



CONEWAGO CARVERS NEWSLETTER – December 2018

President's Monthly Message

November Meeting

Our November 18 meeting was called to order at 2 pm. We had a new guest, Bob Leighty and welcomed him. Jack Moxley is expecting to get out of rehab soon and we wish him a speedy recovery. We missed seeing Carl & Tressa, so we dropped them a card. Deb Obenstine is enduring rigorous treatment, please keep her and Jim in your thoughts and prayers.



Treasurer's Report – Dave Parker gave the treasurer's report.

Show Report – Doug Gabel gave a show report. We had about 530 attendees, 100 veterans. Kyle and Doug may post more later.

Membership –Joan Hiser gave the membership report. It is approaching 200! That would be a great number!!

Seminar Report - Mike Nowakowski gave a seminar report. Several classes are filling up, so if you want in a class, send your money and sign up now.

Carving Sessions

We will be carving on Tuesday evenings 6-8 pm every week. Also, starting Dec. 5, we will be offering Wednesday Morning 10 am to Noon carving sessions. Don Karnas has graciously volunteered to teach chip carving. Of course, everyone is welcome to work on their own projects as well. The first session on Dec. 5 was very well attended and we plan on continuing indefinitely. We need volunteers and ideas.

Election of Officers

The following officers were unanimously elected:

President – Patsy Hartnett
Vice President – Gary Vreeland
Treasurer – Dave Parker

Secretary – Bob Nesbit
Librarian – Linda Murphy
Assistant Librarian – Jack Moxley

Show and Tell



Clockwise from upper left – Projects from Linda’s woodburning seminar: Patsy Hartnett with field mouse, Don Karnas’ fawn, Nancy Hendrickson’s dogwood flowers, Jay Hendrickson’s cardinal, Gary Vreeland’s green man face; Mike Nowakowski’s nested scroll saw penquins, mice and cross; Phyllis Stone’s pilgrim and butterfly.



Show and Tell (continued)



Clockwise from upper left – Joan Hiser “repurposed” Jim’s Hobo blank into a well-dressed Snowman complete with a bluebird on his hat; Boyd Shomaker’s landscape painting recently completed at Linda’s shop; Linda Murphy with comfort cross and Christmas Stocking examples for Tuesday Night projects.



Left- Jim Hiser with examples of his latest project series, the Gator Cajun Band (squeeze box and wash board). Let Jim know what future band members you would like to see (maybe a wash tub bass or a banjo, Jim)?

Equipment Enhancements – Dave Murphy showed us a mobile base he made for the drill press and a cart with reinforcements (assist by Gary Vreeland) for the scroll saw (saw donated to the club through the efforts of Darrell Schrade) so they can be readily moved in and out of service.

Class Pictures from Linda Murphy's Woodburning Seminars



Nov. 3-4 (cw from upper left): Wayne Benedict, Lew Goodhart, Randy Kollar, Mike Nowakowski, Darlene Wotring, Charlotte Warner, Karla Harman.

Nov. 10-11 (below, cw from upper left): Bill Sowers, Angie Freeman, Jill Vamos, Barry Finkenbinder, Don Karnas, Gary Vreeland, Rob Nesbit, Jay Hendrickson, Stacy Tuomey, Nancy Hendrickson and Patsy Hartnett. Darell Schrade (absent).



November Meeting Program – Linda Murphy presented a slide show on the Artistry in Wood Show held in Wilmington, OH. A special thanks to Dave Murphy for taking pictures at the show and organizing them into a presentation.

Our club was well represented at the show this year:



Website

The newsletter section of our website has not been updated since April 2017. Kyle does so much for the club with the show in addition to managing a career and making time for his family, there are only so many hours in the day! We still have copies of all of these newsletters. It might be as simple as uploading the PDF copy of the newsletter when it comes out each month to the designated storage location and activating the link location that already exists on our website newsletter page. Anyone who has concerns, suggestions or expertise to offer in this area with willingness to volunteer your assistance, please contact Kyle Gabel.

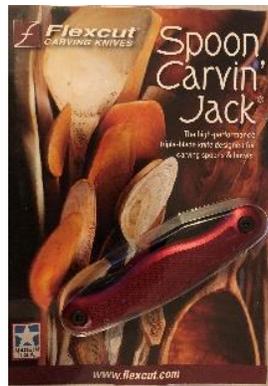


Congrats to Gary Vreeland who won the friendship cane at the Westshore Woodcarvers Show. Gary brought the cane to our November meeting for all to see.



The 2018 Christmas Party, December 16, 2018 at 2 pm, aka celebrating the end of Linda's latest term as President, depending upon how you look at it (lol)! I am planning on bringing pulled pork BBQ sliders and hope everyone brings other dishes to go with it. This is a great opportunity to share the camaraderie of other carvers, friends, food and drink.

Our club has leftovers from the silent auction as well as items people brought in too late to go in the auction that will be drawn from a hat. We have 3 nice fish, birds, a knife, rough outs, odds and ends of wood, books, DVDs, *etc.* Flex-Cut donated an awesome Spoon Knife (\$125 value) which will also be drawn from the hat.





I personally will be bringing several gifts to be given to specific people. It is fun to give and share gifts, some nice, some funny, some new and some old. Last year I was given a miniature tool box with all of the necessary supplies I would need to carve in Florida. I hold it near to my heart and will treasure it forever. We hope others will bring gifts too, but this is NOT required. It is more important just that you come to the party. You can name a person your gift is to be given to or just pull a name from the hat. If you get something not quite right for you, you can do some "horse trading" or give it to someone who you know can use it. *Come and join the fun.*

Will also have our traditional people's choice Christmas ornament competition, with great fame and fortune (\$10) going to the winner!

Upcoming Monthly Meetings

We are presently working on the monthly meeting programs for **2019**. If you have any ideas or would like to do one, contact Patsy Hartnett at **717-334-0795** or **cuppatea@embarqmail.com**.

January 2019– Gary Vreeland on Turning and Don Karnas on chip carving wood turnings

February 2019– Andy Mahrer on Architectural Carving

March 2019– Patsy Hartnett on Canes

April 14, 2019 (early due to Easter) Cliff Rosborough - Sharpening

May, 2019 Fred Henderson – How to lay out Carousel Horses

June, 2019 Mike Nowakowski – Scroll Sawing

July 2019- Available

August 2019– Jim Hiser on working with leather

September 2019- Carvings with Special Meaning – Everybody will bring a carving that was given to you by someone else to show to the group and say a few words about why it means what it does to you.

October 2019– The Gabel's on the Show plus Pumpkin Carving Competition

November 2019– The Obenstine's on the Dayton Show

December 2019– Christmas Party

Future Planning Meeting Dates are Jan. 9, April 10, July 10 and Oct. 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Tuesday Night Projects

Tuesday night programs are doing well. Thanks to everyone that offers to teach.

Jan. 8 & 22: Carve a Ball in a Cage – Bob Hershey

Feb. 8 & 15: Carve two Ornaments – Ralph Burdick

These classes are guaranteed to change so check the schedule each month.

We are waiting on someone to teach a whale tail or pelican golf club head (maybe Joan Hiser?).

We are also looking for a volunteer to teach carving of golf balls (we have a volunteer to cut them in half).



Upcoming Woodcarving Events in our Region

Lancaster Woodcarving & Wildlife Art Festival - March 16-17, 2019

Ward World Championship Wildfowl Competition - April 26-28, 2019

Welcome, Welcome, Welcome

A highly important, unofficial new appointment has been made by the outgoing President, The Welcoming Queen – Connie Hoover. The next time you see Connie, ask her to tell you about it.

Closing Comments

I am looking forward to seeing you ALL at our December 16th Meeting and Christmas Party! Thank you for all the support the members have given me over the last two years as your President. Please be sure to share the same support with our new incoming President, Patsy Hartnett.

Linda Murphy