

Wood Splinters

Conewago Carving Club Newsletter
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Figure Carving—Don Mertz

July 8th, 9th and 10th
\$110.00

Gourd Carving—Bill Peoples

September (Date To Be Determined)
Cost To Be Determined

Caricature—D. and M. Stetson

October 31st and November 1st and 2nd
\$175.00

Chickadee—Linda Murphy*

November 5th and 6th
\$50.00

Additional Information

*Held in Lake Meade, Pennsylvania

**Held in Carlisle, Pennsylvania



A Note From the President

Kyle and I went over to the Lancaster Woodcarving and Wildlife Art Show a few weeks ago to see how the show was set up and to see if any of their exhibitors were interested in exhibiting at our show. We talked to most of the exhibitors at the show, and time and time again, we kept hearing about how friendly everyone is at our show and how enjoyable it is to be an exhibitor. You are all making the job of finding exhibitors for our show much easier. Thank you!

Speaking of exhibitors, we will have more than we have ever had at our show this year. We still have room for about eight more exhibitors, and especially need flat artists that do wildlife art to complement all the carvers. More carvers would also be good, too. If you know of a good flat artist or carver that will fit in with our show, please talk with them and then contact Kyle with the information if they are interested.

We had a good turnout at the June meeting, considering it was also Father's Day. At the June meeting, member, Fred Henderson, gave us an interesting program and showed us how he takes his plan for carving carousel horses and planning out all the pieces so that the grain is right to provide the strength he needs so that the pieces don't break. It was very much like a 3-D puzzle. He is working on his tenth one, which is going to be presented to his great grandson on his second birthday. Thanks, Fred, for presenting this program to the club members. The July program, on the 18th, will be a presentation by club member, Cliff Rosborough, demonstrating his technique for sharpening knives. Whether or not you have seen this presentation before, you will be sure to learn something from Cliff. His knives are extremely sharp! Make sure you attend this meeting if you are not in Honesdale.

Rose and John Huth have planned the club picnic and there are still a number of you whom said you are coming but have not paid. Please bring your picnic money to the June meeting. This year's picnic date is Sunday, July 31st, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact Rose and John at 717.757.4595 or hootico@verizon.net if you have questions.

Rick Baker was in charge of our participation at the Summer Blast at Lake Marburg, near Hanover. Thanks to Rick, Joe Legore and Kyle Gabel, who put in a lot of time manning the space at this show. Also, thanks to Rick Baker and Jo Stueven for donating carvings for the raffle at this event. A special thanks to Joan Hiser for filling in for Jim Rineman and taking notes at the June meeting. At the annual banquet on the Saturday night of the show, we will be presenting the Extra Mile Award, which is given annually to a club member or members who have gone out of their way to make the club a better organization. Names of any active club member or members deserving of the award are to be submitted to the President by another club member. The elected officials make the final decision based upon the nominations. Please get these nominations to me in writing no later than the September club meeting. I know it is early, but please think about volunteering to be an officer of the club in 2012. I can't believe that my term as President is half over already! You have all been so gracious and helpful. Thank you. Keep on carving!

Doug Gabel

2011 Officers

President.....Doug Gabel
Vice President.....Rick Baker
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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.



June Meeting Minutes

- Doug gave the Treasurer's Report for Cliff: May's balance was \$5,644.20 and June's balance was \$5804.72.
- Tressa Barnhart reported that the library is ready and thanked Linda Murphy and Joan Hiser for all of their help in getting it back in order. Tressa discussed a few books and let us know that we now have some DVD's and players that can be used while at the club.
- Joan Hiser reported that we signed up three new members at the Lancaster County Woodcarvers show and that there were new membership lists on the table in the club room.
- Jim Hiser updated the seminar information; there are some openings in September's Gourd Carving Class, October and November's Caricature Class with Dave Stetson, and November's Chickadee Class with Linda Murphy. Jim also mentioned that the Lancaster County Woodcarvers are sponsoring a Fish Carving Class with Orlando Villareal in May of 2012 -if there is any interest, please contact Dave Warren at dwarren@lcctc.org.
- Linda Murphy updated us on the Tuesday night carving projects. Some upcoming projects include a cane with a diamond layout. She recommended a Tiny Incra T (if you would like to do many of these) to aid in the layout.
- Doug read a show report from Kyle Gabel; we are expanding the show this year into two classrooms. The first room is already filled and the second is half filled. We will bring attendees through the lower set of doors so that they pass the new rooms before entering the main hall. There are just a few tables left.
- Helen Diadoto updated us on the banquet, which will be held Saturday evening after the show on October 29th.
- Doug reported that the picnic will be held on July 31st at 1:00 p.m. in the pavilion beside the Community Center.
- We had four entries for the show badge, with Kyle Gable winning the \$25.00 prize.
- Club Member, Fred Henderson, held a very informative class on laying out and gluing up a Carousel Horse. Fred explained his process of getting the pattern, ordering the wood, cutting the pieces out and gluing them to add strength to the joints.
- John Lovett did Show and Tell. Helen Diadoto shared a Red Head Duck that she completed in Linda Murphy's class; Dick Watkins shared a Red Tail Hawk that he carved with help on painting from Linda Murphy, and a Rose Wood Cross; Dave Graybill shared a Mallard Duck that he completed with help from Linda Murphy, and also had a carved Golf Ball from one of the Tuesday night programs; Joe Legore shared two blocks for the wall, a Loon and a Cardinal; Jo Stuvén shared a Chip Carved Block for the wall, done in a Native American theme with a story of each symbol; Joan Hiser shared a block with a Sunflower Relief Carving; and John Lovett shared a relief Carved Flag that was featured in Issue #20 of Wood Carving Illustrated.
- The next meeting will be held on Sunday, July 17th, at 2:00 p.m. The program will be Knife Sharpening, by Cliff Rosborough.

