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JULY 2024 Newsletter

Our website is being updated regularly. You can reference the newsletter, minutes and various forms for seminars membership, show tables, volunteering, etc. Please take a few minutes and check it out. <http://www.conewagocarvers.com/>

Membership:

Our membership dues will come due in the fall for the 2025 year. Donnie Lee Clark is the membership person and will be accepting dues at the October show. We will be purging our membership mailing list shortly. We will only be removing those members who have not renewed their membership for the current year. If you do not receive a newsletter in August and you paid your membership for 2024 please email Donnie Lee Clark at dustydawg3894@gmail.com

SEMINARS

Now is the time to sign up for classes. Each class has a minimum and a maximum number of students. Almost every class has hit the minimum but there is often a single seat left to hit the maximum. If the class is full you will be put on the waiting list and notified if someone needs to cancel. Last minute cancelations often occur. All questions about classes need to go to Gary Pieffer.

Classes generally start at 9am unless you are notified different and they finish at the discretion of the teacher.

- Bruce Stake's, Character carving class is July 13 – 14. Bruce is a fantastic carver and really breaks down the proportions for carving fantastic faces. I highly recommend it. Cost \$100. There are 4 students but Bruce will take 6.
- Don Karnis has his intermediate Chip Carving class July 20 He has 7 students but will take 10. Cost is \$50 plus supplies.
- Kathy Overcash class is completely filled but a waiting list is available and we often have last minute cancelations so if you are interested in the Marionette class that cost is \$165 and+ supplies and will be held July 26-28
- Donnie Lee Clarke will be teaching Cottonwood Bark Wood Spirits August 10-11 \$100 + Supplies the class has several openings.
- David Sable 6, 7 and 8th September. Carve a Santa - we are full but you can be added to the waiting list.
- Butch Clark power carving a Goldfinch October 4,5,6. The class is a go. There is only one space left.
- Jim Feather character carving. October 19-20. This class is a go with one space left. \$125
- Dylin Goodson is slated to be our feature carver for our October show. We have openings for this class. Class project is a relief carving of an owl or a realistic carving of a sailor or a Santa. This looks like it is a go with a space for another student. October 28,29, 30 \$250.

- Linda Murphy Wood burning class November 9 and 10. This is a bit of a distance from now but an excellent class if you are interested in wood burning. \$100

To register for any of these classes send your information and the class you wish to sign up for and include a check made out to Conewago Carvers. Send your information and check to:

Gary Pieffer, 20 Spruce Court, Manchester, PA 17345

Checks should be made out to "Conewago Carvers"

Dave Parker is currently working on a new slate of classes for the 2025 year. If you have any recommendations as to what you would like to see or a carver you would enjoy taking a class from, please talk to Dave. His email is daveparker1000@gmail.com

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Our July General meeting is Sunday July 21 at 2:00.

The July program will be provided by Josh Walters of Windy Cape Studios.

Josh is a carver, teacher and longtime member of Conewago Carvers. Josh and his wife Lori are often seen at the various shows with their mounts, bases and plaques. Josh will take some time to talk about his carvings and his business.

Up coming meetings:

- August Program: Wayne Smith Is going to talk about his carving journey
- September Program: We are going to try a "Sell or Swap" meet. Do you have a tool you don't use? Do you have one you hate? One you wonder why you bought it or have several all the same. We are going to try a Sell or Swap. Bring your castoffs and put a price on them. We will lay them out; look them over and either by buying or swapping something we can go home

with something new to us. The idea is not to clean out our things but rather to add something different to our own tool box. Remember one person's trash is another person's treasure.

- October: show meeting to finalize the THE SHOW.

Last month, at the meeting, a suggestion was made to move All Day Carve to a Thursday. Several members have conflicts on Tuesday but would like to participate. So we gave it a try. It was a very nice day of carving and the suggestion was to do it again.

This will also give the working members of our club an opportunity to attend an extra session on a Thursday after work.

SO ... JULY'S All-Day carve is THURSDAY JULY 25th. We will have the room open from 9am to 8pm. Come for a few hours or for the entire day. We have a food table set up and you are welcome to bring along something to share. Drop in for an hour or for the day. Bring your carving and spend the day with us.

Once again we have been invited to join the EBACC Garden Tour as "the Artist in the Garden" the date for that is July 14th. Consider spending an afternoon at a beautiful garden talking to the visitors about our club. Bring your carving and come out to support your club. The garden is only a short distance from the center of East Berlin. Our garden is right in East Berlin on Harrisburg Street across from the former Ford dealership. We will be meeting at the club room to load the table at 11:15. Bring a lawn chair and your carving.

The Northeast Woodcarvers Roundup will be held July 21 through the 25th. The Roundup is held at Cherry Ridge Campsites, 147 Camp Road, Honesdale PA. This is a gathering of woodcarvers interested in learning and sharing the craft and art of woodcarving.

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 carve. We meet from 9 to 12. We have coffee!

Opportunities to Volunteer.

Speakers at our monthly meeting are just wonderful. I try to find someone who will talk to our group about something they enjoy and know something about. I do not know a huge number of people but together we know many. If you know someone willing to share their knowledge, give me their name and I will get in touch to ask them to talk to our group. If you can talk to them that would be even better. We get a chance to learn something new after we take care of the business of the club. So I am looking for suggestions for programs for the 2024 year. We need about 10 programs. Perhaps you are good at power carving, cane making, making furniture, antiquing with paint, refinishing something or any other thing. If you are not sure give us a try and let me know.

If you have any events you would like to see in the newsletter please send me a note at conewagocarversclub@gmail.com .

Remember we are here to Carve and Have Fun!

Patsy Hartnett,

President

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GENERAL MEETING

JUNE 16, 2024

Meeting opened 2:00 pm

Attending: 17

Happy Father's Day to all Dad's

SEMINARS: The seminars were discussed and Mel and Gary are working hard of this years sponsorship.

We still need volunteers. There is a sign-up sheet on the board. Please look it over and see if you can help us out by giving of your time. If everyone gives one hour, we could get everything covered easily. Just remember to sign up.

We have 50 tables and 19 have been sold. Get your requests in as soon as possible, don't get left out.

REMINDER: ALL DAY CARVE IS ON THURSDAY, JUNE 27 not Tuesday this month. We are trying something different this month. This is not a permanent change, just trying out to see how it goes.

The time is the same. 9am to 8 pm. Bring a dish to share or bring your own lunch. Or, if you prefer, go out to eat.

TREASURY: FULTON BANK: \$30,210.84

ACNB \$ 7,322.79

HATS; Hats are for sale and are available in four styles here in the carving room.

GARDEN TOUR: On July 14 from 12-5 is the annual tour. The address is 313 Harrisburg St. East Berlin. Let Patsy know if you plan to participate.

HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS: Blanks will be available next month. Jim Weiner will teach how to do the Santa heads. Make sure you put your initials on your pieces.

East Berlin Community Center will have their Winter Festival and our club will help sponsor the ice carver in December.

Jack Moxley will be presented with the Second Mile Award and it will be presented to him at the Bruce Stake class. His assistance with the library has been outstanding and far beyond expectations. We thank him for all his help. FYI: Jack has read, I believe, all of the books in our library. Quite an achievement.

2024 Seminars: We still have openings in this year's classes. Please check the list for openings and sign up now. We want these teachers to return next year to do classes and if we do not support them, they may not return. If you have suggestions for changes we need to make to our seminar programs, we look forward to any input you have because these classes are for you. Remarks, good or bad, are appreciated.

Adjourned: 2:40 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Donnie Lee Clarke

PLANNING MEETING June 16, 2024 Meeting opened at 1:00 pm **SEMINARS:** Dave is looking for instructors for 2025. Mr. Statlander may not be returning next year but we will ask him again; Michele Parsons will also be approached. If you have any suggestions for instructors or would like to volunteer please see Dave Parker.

We are working on sponsors for this year and currently have seven sponsors signed up.

Out of the fifty tables available sixteen have been sold.

We are in need of people to do mini seminars during the show and these are just short, easy carvings just would not take up too much of your time. Please consider volunteering some time. Let the show committee know if you or someone you know is interested.

We are also looking for people to do short, easy mini seminars on Tuesday evenings.

There will be an Ornament Tournament at the Fulton Bank and they will sponsor this for a selected charity which will be decided upon by August.

Wood will be purchased through Heineke by Jim Weiner. The sponsorship will be tabled until next meeting.