

CONEWAGO CARVERS

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See you January 19th at the EBACC

Our monthly meeting will be held on Sunday, January 19th, at the East Berlin Area Community Center at 2:00 pm.



The program for this meeting will be a sharpening seminar with Rod Flinchbaugh and Cliff Rosborough.

Rod and Cliff will be demonstrating various techniques on how to sharpen your tools

so you can go home and sharpen your own tools. You will not want to miss this program — as most of us have discovered, a sharp tool makes carving much easier.

Please do not bring your own tools to be sharpened, but you may want to bring paper and pencil to write down the great tips and techniques Rod and Cliff will be sharing.

Hi-lites of the December meeting



Dues are now due for 2003. Please pay your 2003 dues now!

Individual member dues are \$15 and a family membership is \$20. Please make checks out to Conewago Carvers and mail to Bill Zech, 1739 Oakley Drive, Dover, PA 17315-3847.

Auditing of books: Our thanks to Ed Otto, Gary Peiffer and Treasurer Sonja Flinchbaugh, who recently audited the club books. Sonja reported that everything went well, no problems were found and, therefore, she is not going to jail.

Carving Roundup: Jack Miller is organizing a North East Woodcarvers Roundup for July 20-24, 2003 at Cherry Ridge Campsites & Lodging at Honesdale, PA. Anyone who carves or would like to learn to carve can

do so in this “no stress” learning environment. The cost for instruction is free. If you are interested in participating or interested in instructing, contact Jack (email Jackcarves@juno.com, phone 717-637-6963).



New Club T-shirts.

The new T-shirts were well received and there are a few left for sale. The cost of is \$6.50, with 0.50 going to the club. Rod Flinchbaugh is planning to order medium T-shirts (so if interested in this size, please let Rod know).

New Club Sweatshirts. Rod took a survey to see how many would be interested in ordering sweatshirts and he had enough interest to place an order. The price will be \$11.00 for the large and extra large and \$13.00 for

the XXL. Look for these at an upcoming meeting.



Boy Scouts Carving Session.

The club is planning to sponsor a carving session with 15-20 Boy Scouts from the Spring Grove troop.

Due to a conflict with the Boy Scouts' schedule, the sessions scheduled for the mornings of January 11 and 25, 2003 have been cancelled, and we hope to reschedule in February or March. We are still in the organizing stages and need volunteers. Please contact Doug Gabel to get more details!

Treasurer's Report- All bills are paid! Treasury stands at \$4,226.30.

Club-sponsored Seminars

Butch Dahl, seminar chairperson, will be in Florida from January through March; Ed Otto will be the contact person for seminars while Butch and Mary are enjoying the sun.

Ed can be reached at 717-243-9114 or ottoe@pa.net. Butch can still be reached on his cell phone at 717-514-1331 or on email at dahlmb@earthlink.net.

Below is the tentative plan for 2003. More details will follow

as Butch and/or Ed firm up plans.

Ed Otto- Cottonwood Bark Carving- January 18th, Cost \$30

Curt Kirtis- Carving an Elk- August 22-25th, cost TBD.

Vic Hood- Carving a Human Figure. September 20,21,22. Cost TBD.

Pete Ortel- Caricature, Monday and Tuesday following our 2003

show.

Dave Sabol- Pirate with many other items attached! Possibly two weekends in May or June. Cost TBD.

Note that Carving Classes make a great gift (for yourself and others!) any time during the year.

Wood Wizard

The Wood Wizard program will *not* be continued in 2003. However, this is not an excuse to stop carving!

The planning council hopes to replace the Wood Wizard with another program and would like

to hear ideas from you — please talk to any officer.

A great big thank you to Rod Flichbaugh who was in charge of the Wood Wizard.

Remember, although the wood

wizard has been discontinued, we will have Show and Tell each month as part of our meetings. We want to see your completed carvings or those masterpieces in progress.

Christmas Ornament Contest

December's contest was to carve a Christmas ornament that would hang on a tree.

The winner was **Braden Ausherman** who carved a Santa.

Other entries were:

Bob Lusk- chip carved icicle.

Ed Otto- pine wood spirit that

was carved from a branch of his Christmas tree.

Joe DeAngelis- snowman with a candle.

Bob Kelly- teddy bear.

Joe Legore- decoy with copper wings.

Rod Flinchbaugh- two sided

ornament with a Christmas tree on one side and a Santa on the other.

Abe Graybill- teddy bear sitting on a pine cone.

Carl Smith- Rocking horse and a soldier.

Thanks to all who participated.

Show and Tell

Rod Flinchbaugh had two Norwegian trolls, Knut and Tor. They were very well done.

Linda Murphy had a beautiful walking stick with a dog carved on the top. I believe it was a golden retriever. It is a Christmas present for her son. He will be thrilled, I'm sure! Linda also

had a picture of a buck that she wood burned. Many hunters would like to get a buck as nice as that!

Bob Kelly had two teddy bear ornaments that were made from a pattern he copied from a kitchen magnet. Another great idea.

Cliff Rosborough had three spoons and a letter opener. The spoons were made out of figured maple, mulberry and English walnut. The letter opener had an eagle carved at the top. They were all beautifully done.

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