

## WOOD SPLINTERS

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – RICK BAKER

Good afternoon everyone!!! I hope that today finds you in good health and good spirits!! As I write this, our neighbors to the north are digging out of the biggest northeaster/blizzard of the year. And Joe Legore and the crew have finished the carving merit badge workshop for the scouts just a couple of hours ago.

First, I must apologize to both Kyle and the membership for the lateness of my letter. All I shall say is that a son plus new home plus attempted home repairs equals quick three day trip to Beaver, PA to help repair potential damage.... Youth and the lack of basic mechanical and carpentry skills always lead to disaster. So the lateness of the newsletter is my fault and no one else's!!

Last month was my first as president, and I have discovered that there can be much to do. First, some highlights from our January meeting. One big announcement is that the club voted to cancel the July meeting. We normally have very low turnout at the July meeting because it coincides with the opening of the Carver's Roundup at Honesdale. But the most exciting announcement is something new: Saturday Open Carving at the Club. Beginning in March, the club will be open for a "Carve-In" from 9-12. Come as you are, for as long as you can. The Carve-Ins will occur on the third Saturday of each month, the day before our normal club meeting. We will join together for a time of fun, and carving, without the formality of the Tuesday night projects. Bring your piece, and join us in a morning of carving; I am sure that no one would object if you brought a goodie along to share. This is going to be a long-term commitment because we are aware that it may take several months for it to catch on. I hope that you will join us on Tuesday evenings as we continue with a variety of projects at Tuesday night carving. Linda has the calendar about complete for the first half of the year, but she still needs volunteers for the second half of the year from July to December. Everyone has something to offer, so see Linda Murphy to lend a hand. The club can only continue to grow and become better if each of us does a little.... Finally, the club is forming a publicity committee. This committee will not interfere with the show committee and its own publicity, but will work out a broader program to help publicize both the club and the art of carving. We are interested in your help. If interested, please let me know.

Just a few reminders: (1) Our next Planning Council meeting will be on Tuesday, March 12, at 6:30 in the upstairs meeting room by the office. (2) Our next club meeting is Sunday, February 17, 2013 at 2:00 pm. We will be meeting upstairs for our meeting, as Floyd Radigan will be concluding his class. Floyd will be our speaker and we have asked him to discuss how to take a project from idea to pattern. I am having more difficulty getting people to commit to being program speakers than I had hoped, so things for the remainder of the spring are still being developed.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

- 22 members were in attendance
- December minutes were approved
- Treasurers Report: Expenses \$297.50/Income \$1673.67/Current Balance \$4279.10
- We now have over 100 members, see Joan Hiser if you still need to pay your dues
- If you have book suggestions for the library, see Helen
- The locks on the community center have been changed. If you have old keys, see Rick Baker to exchange your key.
- Discussion was held on changing the name of the show. Possibilities include Conewago Carvers Show, Exhibition and Sale or Conewago Carvers Show and Sale. Signs would need to be replaced if this happens.
- A publicity committee is being formed. If you would be willing to serve on this committee, see Rick Baker
- A discussion about holding Saturday carve-ins was held. Motion by Doug Gabel to start holding Saturday carve-ins on the Saturday before each meeting, second by Joe Legore. Motion passed.
- The first three Saturday carve-ins will be held on March 16, April 20, May 11. They will held from 9 am – 12 pm.
- There will be no meeting in July due to low attendance in combination with the Honesdale Woodcarving Roundup.

## **DUES ARE PAST DUE!!!**

Anyone who hasn't paid their dues will be removed from the club roster. See Joan Hiser to renew your dues.

## **FLOYD RHADIGAN SEMINAR**

There are still openings in the Floyd Rhadigan seminar on February 15, 16, 17. If more people do not sign up the class will have to be cancelled. You will carving a marionette or any other roughouts that Floyd has with him. Please contact Jim Hiser for more information (hiser@pa.net)

## **SATURDAY CARVE-INS**

Starting on Saturday, March 16 and continuing each Saturday before the monthly meeting, we will be holding a carve-in. There will be no formal teaching like on Tuesday night. Bring a carving to work on. Need help with your carving? Someone will be there who can help you.

## **NEWSLETTER INFORMATION**

Please get all information for the newsletter to Kyle Gabel (kylemgabel@gmail.com or 717-676-7612) by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. The newsletter will be put together and emailed out by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. If you have any ideas to improve the newsletter, contact Kyle.

## SHOW N TELL



- Joe Legore – free-form chip carved horse head
- Linda Murphy – bark carvings, no see-um
- Jack Moxley – Christmas mouse, magnets, walking stick

## 2013 SEMINARS

February 15, 16 & 17	Floyd Rhadigan	Working Marionette	\$175, plus materials
February 23	Linda Murphy	Woodburning	\$35, plus materials
March 9	Bev Andreychek	Chip Carving	\$35, plus materials
March 30	Linda Murphy	Bark House	\$35, plus materials
April 6 & 7	Peter Ortel	Caricatures	\$150, plus materials
May 4 & 5	Linda Murphy	Swan	\$65, plus materials
May 18, 19 & 20	Vic Hood	Realistic Bust	\$200, plus materials
June 1 & 2	Bob Stadtlander	Relief Carving	\$135, plus materials
June 8	Bev Andreychek	Chip Carving	\$35, plus materials
June 21, 22 & 23	Pete LeClair	Caricatures	\$150, plus materials
August 3 & 4	Rick Baker	Woodpecker	\$65, plus materials
Sept 20, 21 & 22	Joe Schumacher	Caricature	\$135, plus materials
Sept 21	Fran Schumacher	Card Making - <b>let Jim know if interested</b>	
October 5	Jim Hiser	Santa	\$35, plus materials
October 12	Dave Parker	Folk Art Santa	\$35, plus materials
October 28, 29 & 30	Dennis Thornton	Caricature	\$150, plus materials

Please note that a 50% deposit is required at sign-up for all seminars. The remaining 50% is due 30 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."

## **TUESDAY NIGHT PROJECTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
Feb 5	Woodburning I	Linda Murphy
Feb 12	Woodburning II	Linda Murphy
Feb 19	Snowman Clothespins	Esther Aulthouse
Feb 26	Whimsy Bark Houses I	Linda Murphy
March 5	Whimsy Bark Houses II	Linda Murphy
March 19	Mouse	Jim Hiser
March 26	Shelf Hanger Bunny I	Jack Moxley
April 2	Shelf Hanger Bunny II	Jack Moxley
April 9	Panda Bear I	Juanita Witter
April 16	Panda Bear II	Juanita Witter
April 23	Interlocking Hearts I	Rick Baker
April 30	Interlocking Hearts II	Rick Baker
May 7	Dolphin Pin	Linda Cubero

Students should always bring a sharp knife (chip knife, if chip carving), flexible ruler, compass, pencil, eraser and band-aids. This schedule is guaranteed to change and will be updated from time to time. We need ideas from members and instructors to step forward now. Please contact Linda Murphy about scheduling at 717.259.8051.

