



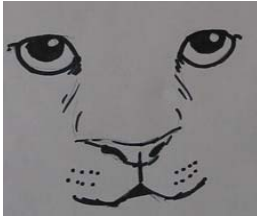
News from the Branson/Tri-Lakes Area Scroll Saw Club

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5th Anniversary “Challenge” Announced



For the past two years, The Branson/Tri-Lakes Area Scroll Saw Club has celebrated its anniversary via a theme-based “challenge” project at its March meeting.

In 2005 we had the “Lion Challenge”, based on club member Jim Sweet’s Woodimal puzzle pattern of a lion. “Moose on the Loose” was the challenge for 2006, and in 2007 we had a “Bunny Bonanza.”

Cats-Domestic or Wild is the theme for the 5th Anniversary Challenge for the March meeting. So dig out that pattern you’ve been saving, or check out the latest pattern companies’ catalogs to get inspired, and get cutting’ while this nasty winter weather persists!

Even if you cannot make the March meeting, your entry will be accepted and judged by your peers in the usual anonymous method. If your name is on your entry, it will be temporarily hidden. A \$25 gift certificate from Lowe’s awaits the winning entry, and our new president, George Browne, will be rounding up a couple of other prizes for runners-up.

If you need to mail your entry, send it to Carole Jennings by March 10th at 365 Redbud Lane, Hollister, MO 65672

---Information for this column submitted by Carole Jennings

Get-Well Wishes



Lee Busby is continuing with chemo treatments through the Mayo Clinic. Address: Lee & Pearl Busby, 519 W. 1st St., Zumbrota, MN 55992.

Larry Long is receiving treatments in Little Rock for a recurrence of his cancer, and recently collapsed and was hospitalized (apparently due to dehydration). At last report he was home and doing better. Address: Larry & JoAnn Long, 3105 Dogwood Circle, Mt. Home, AR 72653.

Carolyn Collins reported that Dennis was recently hospitalized, but is now home. Address: Dennis & Carolyn Collins, 8 Midview Dr., Kimberling City, MO 65686.

Lee, Larry, and Dennis – You are in our thoughts and prayers, and we wish you a speedy recovery.

Request for Northeast Oklahoma Scrollsaw Club Potluck

Judy Campbell requests a tentative “show of hands” from our club members who would plan to attend a get-together with the Tulsa Club in May. Their members are searching for a location to host our club for a picnic, and would like to know approximately how many of us would attend. We have invited their group to join us at TableRock State Park pavilion for our annual Fall Cook-out for the past three years and we always have a great time. We would probably try to arrange a “car pool caravan” of members wanting to go to Tulsa for the day.

May is a busy month beginning with the Texas Scrollsaw picnic in the Dallas area on May 2-4. Our regular club meeting is usually a luncheon/workshop at the Jennings' home on the 3rd Saturday. Memorial Day weekend is the 4th weekend.

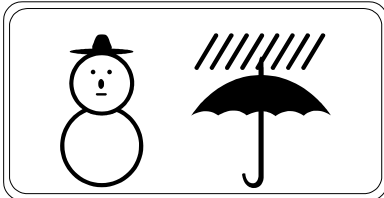
If you would consider making the trek to Tulsa on a May weekend, please e-mail Carole Jennings (cjennings@interlinc.net) or give her a phone call (417-334-3501) before February 1st.

---Submitted by Carole Jennings

2008 Membership Dues

Dues unpaid for this year are currently due. Membership is \$10 for one person, or \$15 for a couple. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please mail your check to club treasurer, Patrick Rudolph, at 348 Rose Avenue, Protem MO 65733. If you are a member of S.A.W., include your ID number and expiration date on your check, so our club secretary, Steve Vandre, can keep our records up-to-date. If you have a change in your address or e-mail address, please notify Steve.

Inclement Weather Reminder



At the January meeting, members were reminded that we will not meet

in the event of icy or snowy weather. If you're not sure whether or not to start driving, you may call President George Browne at 417-724-8581.

New Historian



Much thanks goes to Mary Vanderweel, who has served as Club Historian for the past few years. Due to work and time commitments, Mary is unable to continue in this position.

In addition to his position of Club Secretary for this year, Steve Vandre has

kindly volunteered to assume the duties of Club Historian. Thanks to Steve for stepping up to take over this important job.

January Show n' Tell

There were several nice projects presented at the January meeting.



John Russwurm created an "It's a Girl" Clock (pattern from Berry Basket), and a handsome Moose segmentation scene made with

pine and water-based salmon stains (pattern from Wildwood Designs). John also made his own frame for this piece.



Wilbur Ferrin created a beautiful wheat sheaf cutting on a piece of wood he received at the Christmas Party.

Carole Jennings displayed a very nice home-made Christmas card received from Jim & Bev Smith, which included a mirrored dove.

Gorgeous hummingbird clocks made from mahogany, zebra wood, and cherry



were presented by Judy Campbell. She reported that the clock inserts with pendulum came from Scroller (Scroller offers a discount for purchasing 3 or more).



Tommy Johnson displayed several items, including some nice compound cuts (patterns from Scroller using a #7 or 8 polar blade), some inlaid

Southwestern items made from tagua nuts and walnut using a puzzle blade, and a sign made from maple and walnut.



Nancy Schanda completed three new "wood portraits" designed using Corel Paint Shot Pro, some tagua nut earrings with a sheltie (which she designed following the example presented by Tommy Johnson at

the November meeting), and a wolf project cut from maple (pattern from White Tail Designs).

Scroll Saw Review – Craftsman Model 21609 18" Scroll Saw

The Craftsman has an integrated light and blower, and comes with a foot controller. It uses both plain and pin-end blades, and the blade change requires no tools. The speed is 0-1700 strokes per minute, and the stroke length is 7/8 inch. The Craftsman weighs 35 pounds, and has up-front controls.

Reviews on their web site report problems with the bottom blade holder being difficult to tighten, and some indicated they would like a brighter light and stronger air blower. Found on the Sears web site for \$199.99. For more information go to www.Sears.com.

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Next Meeting – Feb. 16, 2008, 10:30 AM, at the Big Bear Lodge. Be sure to bring your show n' tell and raffle items!