

Wood Splinters

Conewago Carving Club Newsletter
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A Note From the President

The carving room has a new look! The room was recently painted and looks great. Thanks to Adam and Judi Ciemniecki for donating the paint for this project and thanks to all the volunteers who cleaned and painted.

John and Rose Huth are working on the club picnic and need to know if you are planning to attend. The club picnic is on for Sunday, July 31st, from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m., thanks to a lot of hard work done by John and Rose Huth, and Tressa Barnhart, who made phone calls to see that we had enough members to attend the picnic. For those attending, please be sure that you get your payment to them quickly. Reservations and money must be turned in no later than May 31st, so don't delay! Contact John and Rose at 717.757.4595 or at hootico@verizon.net if you have questions or would like to make reservations.

At the May meeting, member, Bruce Barbour, from the West Shore Carving Club, discussed how he began carving wood spirits and Civil War soldiers in barn beams. He did a great job with his presentation. It was hard to believe that this was his first presentation before a group of people. Thanks, Bruce! At our June meeting on the 19th, we plan to have one of our own members, Fred Henderson, present a program on how he cuts out and puts together pieces of wood to make the blanks for carving his carousel horses. Make sure you put these dates on your calendar!

Rick Baker is heading up our participation at the Summer Blast at Lake Marburg, near Hanover. He will be looking for volunteers to help man our table on Friday afternoon and evening; Saturday, all day; and Sunday, all day. The event is scheduled for June 24th, 25th and 26th. Give him a hand by volunteering for an hour or more. This is a great publicity opportunity for our club, and shoo, they expect over *forty-thousand* people to attend! Contact Rick at 717.334.1292 or rickybaker71@embarqmail.com to help. A big thanks to Jim Hiser for doing a great job getting all of the information out to the club members with email addresses.

Don't forget that the Lancaster Show is scheduled for June 4th and 5th in Lancaster at the Farm and Home Center. The club will have a table there. Speaking of shows, I talked with Kyle this evening (5.18.2011), and table reservations are coming in fast. The numbers are way ahead of last year. If you want a table, and we aren't sold out by the time you get the newsletter, you should contact him immediately at conewagocarvers92@gmail.com or 717.676.7612.

Doug Gabel

Exhibitor Badge Competition Memo

This year's competition will be held at the June meeting. Your design must include "Conewago Carvers," "Woodcarving and Wildlife Art Show," "October 29th and 30th" and reference to the "holiday" theme. Questions? Contact Kyle Gabel at kylemgabel@gmail.com or 717.676.7612.



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.



May Planning Council Meeting Minutes

- Doug Gable brought the meeting to order.
- Doug said that there would not be a July Planning Council meeting –the next scheduled meeting will be in September.
- An audit of the club's financial records was discussed –Cliff advised that records must be kept for a period of seven years. After that, they can be shredded.
- Checking account signatures have been finalized with the bank.
- Joe LeGore made a suggestion that the club offer a free table to Mitch Galaway – Doug said that this would be taken under consideration.
- Tuesday night carving turnouts have been a bit down. It was thought that good weather had something to do with fewer members participating.
- Codorus Blast –it was thought that we could close the club table at about 7:30 p.m. each evening. Also, Jim Hiser said that he has a tent canopy that the club can borrow for the Blast.
- There was a short discussion on monthly meeting programs for the rest of the year.
- There was a discussion on getting youth carvers involved with the club. To that end, marketing methods were discussed.
- There was a discussion on show flyers and how many should be printed. These flyers can be used at the Codorus Blast event as handouts.

Additional Notes:

- Ten tables have been reserved so far; please get your table reservations in early.
- We need someone to be in charge of and organize the silent auction at the show.
- We will be advertising the show in the EBACC newsletter, which is circulated to over thirteen-thousand homes.
- Woodcarving Illustrated has again put an advertisement for the show in the magazine, free of charge.

Vic Hood Class



Seminar Schedule 2011

Caricatures—Pete LeClair

June 24th, 25th and 26th
\$150.00

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



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."



May Meeting Minutes

- Doug Gable brought the monthly meeting to order.
- There were twenty-four members in attendance.
- Cliff gave the Treasurer's Report: Balance, \$8598.00; Expenses, \$2939.00; Income, \$694.00.
- Cliff said that we would be keeping our financial records for seven years –records older than seven years could be shredded.
- The updating of our library is continuing.
- Joan Hiser reported that three new members have joined.
- Jim Hiser gave a report on the status of upcoming seminars.
- Rick Baker reported on the Codorus Summer Blast. He said that over 40,000 people are expected to attend during the three day event. He said that there were sign-up sheets for volunteering time at the club table and asked that anyone who can help sign up.
- Kyle Gable gave a show report. There are already ten tables sold. The show theme this year is "holidays." Additionally, we still are in need of someone to head up the silent auction.
- Gary Peiffer reported on advertising and Doug asked everyone to bring forward any ideas on how to best market our club.
- Linda Murphy gave a report on the Tuesday night carving projects. She also asked for volunteers to teach some of the future projects so that she wouldn't have to do them all.
- Judi Ciemniecki gave a report on the carving blocks project and reminded everyone that they are due back by the September 18th monthly meeting. Also, Judi brought in the display presentation board, which is for use at any of our public presentations, shows, etc.
- John and Ruth Huth reported on the picnic plans. We only have twenty signed up so far, and the caterer requires at least forty. Jim Hiser was asked to send out another email to members reminding them of the picnic and the sign-up requirement. The picnic is scheduled for July 31st.
- Doug reminded everyone that the next planning council meeting will be held on September 13th and mentioned that anybody who would like to participate is welcome.
- Doug said it is very expensive for individual members to supply snacks for our monthly meetings, so the club will reimburse anyone who volunteers to get the snacks and bring them to the monthly meeting.
- Jim Hiser said that the club needs a corded drill and an adjustable wrench for use at times. Cliff Rosborough said that he would donate these items to the club.
- Show and Tell –there were several 8" x 8" blocks brought in for the club room. It was noted that the chip carvers are leading the charge in this fun project. Linda Murphy brought in several of her carved ducks, one of which won a prize at the Worlds. Jack brought in a carved caricature, as did John Huth.
- Bruce Barbour, from West Shore Carvers, was the program speaker and gave a wonderful discussion on old barn beam carvings.

Congrats!

Member, Linda Murphy, received third place in *Advanced Decorative Life-Size Floating Waterfowl* for her Mallard Duck carving at the 41st Annual Ward World Championship on April 30th, in Ocean City, Maryland. The competition is an international event held at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center.



Extreme Makeover — Conewago Edition!

Judi Ciemnieski, Rick Baker, Jack Moxley and Joan Hiser put in a long, hard day. The club room looks terrific now!



We're On The Web

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 to share any ideas that you feel would positively impact the monthly newsletter!



Tuesday Night Project List

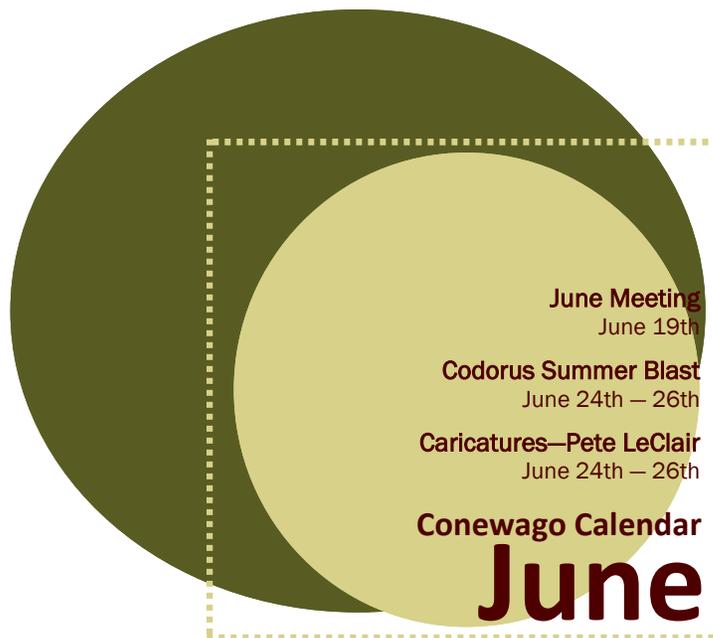
June 7th: **Golf Ball—Part One**, *Cliff Rosborough*

June 14th: **Golf Ball—Part Two**, *Cliff Rosborough*

June 21st: **Wooden Pliers**, *Guest Carvers*

FOR SALE

Interested in a solid handmade carving bench? This bench was used by a duck carver. There is a seat where the carver can sit down and a fixture so that any type of carving can be attached firmly if the carver wishes to use two hands. The bench folds up and can be carried like a suitcase! There are additional jigs to affix to the table of the bench to hold down the carving. The table on the bench rotates to different positions. The bench is available for \$50.00 for the whole set up. Please contact Gary Peiffer at 717.235.4944, 717.654.7633 or gmpeiffer@aol.com for more details.



June Meeting
June 19th

Codorus Summer Blast
June 24th – 26th

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June

