



LOUISIANA WILDFOWL CARVERS AND COLLECTORS GUILD

NEWSLETTER



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President's Note

I am very optimistic about the future of our club. I am receiving a lot of public support from individuals not presently associated with the club. Our members are doing a fantastic job of getting the word out. Many of the venues that accommodated us in the past are calling for us to return to demonstrate our art form. A lot has happened but we cannot relax yet we are still looking for new ways to get the word out about our festival. We have two festivals to attend in Au-

gust. If you are available we would love to have you attend these festivals to help us get the word out. Rules, flyers for the show and flyers for the art and children art will be available at the meeting. Anyone seeing an opportunity to put them out will be greatly appreciated. Hopefully we will be able to draw more interest in our festival.

It is not too early to be thinking of the thing we need to do to make our festival the best in the country. I would like for every member to talk about

NOTICE

General Meeting will be July 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. and will be in the "Front Meeting Room" Piccadilly Cafeteria 2222 Clearview Pkwy. Metairie, La.

what they are doing in their respective committees. Last minute planning usually leads to things going undone.

Gene

SHOW AND TELL



Joe shows a Jacob C. Cramer Antique Dogree (Scaup) Decoy.



Allen holds his first Pintail Decoy which he started working on. Unfinished and not painted yet.



Chris found a piece of cypress from his shed he picked up at Lake Ponchartrain and carved it from a book by Wolfe with the face of an old man on the cover.

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JUNE 28, 2017
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MINUTES

Meeting opened at 7:00 P.M.. We started with the pledge of Allegiance. Gene said Dickey was out because he had Cataract surgery today and Mike was out because he had chemo. He then welcomed two new members to our guild David Curtis and Clayton Dickson.

Gene said the booklets and flyers are out for our Festival and everyone one is doing a great job. Cajun Heritage was last week . Chris Weaver entered the Cocktail Glass Category, and won Best of Show. A lot of people attended; Joe entered and won with a Gadwall working gunner. Allen won first place Best in Show in Novice.

The Blue Bonnet Festival in Baton Rouge, is a one day selling show with displays of mostly antique decoys. It will be held on August 19th. Tables are free. There is a request for a \$50 donation for the drawing. Gene is donating a door prize for their Banquet which is the day before.

Gary told members that the Lieutenant Governor is working on an advertising grant. Posters will be put up in the Castine Center, the Visitor centers, Art Galleries in the area and at special events. He also invited the Lt. Governor to speak at our Banquet if he is available.

Chris has been passing out posters in the Bay St. Louis Area, Denham Springs, Antique Flee Markets, Pugliars, Professional Sporting goods places, Academy and bulletin boards all over the Northshore.

We have sold a few of Harvey Lewis's books, but do not have a contract yet. We will be getting one from Mr. Louis soon.. He just wants to recover any money he has invested.

ICWA discussion was tabled by the board; they have not contacted us since they approached us about joining at the

Ward Show.

A \$5000 donation has been received to name the Photography category in Memory of Jack Green. We will have a plaque made in his memory.

Gene said he would like to make a request to each carving member to donate an item for the auction early (before the show) with a little biography about themselves so we can take a picture of the piece and make a flyer before the show advertising the carvers and their pieces. We need to get more buyers to the Auction. Chris said if everyone would carve a cocktail bird or a pin, we could do good. Mr. Guidry is making a pirogue for the door prize.

Joe brought 2 options from Gulf Coast Gas Co. to advertise our show; the board decided on one and suggested inviting them to the Banquet.

Gene reminded everyone that our Banquet is Wednesday September 20th.

The Madisonville Museum is once again giving us a Preview showing for our Festival. There will be 12 to 14 tables available for carvers to display their work. Date is Saturday, August 26th from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

If you would like to volunteer for the show, get in touch with Gene. Tan Burnet and Curt Fabre will be honored at our show this year.

We were going to do a short demo at our meetings, but had to cancel because of restaurant regulations.

Show and tell had six members including two new carver members participating at this meeting. See pictures and notes in this issue.

We then picked for the door prizes.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

SHOW AND TELL



David mostly carves shore birds. In his left hand he holds a Sanderling. In his right hand a working American Black Duck decoy from a piece of cypress he had for a while.



Clayton holds his first carving. He carved a head and then a body for this working Mallard.



Bob holds 2 of 4 Purple Gallinule Decoys he carved out of Balsa Wood and painted with Oil Based Enamels.