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2017 GMWC Dues - Check your mailing label!!!

It's that time of year again...GMWC dues are now due for 2017. Please check your mailing label. If the date in the upper right corner is not 2017, please complete the membership form on the last page of the newsletter and return to Barb Taylor. If you have an Email, please print the address clearly so we can update our membership list. To keep our expenses low, we can eMail you your newsletter if you like, which will also help us keep our dues low, and is a lot less work to get the newsletter to our members.

2016 GMWC Annual Meeting Birds of Vermont Museum, Huntington, VT

Our 2016 Annual Meeting and October Carve-In was held at the Birds of Vermont Museum in Huntington on Saturday, October 8, 2016. The weather was a bit on the chilly side as we arrived, but the bright sunshine and fall foliage was near peak. President Matthew H. Strong called the meeting to order at 12:15.

Officers Reports:

Secretary, Bob Lindemann handed out the Minutes of Last year's Meeting which the group read and with little discussion was accepted as written. Treasurer Barb Taylor handed out our Financial Report. It was noted that we have a fairly large inventor of GMWC Logo items, so we need to advertise them more in the newsletter and website. The report was moved and accepted as printed. President Strong, then reviewed the past year, noting we had very good participation at the Waterbury Show in August. He also noted we need to find ways to reach out to the Community and find ways to attract new members, and grow our carving community.

Old Business:

Last year he had a fall food drive to benefit the Morrisville Senior Center. We decided to do another one this year. Barb noted that Wayland has sent in a donation, and others will bring food items to the next Carve-In. We also carved a number of Bird Ornaments for the Museum to help with the new Bridge Project. This has gone well, and we still have a few to paint. The group decided to continue on a somewhat smaller scale with the Project this year.

New Business:

The August Show went very well. We will again use Rusty Parker Park for our 2017 Show. Bob Lindemann will check with the town to reserve the 3rd weekend in August. The Scale Horse Class went very well, we are looking into subjects and instructors for next year's class/s. One possibility we discussed was a realistic bird like a loon, possibly carve in the class and then Partner with the Museum for a fall "detailing" class? If any members not present have any ideas, please let the Officers know.

Matt looked into if the second Saturday is the best time to schedule Carve-ins to help increase participation. Turns out it had the least conflicts with other holidays and events. We change dates for events like the History Expo and

Shelburne Harvest Festival. November is always a conflict with Deer season, Craft Shows and of course the weather. It was decided to move our November Carve-In to the first Saturday this year and in the future.

Website. The site was discussed with ideas to add to the site like member links and GMWC Logo items. The site is a work in progress.

Election of Officers:

A motion was made to add Barbara Ladabouche to the Executive Board. Motion moved and passed. A motion was made and seconded that all present Officer's should be re elected. With no discussion, the motion was passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15.

Green Mountain Woodcarvers Profit & Loss October 2015 through September 2016

Income	
Direct Public Support	
Individual Contributions	16.00
Membership Dues	1,025.00
Inventory Sales	74.00
Misc.	3.00
Classes / Workshops	<u>1,125.00</u>
Total Income	2,243.00
Expenses	
Operations	
Postage	253.50
Printing, copying	146.92
Supplies	87.75
Website	119.45
Liability Insurance	229.00
Workshop / Classes	
Food Expense/class	255.00
Instructors	540.00
Total Expenses	1,543.87
Net Income	699.13

GMWC Logo Items

As noted at the Annual meeting, we have a fairly large inventory of GMWC t-shirts, polos, hats and sweatshirts. If you would like to order one, let Barb Taylor know and she'll bring it to the next CarveIn.

Morrisville Senior Center Food Drive

As a way of thanking the Morrisville Senior Center for providing a space for our August Class, this year we decided to again have a food drive to benefit the Senior's. At the Annual Meeting we began collection the donations. We would like to thank Wayland for his generous contribution, and will continue to collect donations at our November Carve-In at Bob Brightbills. We would like to thank everyone that has indicated they would contribute to the Food Drive, we are sure the Senior's will appreciate the donations.

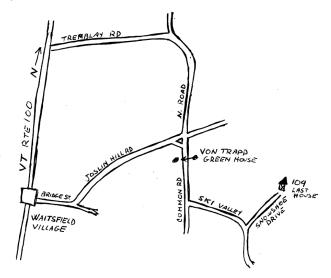
November Carve-In

Saturday, November 5, 2016 (first Saturday)

Host: Robert Brightbill Location: Waitsfield, VT

Our November Carve-In will be hosted by Bob Brightbill in Waitsfield Vt. As space is a bit limited, please remember to bring a chair and lunch as well as a project to work on. We usually begin the Carve-In around 10:00, and break for lunch and then continue as long as members like after lunch. This year, the Carve-In will be the **first Saturday** to avoid conflicts so please plan on attending.

The bridge in town has been repaired, so you can now follow Bridge St to the Common Rd, or use Tremblay Rd north of the village and the signs to Von Trapp Greenhouse and come in from the north. Just in case, Bob's phone # is (802) 496-5259



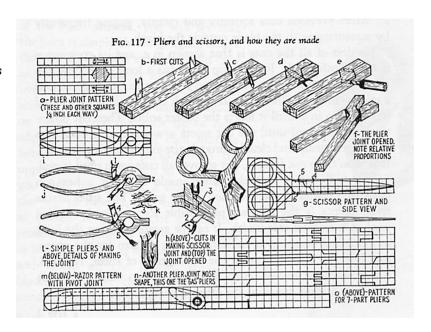
December Carve-In

In the past, we have had very low attendance at the December Carve-In due to either unexpected snow, deer season and all the other things on our list do before the holiday season. As a result, we have again decided to not schedule a December Carve-In again this year. We'll hope to see you in January at Burr's.

Carving Pattern

At the Waitsfield Craft Show and Shelburne Farms Harvest Festival, Bob Brightbill in addition to carvings of a chain and the traditional "Ball in the Cage" had a pair of scissors he had carved from a single piece of wood. Everyone seemed to be fascinated by how he had carved the pieces from a single piece of wood.

At our Annual Meeting he donated a box of carving books to our Lending Library. In it was a copy of E.J. Tangerman's Whittling and Woodcarving book. While cataloging the books for our lending library what do you think I found? His secrets have been revealed... For more detailed instructions, you will have to signout the book from our Library at the Birds of Vermont Museum, or ask him for more information at the November CarveIn he is hosting.



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Membership

Current members, don't forget to check your mailing label. If it does not show 2017 you need to renew your membership. The date printed is when your membership expires. Membership dues are now \$15. You can send a check payable to "Green Mountain Woodcarvers" to Barbara Taylor, Treasurer, 863 US Rte 5, Putney, VT 05346. If you know someone interested in woodcarving, please pass along this form and invite them to join.

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