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Highlights of the May meeting

Sweatshirts are in! If you have ordered a sweatshirt with the club logo, come and get it! The sweatshirts have arrived and Rod and Sonja have them. Cost is \$13.



Bus Trip to Artistry in Wood Show- At this writing, there is room for only one more person on the bus. However, if you are interested, Bill Zech is establishing a "waiting list" in the event that someone is unable to go. See Bill if you are interested in the last spot (if still available) or if you want to be on the waiting list.

Upgrades to the Carving Room- President Rod reported that the new lighting upgrades to the room have been completed and the room looks a lot brighter. In addition, Rod reported that the air conditioner will be cleaned in order to increase the efficiency of the unit.

Extra Mile Award- Rod is soliciting candidates for the annual Extra Mile Award given out at the club banquet in November. If you have a candidate in mind, please forward to Rod the individual's name along with his or her contributions to the club.

Friendship Cane project- It has been decided that the Friendship Cane will be auctioned off at the show in October. There is still time to get pieces in to include with the cane. Friendship cane pieces will be accepted until July (bring to the picnic).

 **Picnic-** The picnic will be at the EBACC during our July 20 meeting starting at 1:00 pm (this will be in place of our regular meeting). The cost is \$4.00 per member and \$8.00 for non-members. Please note that the cost is NOT refundable. Forward your payment to Bill Zech, 1739 Oakley Drive, Dover, PA 17315-3847 (make checks pay-

able to Conewago Carvers) if you are interested in attending the picnic and eating the pig!

Purchase Awards prizes to be awarded at the picnic- This year, the club will be selecting two carved pieces and paying \$125 for each carving. The carvings will then be used as raffle prizes for our show. Each member will vote for the best two carvings at the picnic. So, get busy!

On a very sad note- Darvin Heim, long time carver and friend to all, passed away on May 6. Darvin was an active carver participating in the Tuesday night sessions as well as teaching/helping others learn to carve. The club has made a donation to the Diabetes Foundation in Darvin's name.



Treasurer's Report- Balance is approximately \$2,600 with the light expense (\$1,200) having been paid.

See you June 15 at the EBACC!

Our next meeting will be June 15, 2003. Our guest speaker is Jim Getty who will talk about antique hand tools.

Anyone who has an antique tool and wants it evaluated, appraised, or to sell, bring it to the meeting to share!

Club-sponsored Seminars

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

Butch is back from Florida so if you have questions on the seminars, please contact Butch.

There are openings for the Curt

Kirtis, Vic Hood, and Dave Sabol seminars. Pete Ortel class is full!

Curt Kirtis- Carving an Elk- August 22-25 (four days), cost \$225, plus \$30 for the blank.

Vic Hood- European Style carving. September 20,21,22. Cost TBD. TWO slots left.

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

Dave Sabol- Pirate or Santa caricature, **TWO** weekend seminar (October 11,12 and 18,19), cost is \$175.00

Show and Tell

The table was overflowing because we didn't have a meeting in April since it fell on Easter Sunday.

Rod Flinchbaugh- Caricature of an elderly gentleman finished with tung oil and wax.

Gary Peiffer- A bunny in a basket from a Dave Sabol design.

Bill Zech- Brought in a Friendship cane piece and a mule with a buzzard on its back.

Joe DeAngelis- A Friendship cane piece and a golf ball cage carving from Wood Carvers Illustrated.

Carl Smith- Carl also brought in a Friendship cane piece of an Indian.

Ed Otto- Two bark carvings, one made from cottonwood and the other made from birch (which was checking, but Ed is going to fix that).

Nick Sciortino- A chip carved plate. Nick also had a square chip carved hat that fit on his square human head.

Bill Martin- Contributed a carving for the club Friendship cane with a German wax finish.

Jack Miller- Brought in a fish decoy that took a first in cate-

gory at the Ward show. Also had a turkey that he carved as a commission piece.

Cliff Rosborough- A Mother's Day Celtic cross, a dozen smaller crosses to be used as door prizes, and four small spoons mounted on a frame.

Butch Dahl- Butch was busy in Florida! He had a caricature of a man holding a hat (Retirement Fund!), a mask finished with a German stain, a mountain man carved in bark, a small boot, and a small Uncle Sam.

Vernon Blank- A Kingfisher piece that is in progress.



Reminder: The following are due at the July meeting when all club members will vote to determine the winners:

1. Entries for the two Purchase Awards;
2. A design for the Show Exhibitors' buttons (see last month's newsletter for details);
3. Friendship Cane blocks.

Show News

Show chair Bill Zech reported that there will be an award change this year. The Larry Kampel Exhibitors Choice Award will be renamed the Larry Kampel People's Choice Award.

Show attendees will vote for the carving they believe should receive the Larry Kampel People's Choice Award. The piece must NOT be a competition piece, rather, the carving will be located at the exhibitor's table with a number that will be used

to write on the voting ballot.

The Larry Kampel People's Choice Award is limited to one entry per carver and must meet the same criteria as competition pieces (carved within the last year, etc).

Applications for tables at the show have been printed and will be mailed soon.

Also, show button designs are due to be judged at the picnic (a very busy picnic, people!).

A big thanks to Jim Gillis who will once again be coordinating the Silent Auction activities for this year's show. Please give Jim your full cooperation!

Also, a big thanks to Cliff who is coordinating the door prize carving during the Tuesday night carving sessions. These prizes will be given away at the show. Please help Cliff out or carve your own contribution to the door prize collection!

May's Program

May's program was given by our very own Larry Kampel. Larry is a long time member and supporter of the club, and we were all very happy to see him and his friend, Arletta Thomas.

Larry shared his expertise on chip carving and brought to the meeting projects he has worked on. Larry learned to chip carve

from Wayne Barton in the late 1970's. Because Larry likes clocks, he builds and carves clocks with chip carved designs on the facing and elaborately carved roofs. Larry gives the clocks away to immediate family members and is currently working on his seventh clock!

Larry also brought a stool with a

design based on a museum piece in England. We thank Larry for the time he spent on the presentation

A special treat is in store for us in September when Larry has invited us to his shop in Wellsville for our meeting. Thanks, Larry!

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CONEWAGO CARVERS ANNUAL PICNIC

DATE & TIME: July 20, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. (in place of the regular meeting)

LOCATION: East Berlin Area Community Center Pavilion

FOOD: PIG ROAST: with beverage; macaroni salad; chips; apple sauce and relish tray. Paper products will be provided.

COST: A fee of \$4.00 will be charged for each club member and his or her spouse. This is to get a head count for attendance. We must pay per count given to vendor. A fee of \$8.00 for each GUEST will be charged. Due to a restricted budget this year, there will be no refunds to members as was done in the past. Instead, the fee has been reduced to a non-refundable \$4.00.

NOTE: BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS TO RELAX. PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXT TO PAVILION.

FOR YOU BINGO FANS, CARDS AND CALLER WILL BE AVAILABLE !!!

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Please reply by July 1, 2003

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