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September – The leaves will be changing soon. Let's take advantage of the beauty of Mother Nature to inspire us, not only in carving but in every day situations.

COMMENTS

- **President's corner:**
 - *Good turnout at last month's meeting. Keep it up.*
 - *Our yearly show is a few weeks away and we need your help in providing ornaments and volunteering to help.*
 - *If there are any comments on our website, please let Mary Ellen know.*
 - *Keep the ideas coming. We and our community will benefit from them.*

Jose' Martin

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FOR SALE:

- No sale items this month.

I WANT TO BUY:

- We've initiated this column for many of us that want to buy a wood carving item but do not want to spend the money for a new one. If you have anything that you would like to buy, perhaps one of our members would like to sell it to you. Please let me know and I will put it on the next newsletter.

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

- We are continuing Thursday get-together at the Church.
- We provided over 20 carvings to the Madison County Land Trust for their annual auction. They were extremely appreciative.

- The September meeting was held on the 19th. Following are the minutes:

NAWA Meeting Minutes **September 19th, 2013**

Jose called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. There were 28 in attendance.

Announcements

1. Jose reported that he took about 20 items to Land Trust for their auction. They thanked NAWA for the donations.
2. Jose told the membership that Bert Brewster is going in for knee replacement surgery on Sept. 25th.
3. Jose reminded the membership that we are in need of ornaments for our three trees that will be raffled off at the show and the three wreaths that will be auctioned.
4. D reported that he had signed up for a table at the Senior Center for their Christmas craft sell and anyone that would like to sell can join him at the table but they need to fill out a form and turn it in to the Senior Center. Jose will send out the form.
5. D also had ornament blanks free as long as they would make it to the trees. .50 cents if not.

Show Report

1. Sandy gave a show update. Mike Whittier, who usually does the Chip Chats article will be having back surgery and will not be able to write it this year. We need someone to do this and Mike will give the template that Chip Chats requires to the volunteer.
2. Someone is needed to man the snack room and keep the coffee pot full.
3. We are asking again this year for you to provide snacks on Saturday and Sunday.
4. Tom will be setting up the main library for October. Dan has the Madison Library. D has Bailey Cove Library. Please see one of these people if you have anything to display.

The raffle took place and Jose closed the meeting at 7:35

Sandra Horn for Ellie Nelson Secretary



These are some of the items donated to the Madison County Land Trust for their annual Auction. Thanks to those that contributed.

WHAT'S UP?

- Get-together's at the church are on-going. **Thursday's at the Church** (Mt. View Baptist Church, 1413 McClung Avenue SE, Huntsville) at 6:30 – 8:30. More class subjects will be announced at a later time.
- **NOTICE:** Local carver Joseph Duane Vinson is now providing a tool sharpening service. Call or email Duane [256-724-2833](tel:256-724-2833), duanevin@gmail.com.
- **COFFEE TREE CARV'N:** attendance continues. Carvings in chip, caricature, and bark houses are in progress. The coffee and food are great, carving always improving. Great food, coffee and Company. (7900 Bailey Cove Rd SE, Huntsville across from Grissom High School from 6:30 – 8:30).
- **DECATUR SATURDAY CARV'N:** attendance has been good at 6-8. Native Americans, mountain men, Santa's and bark houses are dominant. This is the best available instruction on faces. Visit Gary's blog (<http://3crosseswoodcarving-garymc.blogspot.com/>) for eye and Santa tutorials, etc. Coffee and conversation are good, carving improving. YA'LL COME ON DOWN! Meetings start at 8:00AM at JAVA JAY'S (6th St./HWY 31)
- **SENIOR CENTER CARV'N:** attendance has been steady. Vocal entertainment (jokes and opinions) and conversation are interesting, coffee and cookies are good, carving improving. YA'LL COME ON DOWN! (2200 Drake Ave SW Huntsville at noon).

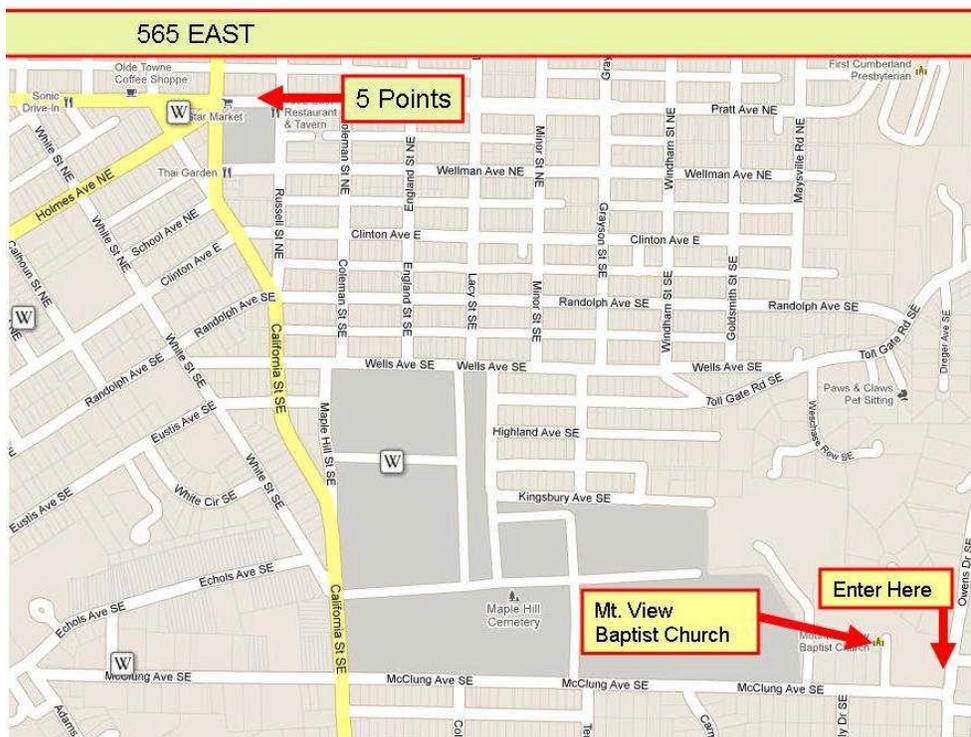
WHAT'S COMING UP?

- Classes at the Church.
- Our Annual November Show will be on the 2nd-3rd. Mark that weekend on your calendars. This year we will have a prize for the member who donates the most ornaments.
- NAWA Membership DUES:
 - Club membership fees (\$14.00/year) will be accepted for 2013 (and even beyond if you'd like). Mail a check to the Club Treasurer (or pay by check or cash directly at any regular meeting). Provide name, address, phone numbers, and e-mail address (1 or 2). Receipts are cheerfully given! The NAWA Treasurer's name and address is:

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- **Next Meeting** will be held **on October 17th** at:

Mt. View Baptist Church
1413 McClung Avenue SE,
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Comments welcomed

THANK YOU.
Jose' Martin