ron, Holtz, or Vince Bitz (see paper ballot on page 11).

Doug stated some progress has been made on the new signs planned for the club. He passed around a colored picture of how the one “retractable” sign and one “sail” sign will look. The cost of the signs will be around \$800. Perry Cook moved and Vince Bitz seconded a motion to purchase the signs. Motion passed.

Bob Pedigo had a pickup load of white pine in the parking lot that he acquired from a relative. He is offering the pieces of wood to the club members after the meeting. A donation for the wood would be appreciated and will go to the club treasury.

Tom Turck was recognized as doing a good job on the newsletter. Thanks, Tom.

There were no items for show and tell. No further business so the meeting was adjourned.

Acting Secretary: Warren Schlecht for Secretary: Jim Lindseth

Vince Bitz's Pig



Warren Schlecht's Caricature of a Dog



Ron Holtz's Santa and Star



Photographer: Tom Turck

Diane & Tom Turck's Ornament Project



Frank Koch's Woodcarving Class of 2014



Photographer: Dale Heglund

What! A Relief Woodcarving Class

On May 1st through May 3rd, 2015, the Flickertail Woodcarving Club will feature Rick Brereton (Canada) for a relief woodcarving class in Bismarck at the Trinity Lutheran Church. The subject will be a rural prairie scene that *may* include things like a barn, and/or a house (log cabin) the house could have a porch, a creek nearby with/without a bridge, windmill, tree(s), etc.

Cost of the three day class will be \$70 and includes the wood material to carve. Since this piece will be too large to hand hold you should be prepared to use larger tools than palm tools. Also bring an apparatus along to mount the piece of wood, and clamps. Class begins at 8:30 am and will end at 4:30 pm. Send money and questions to Doug Emerson.

Fargo Woodcarving Show

The Red River Valley International Wood Arts Festival will take place on April 11th & 12th, 2015 at the Baymont Inn, Fargo, ND. Featured woodcarver will be Desiree Hajny. No woodcarving competition will take place this year at the show. If you want more information contact Barry @701-232-8718 or check their website at www.rrvwc.org.

Bismarck Woodcarving Show

The Flickertail Woodcarving Club will host the Annual Flickertail Woodcarving Show at the Bismarck Academy on October 10th & October 11th, 2015. Featured woodcarver is Desiree Hajny (Nebraska). Classes will consist of carving either a complete or partial bodied lynx.

The class runs from 9 am to 5 pm on Thursday (October 8th) and Friday (October 9th) and 8:00 am to 11:15 am on Saturday (October 10th) and Sunday (October 11th). The July newsletter will have the registration form which includes the cost of the class. Contact Frank Koch (701-255-0280) or Doug Emerson (701-425-8226) if you need more information.

Bar Flies or any Style of Bottle Stoppers

Bar Flies or any Style of Bottle Stoppers was chosen as the ‘theme’ for the 2015 Flickertail Woodcarving Show on October 10th & 11th. Last fall Chris Hammack taught a caricature carving class on Bar Flies. We can use the training acquired in the class to create some new and interesting caricature faces.

Members can use the library to find pictures of amusing looking faces. All theme based carvings submitted will be displayed on a separate table with an appropriate sign. We plan to make use of several Whittle-Ins (spring & summer) to help one another plan and carve a unique Bar Fly or Bottle Stopper. Let’s see how many caricature heads we can make.

Submitted by Frank Koch

Flickertail Woodcarvers Schedule for 2014-2015

Because of conflict with Trinity Lutheran Church's schedule on the third Saturday of each month, meeting days have been interchanged from the first Tuesday and third Saturday of each month to the first Saturday (9:00 AM - 11:00 AM) and third Tuesday (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM) of each month. The 2014 - 2015 schedule for the meetings and Whittle-Ins is as follows:

Date	Day	Name	Project
Jan. 10	Saturday	Doug Emerson	Bear
Jan. 20	Tuesday	Troy Frieze	TBA
Feb. 7	Saturday	Frank Koch	Love Spoon
Feb. 17	Tuesday	Doug Smith	TBA
March 7	Saturday	Jim Lindseth	TBA
March 17	Tuesday		
April 11	Saturday		
April 10-12		Fargo Carving show	Doublewood Inn Desiree Hajny-guest carver
April 21	Tuesday		
May 2	Saturday		
May 1-3		Rick Brereton	Relief Carving Class
May 19	Tuesday	Al Braunagel	TBA

Originally Submitted by Frank Koch

Heart Style Suggestions for Cancer Center Patients



Photographer: Doug Emerson

Election of Officers

The Program Chairperson, Treasurer, and Physical Properties Chairperson will be elected at the February 7, 2015, meeting. An absentee ballot is attached below. For those who receive their newsletter by email, mark your ballot and email it to Ron Holtz, rholtz@bis.midco.net. For those who received their newsletter by mail, mark your ballot and mail it to Flickertail Woodcarvers, PO Box 7473, Bismarck, ND 58507-7473.

Paper Ballot for the Flickertail Woodcarver Members

Circle or write in your choice

Program Chairperson: Frank Koch

Other _____

Treasurer: Warren Schlecht

Other _____

Physical Properties Chairperson: Vince Bitz

Other _____
