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May 2023 Newsletter

Spring is a very busy time of the year and the grass is growing very fast these days. If we are not mowing we are planting our gardens. As carvers we are a busy bunch.

Our April meeting was well attended and we got a lot of business taken care of. Our program was provided by Ken Mertz. He is very accomplished on the scroll saw and many of you know him as a person to go to if you need help on one of the machines. He brought in several beautiful pieces he has made and talked about he got started making his clocks. Beautiful work, Thank you so much Ken.

During the meeting we discussed finding a new seminar coordinator. Carla has been doing a great job but her aging parents need more time so she is stepping back and we are looking for someone to step up. The job involves contacting teachers and instructors in order to schedule our seminars. This job could be handled entirely online and via telephone. A new seminar

schedule is usually presented in time for our show in October for the following year and involves setting up classes for approximately 10 – 15 seminars. You would not handle money or students signing up. Please contact me (cuppateafor2@gmail.com) or Carla Harman (krh2040@yahoo.com) if you have an interest or questions.

Classes for 2023 are filling up and our very first one for the 2023 season was at the end of April. If you have been thinking of signing up for a class now is the time.

Tuesday April 25th we had another all day carve. We had 8 people for the day with another 6 coming in for the evening. It is amazing how much you get done in a day. Our next all day carve is May 30th from 9 am to 8pm.

We have so many new faces and so many helpful mentors for the newest carvers. Thank you all for sharing your skills.

If you have any events you would like to see in the newsletter please send me a note at cuppateafor2@gmail.com thank you. I have the newsletter finished and to the editor by the first of the month.

I have included the list of seminars on one of the following pages. Signups are happening right now and a deposit of money is necessary to hold your place in the class.

Calendar of Events for MAY

Our GENERAL MEETING is the third Sunday in the month. The May meeting will be on the 21st at 2:00 in the club room. Dick Lee will present a slide show of European carvings from the Armenian and Georgia area. Dick traveled to these areas and took photos. He will share the beautiful carvings he saw there. Refreshments will be provided.

Tuesday evening carve 6pm to 8pm

Tuesday evening projects: We are always looking for someone to teach a Tuesday night project. If you have something you would be willing to share talk to Patsy and she will get the word out.

We have a wonderful Thursday morning carve every week at the club room. This is a great time for those who are able to come and the coffee pot is on. We meet from 9 to 12.

May's all day carve will be Tuesday May 30. This is a great time to set aside a large block of time for your own carving. Doors open at 9am and close at 8pm. This is a time to use the band saw and the scroll saws. Someone will be there to help you if you need instruction on these tools. A food table is set up so bring something to share and enjoy a day of carving.

UPCOMING

HAVER DE GRACE DECOY AND WILDLIFE FESTIVAL
May 5, 6, & 7

June 15 - 17

Pennsylvania Gourd Festival will be held on June 15 – 17.
Lebanon Valley Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA

- 3 days of classes for all skill levels.
- Tool and Supply Venders
- Make and Take opportunities.
- For more information, www.pagourdsociety.org

July 19 – 22, 2023

BUCKEYE WOODCARVERS ROUNDUP

<https://buckeyewoodcarversroundup.webs.com/>

the link will give you more information about the event and the teachers.

July 16 – 20th

Northeast Woodcarvers Roundup

Cherry Ridge Campsites, 147 Camp Road, Honesdale, PA

For more information:

<http://cherryridgecarvers.org/northeast-woodcarvers-roundup/2023-northeast-woodcarvers-roundup/>

Sign up for a seminar, come to an all-day carve, enjoy a Tuesday evening project, or meet the Thursday crowd.
Remember we are here to Carve and Have Fun!

That's it for now.

Patsy Hartnett,

President

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Seminar sheet
And the
Secretary minutes.

Conewago Carvers 2023 Seminar Registration Form

Students Name:

Club Member: YES NO

Email address:

Telephone number

Cash amount Received

check #

check amount received

Instructor Name	Class	Dates	Cost	final payment
Vic Hood	Realistic Bust	4/29-5/1	\$280/\$305	3/1
Bruce Stake	Caricature	5/6-5/7	\$90/\$100	3/6
Ken Martz	Scroll Saw	6/6	\$45/\$50	4/6
Roger Segall	Caricature	6/9-6/11	\$190/\$215	4/9
Don Karnas	Beginner Chip Carving	6/17	\$45/\$50	4/17
Jen Nailor	Pine Needle Basket or Gourd	6/24-6/25	\$100/\$110	4/24
Don Karnas	Intermediate Chip Carving	7/15	\$45/\$50	5/15
Josh Walters	Bark Houses	7/22-7/23	\$90/\$100	5/22
Joan Hiser	Paint your own Carving	7/29-7/30	\$90/\$100	5/29
Ryan Olsen	Flat Plane Carving	8/4-8/6	\$280/\$300	6/4
Kathy Overcash	Bark wood Spirit	8/19-8/20	\$75/\$85	6/19
Mike Nowakowski	Scroll Saw	8/26	\$45/\$50	6/26
Gary Falin	Caricature	9/15-9/17	\$190/\$215	7/15
David Cummings	Sharpening on Burke/hand	9/15-1/17	\$35/\$45	7/15
Joe Savarese	Relief Angel	9/23-9/24	\$110/\$120	7/23
Rich Wetherbee	sculpy,bark or roughout	10/6-10/8	\$280/\$305	8/6
Jim Feather	Caricature Figure from block	10/21-10/22	\$90/\$100	8/21
Linda Murphy	Wood Burning	11/4-11/5	\$90/\$100	9/4
Butch Clark	Bird Carving	11/10-11/12	\$175-\$200	9/10

Registration forms and payment should be sent to:

Gary Peiffer
 20 Spruce Court
 Manchester, PA 17345

Full payment is expected 60 days before the class begins. This will allow us time to cancel the class if we do not get the minimum amount of students needed. Students will receive a full refund if the club cancels the class.

MINUTES
GENERAL MEETING
CONEWAGO CARVERS– APRIL 16, 2023

CALLED TO ORDER: 2:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: 16

Minutes of the last minutes were accepted as read.

TREASURERS REPORT: The current balances are \$\$3,940.11 in Fulton Bank and a balance of \$34,322.79 in ACNB.

SEMINARS: The first seminar of the season will be on the 29th of this month and it is a bust assisted by Vic Hood. Remember **you cannot park at the Community Center for this event**. Connie has offered parking at her home so check with her prior to the event for arrangements. Directions will be going out prior to the class for those participating. The class is full. Ken will be available on Friday evening to assist those helping Vic with unloading his equipment and entrance into the building for the classes. Thanks to Ken for being there for us.

Five other classes are full so check the seminar list before signing up to check availability.

LOST AND FOUND: It seems we have a need for a location for items who have gone astray. A box will be placed near the front door for lost or misplaced pieces. Check it from time to time to see if you are missing something or just forgot you lost it: it could end up on the auction table.

SHOWS: Within the next few weeks ads will be running in the Woodcarving Illustrated, Waterfowl and Chip Chats magazines with updates about our shows.

The Gourd Festival is June 15-17 this year.

GENERAL DISCUSSION: Ken was telling the group about a great chain saw show he attended in Ft. Loudon that had over a hundred vendors. This may be a good place for us to consider in the future to get our name out.

We are also still looking for people to do demonstrations on Tuesday nights. See Patsy if you can help out.

Gary was mentioning Matt Autland makes knives and is making Matz knives if you are interested, he is at 146 W. Philadelphia Street. It is called Pills Penn Shop.

There are still complaints about the noise from the band saw so we will be trying some other locations for it in an attempt to resolve the problem. If you have any other suggestions, please bring them to the attention of the board as we are open to, and appreciate, any of your ideas.

If you have anything you want to share in the newsletter, you must get this information to Patsy by the first of the month so that it can be added. Speak up this is your club and your ideas are important and appreciated.

PROGRAM: Ken Martz presented a program on his scroll saw. He brought in a wall clock that was done on the scroll saw that took over 40 hours just to cut the parts. It was beautiful.

Ken has been doing his craft for over 32 years.

Ken has always been willing to help anyone in the club with the equipment in the back and has taught small classes on the scroll saw and band saw and shared his knowledge willingly with those who needed assistance with their projects.

He is currently working on a large scroll saw clock and hopefully we will get to see it upon completion.

Thanks Ken for your demonstration and all your help.