

CONEWAGO CARVERS

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Show Time is almost here!



You won't want to miss the 2003 edition of the Conewago Carvers Woodcarving and Wildlife Art

Show which will be held October 25 and 26 at the East Berlin Community Center.

Our thanks to everyone who has been involved in planning the Show, but there's still more to do! Please plan to attend our monthly meeting on October 19. We need folks to sign-up to help with set-up and teardown, the silent auction, selling raffle tickets and admission tickets. If you could volunteer for just a few hours sometime between Friday night and Sunday at closing, we'll have all the help we need. All tables are sold, but if you

want to reserve a table, let Rod know and he can put you on a waiting list in case of any cancellations.

Two Purchase Award prizes were selected and will be raffled off at the show. Everyone is asked to sell raffle tickets before the show. Tickets and pictures of the carvings will be available at the October meeting.

Door prizes are needed. The "Tuesday Night" club has been working on small crosses. However, other items and donations would be appreciated.

Jim Gillis has received about 25 items for the silent auction table. Do you have a carving, a tool or

a carving book you would be willing to donate to the silent auction table? If so, see Jim at the October meeting or at the beginning of the show. This is a great fundraiser for the show and our club.

We still need judges—if you know of anyone who is qualified and willing to help judge our show, please contact Bill Zech.

Please sign up to help at least for an hour or two. It is really hard to recruit people to do things on an as needed basis at the last minute. You can help the show run more smoothly by donating some of your time! The sign up sheets for volunteers will be at the October meeting.

Let's Eat!



Our annual banquet is scheduled for **November 1 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 let-

tuce, coffee, tea and dessert, served family style.

The entertainment will be presented by The Lightside 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 25.**

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

In case you missed it. . .



September's program was given by Vic Hood from Franklin, TN. Vic talked about a lot of things and had many interesting stories.

He is mostly doing sculptural pieces but feels that with any carving, it is good to put movement and character in the piece, and that form is the most important aspect of any carving. He said that the purpose of art is to

communicate with others, and you do this by putting movement and expression in the carving. He also feels that bases are a very important part of the presentation to the judges. ***He said the way to improve is to practice, practice, practice and continue to take seminars.***

Thanks, Vic, for a very informative program and filling in on short notice!

Next Meeting- Our next meeting will be October 19 , at **2:00 pm** at the EBACC. This will be a swap/sell meet. So bring those excess tools, books and other carving supplies and turn them in for cash or trade them for something you can bring back next year!

Club-sponsored Seminars

Go to the Conewago Carvers Website for the most up to date information-- <http://conewagocarvers.tripod.com/index.htm>.

Dave Sabol- Pirate or Santa caricature, **TWO** weekend seminar (October 10,11,12 and 18,19), cost is \$175.00. There are openings for this seminar.

Pete Ortel- Caricature, Oct 27-28. Class is full, sign up for waiting list.

Kirt Curtis- May 1,2, 3, 2004.

In Tribute

I just wanted to share a few thoughts about my good friend, Larry Kampel.

I will always remember Larry as a really good friend who would do anything to help you. He showed me how to sharpen my chip carving knives, how to be a leader of an organization and how to earn people's respect.

When I visited him at his shop, he always made time for me no matter how busy he was and was

there to listen to any problems or ideas that I had. It always amazed me how all his employees held him in the highest esteem and knew he was their friend. After being around him I knew why. He treated everyone with respect and dignity no matter who they were or what their station in life was. Every person was important to him.

He made a difference in the Conewago Carvers with his level headed thinking and his

continuous contributions because he loved being a part of our carving club. Larry was a mentor to my son, Kyle, and to me, and I will always remember the lessons he taught us in his unassuming manner.

We will all miss Larry --but the best way we can remember him is to follow in his footsteps and do those things that he showed by example.

Doug Gabel

Notes from September's meeting

Blocks for the Friendship

Cane - Rod is still looking for five more blocks to complete the second Friendship Cane. If you took one and didn't turn it in or can complete one in short order, please call Rod and let him know before the October meeting. Rod has completed the first one and it looks great. The Friendship Cane(s) will be put on the silent auction table to be auctioned off during the show.

Bus Trip to Artistry in Wood

Show- At this writing, there are no seats left for the bus trip to the Artistry of Wood show in Dayton, Ohio on November 14, 15, and 16. The bus will leave on Friday, November 14 at 6:00 am from Dick's Sporting Goods in York. On the way out, the bus plans to stop at Warther's Museum. We will be staying at the Travel Lodge in Dayton and attend the show on Saturday. The bus will then return on Sunday. Meals will be your responsibility.

Planning Council/Show Committee Meeting- The show is not that far off! A meeting of the Planning Council and Show Committee will be held on October 21, at 7:00 pm at the EBCC. We are asking that all members of the club that are involved

with the show to please attend if they can. All members of the club are welcomed to attend any of these meetings.

Election of Officers – The election of officers is coming up in November, and we are still in need of a nominee for vice president. Which of you is willing to take this position to help keep our club growing?

E-mail Update - Ed Otto said that if you want your email address on the member's page of the Conewago Carvers web page so other members can contact you, you should send him your e-mail address.

Carvers Roundup - This year's Northeast Carvers Roundup was a huge success, and the 2004 Roundup is scheduled for July 25-27. See Jack Miller if you are interested in attending. It sounds like they have a great program planned for the 2004 gathering.

Tuesday Night News: Nick Sciortino just finished teaching some of the carvers some chip carving techniques and may do more chip carving Tuesday nights in the future. There is still a large group meeting each Tuesday so come and see what

all the noise and excitement is about each Tuesday evening at EBACC.

Sweatshirts are in! If you have ordered a sweatshirt, please see Rod or Sonja to pick it up. Cost is \$13. There are a few extra available, so it is not too late to get one if you want one! Also note that there are a few club T-Shirts available at \$6.50.

Show and Tell- Good stuff on the table which included the following:

Rod Flinchbaugh- A nice caricature.

Dick Watkins- A nice loon that he picked up in Alaska.

Treasurer's Report- Balance is currently \$2,314.09.

We are saddened by the death of our fellow carver, Larry Kempel. A contribution has been made by the club to the American Cancer Society in memory of Larry. Bill and Marlene Zech and Butch Dahl attended the service. Bill said that it was evident to all who attended the service that the Conewago Carvers and carving were an important part of Larry's life.

Conewago Carvers is brought to you by:

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**CONEWAGO CARVERS 2003
BANQUET RESERVATION FORM**

(Detach and return this portion with your payment)

Make check payable to "Conewago Carvers"
Please reply by **October 25, 2003**

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
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