

# CONEWAGO CARVERS

## WOOD SPLINTERS

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### A Message from Our President

It's hard to believe that this is the 12th president's message that I've put together for this newsletter. This is usually the newsletter issue where the soon to be former president delivers his farewell address. Fortunately, (or unfortunately, depending on your point of view), you'll have to wait another year to read mine—this fine group of carvers has honored me by electing me to another year as president. Or has given me another year to try to get it right. (In the interest of honesty, this was not an exactly a close race, if you get my drift.) I really would like to thank everyone for their help and support over the past year.

### EXTRA MILE AWARD

One of the more difficult but pleasant tasks that my fellow elected officers and I have is to select one of our members to receive the "Extra Mile Award." This is an award we give each year to a member who has gone out of their way to make the club a better organization. This year it was our pleasure to select Don Karnas. Don is a behind-the-scenes guy who helps keep our club running smoothly and on even keel. He's also a major force at the Tuesday night carving secessions, running things when Linda's awol and, in fact, teaching a lot of the Tuesday night projects. In 2016, he'll be teaching the chip carving seminars. Congratulations Don! And thanks!!!

### SEMINARS

In addition to the astounding seminar schedule Jim Hiser (our on-staff CCA member) assembled for us for 2016, there are some other interesting carving classes being offered locally this Spring:

The Lancaster Carvers are offering your choice of one of these (4) classes on the Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday following their Millersville show:

**Roz Daisey**—Small bird

**Kathy Overcash**—Barkhouse

**Jim Hiser**—caricatures (2 choices)

**Dennis & Susan Thorton**—caricature (Dennis carves 2 days & Susan paints 1 day)

### Next Meeting:

December 20; 2pm

### Program:

Christmas Party

### 2015 Officers

President - Dave Parker  
Vice President - Doug Gabel  
Treasurer - Tressa Barnhart  
Secretary - Rick Baker  
Librarian - Helen Diodato  
Sr. Asst. Librarian - Jack Moxley

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Don Swartz purveyor of fine wood carving supplies, a Conewago member, and owner of Hillcrest Carving (just outside of Lancaster) is offering the following classes:

**Bob Hershey**—Cottonwood bark lighthouses, Jan 28 & 29 (Thur & Fri)

**David Sabol**—Caricature animal—Feb 25, Mar 3 & 4 (Thur, Thur, & Fri)

Contact Don Swartz at 717-285-7117 or [carvingtherapy@gmail.com](mailto:carvingtherapy@gmail.com)

Woodcarving Illustrated/Fox Chapel is offering class at their East Petersburg headquarters the Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday following their Spring Open House (Better check with them to confirm this class.)

**Harley Refsal**—Flat-Plane Carving, May 16 to 18 (Mon, Tue, & Wed)

Woodcarving Illustrated 717-560-4703

#### TUESDAY NIGHT CARVING

Linda Murphy is always searching for volunteers to teach on Tuesday nights. Ideas for projects are always welcome.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT POWER CARVING

Rick Baker, duck grinder extraordinaire, continues to oversee the Thursday night power carving secessions. It's best to check with Rick before coming by: 717-334-1292 or [RICKYBAKER57@EMBARQMAIL.COM](mailto:RICKYBAKER57@EMBARQMAIL.COM). And don't forget your dust mask.

#### OTHER IMPORTANT STUFF COMING UP

Dec 20-15 (Sun) Regular monthly meeting (and Christmas Party) 2:00pm

Jan 8, 9, & 10-16 (Thur, Fri, & Sun) Baltimore Woodworking Show, Timonium, MD  
(Very little carving stuff but a lot of wood working stuff)

Jan 12-16 (Tue) 6:30pm Planning meeting EBACC

Jan 18-16 (Sun) Monthly Meeting 2:00pm

Apr 2 & 3-16 Sat & Sun) Lancaster Carving Show, Millersville University

May 13 & 14-16 (Fri & Sun) Fox Chapel/Woodcarving Illustrated Open House at "Rough & Tumble" just East of Lancaster

Jun 16,17, & 18-16 (Thur, Fri, & Sat) Pennsylvania Gourd Festival (Lebanon, PA)

#### DECEMBER MEETING

**DON'T FORGET:** Our annual Christmas party will follow our short December meeting (12-20-15) so bring some munchies to share and a carved ornament for our ornament competition.

*Dave Parker*

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#### Newsletter Guidelines

For the January newsletter, all information, pictures, etc is due by December 23rd!  
[conewagocarvers92@gmail.com](mailto:conewagocarvers92@gmail.com) or 717-676-7612



# 2016 SEMINARS

## **Chip Carving - Wayne Barton**

March 4, 5, 6  
\$255, plus materials

## **Caricature Western Figure - Jim Hiser**

March 12 & 13  
\$75, plus materials

## **Relief Jesus at Gate - Linda Murphy**

March 19 & 20  
\$75, plus materials

## **Caricature - Jim Feather**

April 9 & 10  
\$75, plus materials

## **Caricature - Peter Ortel**

April 30 & May 1  
\$170, plus materials

## **Angel Fish - Linda Murphy**

May 14 & 15  
\$75, plus materials

## **Realistic Bust - Vic Hood**

May 21, 22, 23  
\$200, plus materials

## **Caricature - Pete LeClair**

June 3, 4, 5  
\$150

## **Beginner Chip Carving - Don Karnas**

June 11  
\$35, plus materials

## **Clay Sculpture - Rich Wetherbee**

June 18 & 19  
\$165, plus materials

## **Caricature - Gary Falin**

July 8, 9, 10  
\$165, plus materials

## **Inter/Adv Chip Carving - Don Karnas**

July 30  
\$35, plus materials

## **Caricature Design & Carve - Chris Hammack**

August 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 - held in Carlisle PA  
\$465

## **Caricature - Chris Hammack**

August 13 & 14  
\$165, plus materials

## **Uncle Sam - Dave Parker**

August 20 & 21  
\$75, plus materials

## **Relief Carve & Paint - John Engler**

September 22, 23, 24, 25  
\$280, plus materials

## **Caricature Animal - Bob Hershey**

October 1 & 2  
\$75, plus materials

## **Caricature - Floyd Rhadigan**

October 14, 15, 16  
\$175, plus materials

### **Seminar Policy**

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**





**Sights from Bob Hershey's  
Seminar**



**Happy Holidays  
from the  
Conewago  
Carvers!**