

# Wood Splinters

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## Dues Are Due

Dues for 2012 are now being collected. They can be paid at any meeting or at the show. If you are not attending these events, please mail them as soon as possible to: Joan Hiser, 314 Enola Road, Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17013. Please make your check payable to "Conewago Carvers."

## Seminar Opportunity

The Lancaster County Woodcarvers are sponsoring a fish carving seminar with Orlando Villarreal on May 11th, 12th and 13th. It is a power carving class with a cost of \$150.00. Please contact Dave Warren at [dwarren@lcctc.org](mailto:dwarren@lcctc.org) for additional information.

## A Note From the President

Well, this is it –my last "Words from the President" message. I can't believe my term as President of the Conewago Carvers is almost at an end. I want to thank all the club members for their support and participation in the club activities throughout the year. The planning council has provided great direction to the club and has been a good sounding board for me for the last twelve months. They play an important role for the club, even though most of their work is done behind the scenes. Joe Legore was elected president at the November meeting and will be leading the club in 2012. Joe will continue many of the traditions of the club and has lots of new ideas to move the club forward in the coming year. I've had the pleasure of getting to know Joe a lot better in the past year because of his participation in so many activities and I know he will do a great job leading us. Please give him your support as we try some new endeavors in 2012. We still do not have a Secretary for 2012, so once again, I am asking each and every member to consider doing this job 2012. The duties consist of taking notes at the monthly meetings and planning council meetings, and then sending your notes to Jen Felker, the Editor of our newsletter. This role is an essential part of the club. If you will consider being the club Secretary in 2012, or have any questions, please see me, email me at [dougcarver51@comcast.net](mailto:dougcarver51@comcast.net) or call me at 717.225.6382 (home) or 717.676.7611 (cell).

The December meeting will be our annual Christmas party and Christmas ornament contest. Remember that the ornament must be able to hang on a Christmas tree branch! If you enjoy good food and good fellowship, please make sure that you attend this meeting. Please bring your favorite cookies and other goodies or maybe a drink to share with everyone else. We have a great set of programs planned for the meetings in 2012, but we are always looking for new ideas. If you would like to have a special program at a meeting, please let the members of the planning council know.

It has been my pleasure to serve you, the members of the Conewago Carvers, for the past year. You all are the ones that make this club happen; I only provided leadership for a short period of time. Keep Happening!

*Doug Gabel*

**Please remember to mark your calendars to attend the final meeting of the year on December 18th. Hope to see you there!**

## 2011 Officers

President.....Doug Gabel  
Vice President.....Rick Baker  
Secretary.....Jim Rineaman  
Treasurers.....Cliff and Ethel Rosborough  
Librarian.....Tressa Barnhart  
Assistant Librarian.....Jack Moxley  
Newsletter Editor.....Jen Felker

## About Us

Officially organized on March 14, 1992, the Conewago Carving Club was founded in East Berlin, Pennsylvania and is comprised of over one-hundred members. Each year, the club's annual Woodcarving and Wildlife Art Show attracts visitors nationwide, and the club proudly hosts several carving seminars conducted by local and nationally known woodworkers.



## Seminar Schedule 2011 and 2012

### Blue Heron, Class One—Linda Murphy\*

February 25th and 26th  
\$140.00

### Blue Heron, Class Two—Linda Murphy\*

March 3rd and 4th  
No Cost When \$140.00 Paid at Class One

### Indian Face in Cottonwood Bark—Ed Otto

March 10th and 11th  
\$60.00, Plus Bark

### Beginner Chip Carving—Nick Sciortino

March 24th  
\$35.00

### Beginner Airbrush—Linda Murphy\*

April 7th  
\$45.00, Must Have Working Airbrush

### Caricatures—Peter Ortel\*\*

April 14th and 15th  
\$150.00, Plus Rough Out

### Advanced Chip Carving—Nick Sciortino

May 5th and 6th  
\$70.00, Plus Plate

### Realistic Face—Vic Hood and Terry Brasher

May 19th, 20th and 21st  
\$200.00, Plus Wood

### Caricature Bust—Pete LeClair

June 22nd, 23rd and 24th  
\$150.00

### Caricature Animal—Bruce Henn

July 6th (Evening), 7th and 8th  
\$125.00, Plus Rough Out

### Gourd Carving, Fret Work—Bill Peoples

September 22nd  
\$40.00

### Scarecrow or Snowman—Jim Hiser

September 29th  
\$35.00, Plus Rough Out

### Old World Santa—Jim Hiser

October 13th  
\$35.00, Plus Materials

### Caricature—Chris Hammack

October 29th and 30th  
\$165.00, Plus Rough Out

### Additional Information

\*Held in Lake Meade, Pennsylvania

\*\*Held in Carlisle, Pennsylvania

*Please review the Seminar Guidelines listed in the newsletter prior to seminar sign-up for additional seminar information.*

# Merry Christmas And Happy Holidays, Carvers!

*From the 2011 Officers*



Ladies and Gentleman of the Conewago Carvers:

The main reason I can call you ladies and gentleman is because of the gracious manner in which I was treated while attending my first woodcarving show in East Berlin, Pennsylvania recently.

First, let me tell you about myself. I am very new at woodcarving. During my visit to East Berlin, I met some of the greatest people I have met in a long time and I was treated as graciously as anyone could ask. I met a few of your members, who answered all my questions without hesitation, and very enlightening, I might add. Their main concern was to increase my interest in woodcarving, which I am very grateful for. I am thankful for people like yourselves... all of you. I wish I lived closer so I could be around you great people more often. You can be very proud of yourselves.

Thanks very much again.  
Richard Peterson

## Seminar Guidelines

Please note that a fifty-percent deposit is required at sign-up for all seminars. The remaining fifty-percent is due thirty days prior to the class. Because we must make a firm commitment to our instructors, the deposit is non-refundable unless there is a waiting list or you are able to have someone fill your space in the class. Seminars are filled on a first come basis. If a class is full, your name will be placed on a waiting list. To sign-up for a particular seminar, please contact Jim Hiser by phone (717.243.0644) or email (hiser@pa.net). Your space in the class will be held for one week. If you have not made your deposit after one week, you will be removed from the class list and your space in the class will be made available to other interested members. Please make all deposit checks payable to "Conewago Carvers."



## November Planning Council Meeting Minutes

- Doug convened the meeting and asked if anyone had any ideas on what monthly programs to have for next year. He suggested that we provide our new 2012 President, Joe Legore, at least several months of programs to begin the new year. The committee agreed on programs for the first few months. Additionally, a discussion ensued regarding the possibility of bringing in carvers from other local clubs to give talks, programs, etc.
  - The council agreed on having Planning Council meetings bi-monthly again in 2012. It was further agreed that these meetings would be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., beginning in January.
  - Cliff Rosborough indicated that our 2012 lease would remain the same as this year's.
  - There was a short discussion on giving classes for "beginner woodcarvers."
- This would be done in an effort to bring new members to our club and to promote woodcarving in our community.
- Regarding the show –Cliff spoke about the decreased revenue from the show caused by the inclement weather. There was also a short discussion on how we might improve the whittling table at the show. One idea presented was to have projects using smaller pieces of wood. There will be more discussion on this matter. Doug asked the group to think about reducing the amount of money we offer to prizewinners.
  - Cliff Rosborough, Treasurer, cautioned the council that, because of falling revenues, we must "watch our spending" in 2012.
  - Doug thanked the Planning Council members for their assistance during 2011 and his term as President.
  - The meeting was adjourned.



## November Meeting Minutes

- Doug called the meeting to order.
- There were fifteen members in attendance, with no visitors or guests.
- Doug asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes – there were none.
- Treasurer's Report –Cliff gave both the October and November Reports: October Report: Balance was \$4,946.67; Net Expenses were \$4,812.63; and Net Income was \$3,870.29. November Report: Balance was \$3,970.29; Net Expenses were \$1,336.84, and Net Income was \$1,012.75. Current balance is \$3,646.20.
- Doug said we would be doing another financial audit in 2012 to stay caught up in that area.
- Librarian's Report – Everything is working well. Helen Diodato asked permission to buy some incidental supplies to maintain the library cabinet.
- Jim Hiser gave the seminar report. Jim reported that there are several new seminars added to the schedule: August 17th, 18th and 19th are "Working Marionette," with Floyd Rhadigan. September 7th, 8th and 9th are "Shallow Relief," with Bob Beerman. Jim stated that these new additions would probably complete our 2012 offerings.
- Doug read a very nice letter of appreciation from a person who attended our show in October.
- Doug gave the Show Committee Report in Kyle's absence. There was a short discussion on observations and suggestions for next year's show.
- Tuesday Night Carving Report –The following projects will be taking place: November 15th and 22nd, Old Man Walking Stick; December 6th and 13th, Chip Carved Cross; and December 20th, Toothpick holder.
- Doug reviewed the Planning Council meeting held in November.
- Doug reviewed the tentative listing of monthly meeting programs for 2012.
- Doug took motions for club officers. The following were elected to hold offices in 2012: Joe Legore – President; Rick Baker – Vice President; Cliff Rosborough – Treasurer; Librarian – Helen Diodato; Newsletter Editor – Jen Felker. Helen Diodato made a motion to close the nominations and Tressa seconded. Joe Legore made a motion to elect by acclamation and Charlie seconded. There were no nominations or volunteers for club Secretary. Doug said that there would have to be discussions on how to capture meeting minutes.
- Doug reminded everyone that the last meeting of 2011 would be held on December 18th and that attendees should bring a covered dish or desert if they can.
- Doug asked for any new business –there was none.
- There was a short show and tell.
- The meeting was adjourned.

## We're On The Web

[www.conewagocarvers.tripod.com](http://www.conewagocarvers.tripod.com)

## Get Noticed

Interested in making club members aware of your woodcarving talents or special carving classes in the monthly newsletter? Contact a club officer for information on how to place an advertisement.

## Voice Your Opinion

Have a new idea that would put a creative spin on the newsletter? Want to be a featured carver? Excited to showcase your latest carving? Contact Jen Felker at [jenfelk@yahoo.com](mailto:jenfelk@yahoo.com) to share any ideas that you feel would positively impact the monthly newsletter!



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