

Wood Splinters

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A Note From the President

Rose and John Huth have done a great job planning our annual picnic and it was a big success. The food was great and everyone had a good time playing Bingo. Thanks to Rose and John for organizing the picnic for the last five years! Thanks to Joe Legore, Don Karnas and Charlie Bixler, who worked at the York County 4-H Fair on August 13th, promoting wood carving and our show. Last call –we still have room for about seven more exhibitors and especially need flat artists that do wildlife art to complement all the carvers. More carvers would be good, too. If you know of a good flat artist or carver that will fit in at our show, please talk with them and contact Kyle at 717.676.7612 with the information if they are interested.

We had a strong turnout at the August meeting, had good discussions on a number of ideas and were given an excellent program by Joan Hiser. At the August meeting, Joan gave us a very informative program on mixing colors, enhancing yucky colors and painting techniques. There were several questions and Joan had a lot of ideas for everyone there. I learned a lot and know I have to practice painting a lot more! Thanks, Joan, for presenting this program to the club members. The September program, (September 18th), will be a presentation by club member, Nick “Koz” Sciortino, on how to set up a display for a show or other exhibit to make it attractive to visitors and attract buyers. Don’t miss this program, as we have not had a program on like this since I have been a member of the club... and I’m sure Koz will make it very interesting.

Don’t forget that we will be presenting the Extra Mile Award to a club member at the Annual Banquet on the Saturday of the show. This is an award that 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 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.

The carving blocks that are going to be used to decorate the carving room are due back at the September meeting. Please make sure you get them in because part of the agreement is that if you don’t turn them in, there is a financial price to pay!

I know it is early, but please think about volunteering to be an officer of the club in 2012. Nominations from the Planning Council are to be submitted to the membership at the October club meeting. This means that we will be coming up with nominees at the September 13th Planning Council meeting. Being an officer is a great experience! You get so much support from the other members and the Planning Council that being an officer is much easier than you think. If you will consider being an officer in 2012, please see me or any other member of the Planning Council. I am two thirds of the way through my term as President, and it has been a lot of fun working closely with so many members and seeing so much accomplished by the club. We plan to start the 50/50 raffle again at the September meeting. Keep on carving!

Doug Gabel



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.



Colonial Days Recap

Doug Gabel has reported that the club's Colonial Days booth was a real hit! Many, many attendees were interested in the Tuesday night carving projects and a lot of visitors said that they were interested in coming to our show —some were even unaware of our annual show! Others knew of youth whom are currently carving and may be interested in entering the show competitively.

We also found a flat artist and another carver who both seemed very interested in exhibiting at our show. All in all, it was a very exciting and rewarding day!

Thank you to all members who participated! We appreciate your time in an effort to bringing public awareness to our club and sharing your talents with others.

August Meeting Minutes

- Doug Gabel brought the meeting to order and thanked everyone for coming to the August monthly meeting.
- There were seventeen members attending and no visitors.
- Treasurer Report – Cliff said that there was no income reported this month. Expenses were \$395.00 and the treasury balance is \$4596.83.
- Librarian Report – Tressa reported that DVD's can now be signed out.
- Membership Report – Joan Hiser reported that we have one new member, Brian Borrer.
- Jim Hiser gave an updated status on seminars. He also reported that the Stetson seminar has been cancelled.
- Doug discussed upcoming events: Colonial Days is September 9th, 10th and 11th. Doug will head up this event for the club and has asked for volunteers to carve and talk to booth visitors. There were sign-up sheets available at the meeting. Doug asked that he be contacted if you are interested in volunteering.
- Kyle Gabel went over the Show Committee status. Kyle had a draft of the show poster for everyone to review. Minor changes were suggested.
- Tuesday Night Carvings: Walking stick project is being done on August 16th and 23rd. The two sided Santa will be done September 13th and 20th.
- Doug reminded everyone that the 8 x 8 blocks are due by next month's monthly meeting or a penalty of \$20.00 will be assessed.
- Tressa conducted the Show and Tell part of the meeting.
- Doug led a very short discussion on publicizing the club.
- Doug complimented John and Rose Huth on the great job they did organizing the picnic. Next year, they would like someone else to handle it since they have been doing it for the past several years.
- Doug reminded everyone that the next Planning Council meeting is scheduled for September 13th at 7:00 p.m.
- Doug reminded attendees that we need some volunteers to bring refreshments to future meetings and that there is a sign up sheet at the front of the room.
- Joan Hiser gave a program on painting carvings. She demonstrated several techniques with everyone gathered around. She talked about brushes, paints, blending colors to make them appear richer and dry brushing.
- Doug adjourned the meeting.

Seminar Schedule 2011

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

Show Update

- Mitch Galloway will be the Featured Artist at the Show.
- All proceeds from the ornament sale will benefit ForSight Vision of York.
- Only seven tables remain... get your exhibitor applications in as soon as possible!
- Please keep carving door prizes and ornaments.
- Dig out those old magazines and books that you don't want any more –we will have tables set up to sell them, with the proceeds benefiting the club.
- Don't forget to sign up to help out at the show!
- The next Show Committee meeting will be held on September 18th, at 1:00 p.m.



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."



You're Invited!

Make your reservations today for the 2011 Conewago Carvers Dinner Banquet on Saturday, October 29th. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. The banquet will be held conveniently across the street from the East Berlin Area Community Center at the Zwingli UCC Church. Entertainment, featuring Sophie Glutz, a Pennsylvania Dutch comedian, will follow. The cost is \$8.50, per person. Reservations must be made in advance no later than October 16th. Please feel free to invite your family and friends for good food and fellowship at the annual banquet! The carvers look forward to seeing you there!

Conewago Carvers Dinner Banquet

It's the icing on the cake to the Woodcarving & Wildlife Art Show!

Member Name: _____
Number of Attendees: _____
Amount Enclosed: _____

Bring Your Appetite!



Clip out the attendance coupon and send it with payment to banquet organizer, Helen Diodato, at 322 Maple Drive, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331.

Note: Please make all checks payable to "Conewago Carvers." The Banquet Attendance Coupon will only appear in the monthly newsletter during the month of September and October, so please be sure to make your reservations now. Reservations **MUST** be made by October 16th. If your plans to attend are still "up in the air," please clip the coupon from this month's newsletter and keep it for possible future use.

The menu will include: roasted chicken, roast beef, filling, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit cup, salad, apple pie with ice cream, coffee and tea.

Sign up for an evening of food and fellowship now and enjoy time spent with your fellow members! Thank you for your support.

Woodcarving & Wildlife

This Fall!
October 29th
And 30th!

ART SHOW

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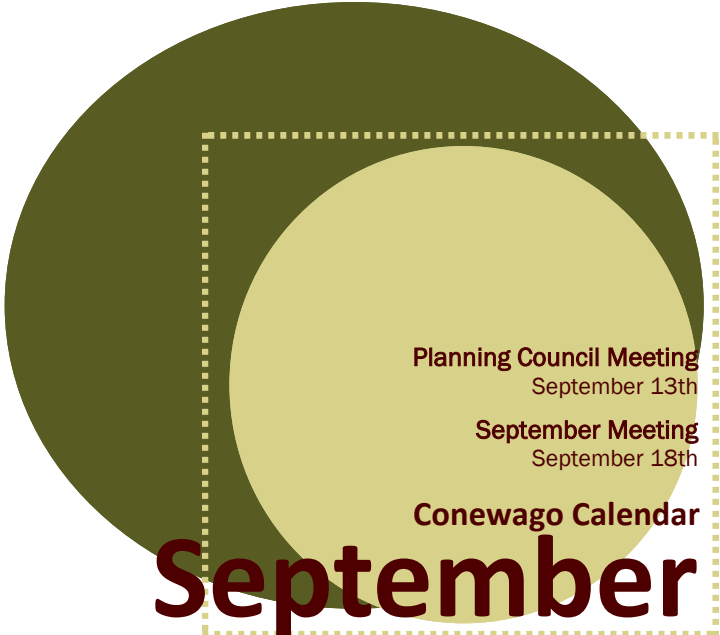
Get Noticed

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!





Planning Council Meeting
September 13th

September Meeting
September 18th

Conewago Calendar

September

