



Celebrating our 10th Year 1992—2002

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Notes from the August meeting



The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Bill Zech. We had approximately 35 members in attendance with a few more members in the room next door participating in the Harold Enlow seminar. Larry Kampel brought his friend and neighbor, Arletta Thomas, to the meeting. It was nice to meet you, Arletta, and it was great to see and talk with Larry again! Bill reported that Bill Martin is recovering nicely from his motorcycle accident and that Fred Boss's wife is quite ill. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Extra Mile Award Nominations. Nominations should be given to Bill Zech by the October meeting. The criteria for this award is for a member or members who have gone out of their way to make the club a better organization.

Raffle Tickets – Tickets are available from Bill Zech now; a picture of Rod Flinchbaugh's carving, "Pete and Repeat," will be available at the September meeting. Tickets are a dollar a ticket, or six tickets for five dollars.

Newsletter via E-Mail. To reduce costs, we ask those members with internet access receive the newsletter via e-mail notification. Members then go to the Website and view the newsletter. Ed Otto has sent out an email message to all club members who have an e-mail address. **If you wish to receive the newsletter by e-mail only, respond to Ed's message or contact Ed at ottoe@pa.net.**

Treasurer's Report– Sonja reported we currently have \$3,215.11 in the Treasury.

Let's Eat!

Our annual banquet is scheduled for **November 2 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Zwingli UCC Church (across from the community center). Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the cost per person is \$8.

The menu is roast chicken and roast beef, filling, gravy, mashed potatoes, one vegetable, cold lettuce, coffee, tea and dessert, served family style.

The entertainment will be presented by The Lighter Side of which Mary Dahl is a member. This is a great group, worth the price of admission, even without the meal!

Make your reservations soon and enjoy the entertainment, wonderful food and fellowship of our members and guests. The registration form can be found

on page 4 of this newsletter and should be sent to Bill Zech, along with your money, **no later than October 26.**

The highlight of the dinner will be the presentation of the "Extra Mile" Award—who will be chosen this year??



Seminar Update



Dave Sabol's class was going on during our meeting, and many members took time before and after the meet-

ing to see the terrific pieces Dave's students were carving. We hope to see some entered in the competition at the show!

Pete Ortel's class will be held on **October 11, 12 and 13**; there is still room in the class. Cost is \$150.00. Butch recommends that you call him ASAP if you are interested in learning from one of the masters of the trade. This seminar will be held at Butch and Mary Dahl's house in Carlisle. Contact him for directions.

Gary Akers has again agreed to teach antler carving the second Saturday in January 2003. The cost is \$65.00, or if you are a youth the cost is only \$17.50.

Note: Butch has been asked to have a bird carver come in to do a seminar. Butch is considering asking Brad Ketrick to teach a class. However, Butch needs to know if there is enough interest for this seminar. If there is enough interest, Butch will contact Brad to determine cost and dates. To date only a few people have expressed interest so **PLEASE let Butch know now** if you are interested. Brad is a very good teacher as well as a bird carver. If you just want to learn carving and painting tech-

niques that you can use on all carvings and haven't tried a bird before, this may be just the class for you.

There will be a few less seminars in 2003 because the club has had trouble filling all the classes. We have had to cancel several classes in 2002 due to lack of interest and participation.

Remember to see Butch about any of the upcoming seminars. We did not include a registration form with the newsletter this time. Instead, this month you will find a pattern designed by Rod Flinchbaugh. Thanks, Rod, for sharing your artistic ability with us!

Election of Officers

Elections will be held at our November meeting. The following members have agreed to be nominated; other nominations will be accepted at the October

meeting.

President—**Ed Otto** (Ed's job may be a factor in his ability to take this post).

Vice President—**Rod Flinchbaugh**

Secretary—**Gary Peiffer**

Treasurer—**Sonja Flinchbaugh**

Newsletter Editor—**Doug Gabel**

Show Button Competition

Designs are due at the September meeting for the Show buttons. To date, we've only received one entry.

All information must fit inside a 2-1/4" circle, should be in black and white, and ready for print-

ing.

The following information must be included on your design: (1) Conewago Carvers Woodcarving and Wildlife Art Show; (2) Exhibitor; and (3) 2002. The rest of the design is up to you.

Be creative!! Let's have lots of entries. A \$25 cash award will be given to the winner of this competition. The winner is determined from the votes of those members who attend the September meeting.

Wood Wizard Needs Help

Okay, folks, we need to be working on those Wood Wizard submissions. Only two carvings were submitted for the August competition. We are considering other options at this point rather than continuing the Wood Wizard in 2003. Let us know what you think and what ideas you have for our club.

This month's Wood Wizard project was to carve a scarecrow. There were only two entries this

month and the results were as follows:

First place- **Joe DeAngelis** (\$10) Joe used a quilter's appliqué pattern.

Second place- **Bob Kelley** (\$5)

The next Wood Wizard challenge is anything of your choice but must have been carved in the last 6 months. This challenge was chosen with the hope that

we will have more entries in the competition.

Let's surprise Joe and Rod and fill the table with entries this month. Surely many of you will have carvings you are getting ready for the show. Please start working or continue working on those carvings now and be prepared to bring them to September's meeting!

Carroll Carvers Show



The Carroll Carvers Show will take place the weekend before our show (October 18, 19, 20) at the Timonium Fairgrounds in Maryland.

Jack Miller has reserved a table, representing the Conewago Carvers. All club members are encouraged to submit pieces for competition. Cost per entry is \$5.00. Please see Jack Miller to make arrangements.

Jack would like to have some company during the show, so if you would like to join him for part of the show, contact him at 717-637-6963 or see him at the meeting.

Show and Tell

Larry Kampel – Larry brought in a chip carved jewelry box that was made out of butternut. He has been working on it for two years and it was made for his daughter-in-law, Linda. All the joints were hand dovetailed and the detail work of the chip carving was amazing. He said the hardest part was the leaves which were inspired by the leaf carvings of Fausto DelGrosso.

Bob Kelley – Now this man is an inspiration! He had carved a

face, separately carved nose and lips (no doubt inspired by the wood wizard challenges), a church mouse with bells, and a rocking turtle from a pattern in *Chip Chats* by carver Mary Gulden. Keep up the great and prolific work!

Jay Herr – Chip carving. Nice work!

Rod Flinchbaugh – Two pieces from the Harold Enlow seminar, a sleeping hobo and another

hobo with a turtle under his foot and a white shirt. Rod said he really enjoyed the Enlow seminar and learned a lot in this class.

Bill Zech – A nicely carved leprechaun, a loving couple from Enlow blanks and a sitting hobo which he called the "Flower Keeper" since the flowers bloomed while he was sleeping.

August's Program

Don Swartz from Landisburg presented the program. Don recently purchased the carving supply business from Joe and Martha Kline and moved it to his home in Landisburg, operating under the name of *Hillcrest Carving*.

Don has been carving for 20 years and has taught classes at Fox Chapel Publishing. He brought along some of his carved items and shared them with the group. Don answered a

lot of questions about his new business, the focus of which will be mail orders and selling at carving shows and, yes, he will be a vendor at our show.

To place an order, Don can be reached at 717-898-7186 or on email at drswartz@onemain.com. He is more than willing to try to get something even if he does not carry it now. If he cannot get it then he will try to refer you to someone who carries that item.

Don ended his presentation by giving away three prizes to members who had birthdays closest to a specific date. The winners were Fern Hitchcock, Joe DeAngelis and Jack Miller.

Thanks, Don, for the gifts and the excellent presentation at our meeting! P.S. Don says keep an eye out for a coupon in our October newsletter that can be redeemed at the show.

Next Meeting- The next meeting will be held on **September 15 at 2:00** pm at the East Berlin Community Center, featuring **Vern Blank** returning to talk about duck carving.

The October meeting will focus on the Show preparation and election of officers for 2003.

Conewago Carvers Banquet
November 2, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.
(doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

(Detach and return this portion with your payment)

Make check payable to "Conewago Carvers"
Please reply by **October 26, 2002**

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$_____ for _____ persons.
(Cost per person is \$8.00)

Member's Name _____

Send check and reservation form to William A. Zech
1739 Oakley Drive
Dover, PA 17315-3847

Hi-lites from the Planning Council

A Planning Council/ Show Committee Meeting was held August 20. The following items were discussed:

- The need for better lighting and air conditioning in the club room;
- Proposed increase in club dues: The Board recommended an increase in dues to \$15 per person and \$20 for family membership. A key driver for the increase is the increase in postage and costs associated with the newsletter . Currently, it costs approximately \$9 to deliver the newsletter to club members on a yearly basis.
- Auditing the club books. We are looking for volunteers from the club to help with the audit, rather than go to an outside accounting firm.
- Bill Zech will look into the possibility of carrying liability

insurance through NWCA.

- Club T-shirts will be for sale at the cost of \$6.50. For more information, see Rod Flinchbaugh.

Unfinished Show “business”:

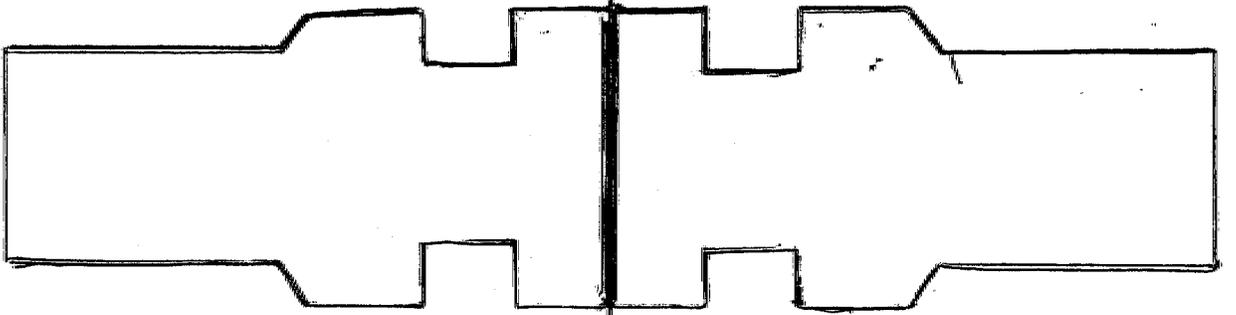
- Rod gave an overview of the layout of the show tables as it currently stands. Carroll Carvers will participate in the show and have a table. Two photographers and one flat artist are signed up. Currently only three tables remain for renting.
- We are at the point where we will be needing sign up sheets to man ticket tables, set-up, tear down, etc at the show. Sign up sheets will be generated and circulated at a future club meeting.
- There is a need to have better placement of the electrical cords during the show. Currently, the cords run between the tables where the

exhibitors sit. We would need to purchase additional cords and connect them to the existing set up so that we could run the cords under the tables. Rod and Cliff will look into this.

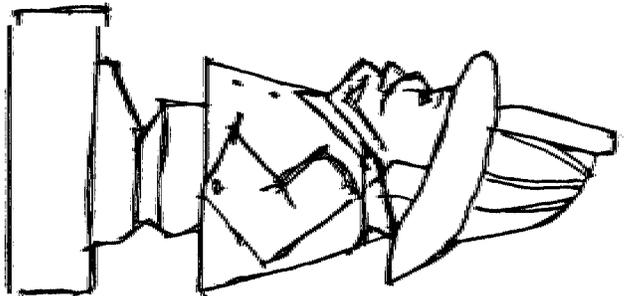
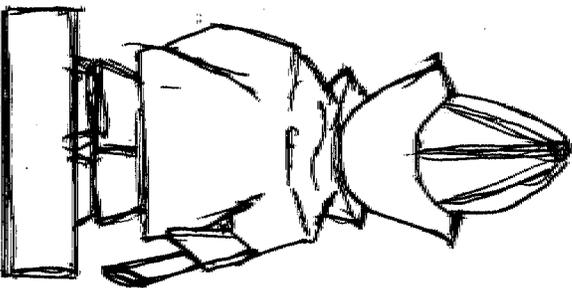
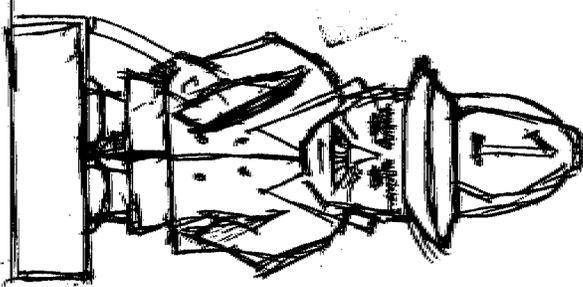
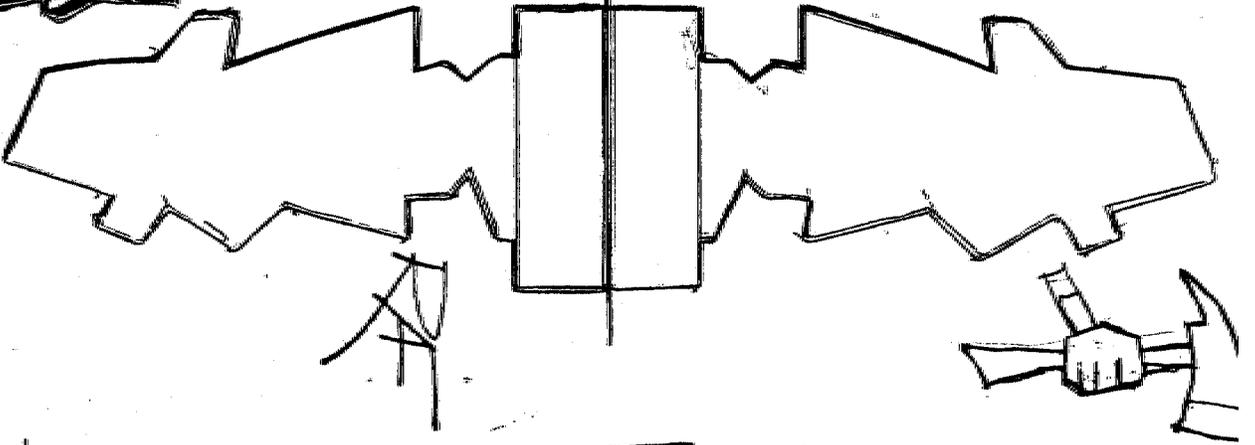
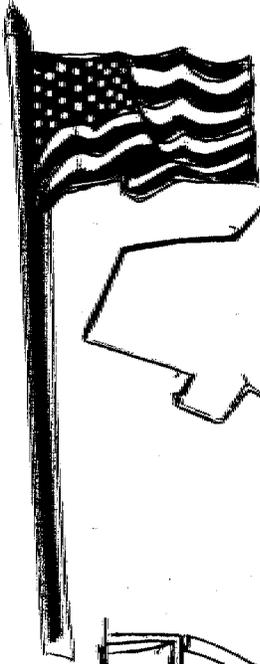
- There are door prizes left over from last year, but more are needed for this years show. Cliff volunteered to do some with the Tuesday night carvers.
- Judges for the show include Bill Wright for the open class and possibly Joe Kline. Club members will have to support intermediate and novice class while we may look for an art teacher for the flat art.
- Bill Zech will contact a chainsaw carver to see if they will come to the show.

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