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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – RICK BAKER

Good day, everyone!! I hope that your Christmas was blessed with family and friends and that 2013 will be the best year ever for you and yours. Peggy and I were blessed over the holidays with the birth of our second grandchild, Gabriel Robert Baker, born on December 29. It is so exciting to be grandparents, and we are hoping for many more!!

Speaking of exciting, I am looking forward to a great year for our club. And as President, I am but one part of process. As I said at the December meeting, this is “your club”. The officers and I, and our complement of volunteers cannot do it all. We need your input, suggestions, help, and yes, complaints. We can only get better by honestly looking at where we are, and where we want to be. I am asking each of you to consider what your role can be to Conewago Carvers—what do you have to offer your club.

Linda is always looking for instructors for Tuesday night carving. Everyone has something to offer in teaching, and it is not as difficult as it would appear!! Jr. and Juanita have stepped up and done great jobs teaching; if these younger members of our club can step up, can you? We are looking for several of you to join us on the Planning Council as Club Representatives. Our by-laws have this position requirement in it. This year the planning council meetings will be held at 6:30pm in the upstairs room closest to the gym. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of alternating months, with our first meeting held on January 8, 2013. We have several important topics to explore this year—how to handle seminars when horrible weather is involved, ie, Hurricane Sandy; possibly building a dust collection system so that power carvers can more fully participate in seminars; and the possibility of offering half day Saturday classes on a regular basis for projects not easily done on Tuesdays. I am sure that each of you has an idea to share that would improve the club. Don't tell another member, tell an officer!!

I hope to see you at our meeting on January 20th at 2:00 pm. I will be doing a program on power carving and power carving safety. Our raffles for the next several months will be wood, patterns, etc that the club has in excess. If you have small items that you would like to raffled, let me know. In February, our program, hopefully, will be with Floyd Radigan. His program, as usual, will be Floyd's choice. His information is always valuable, and I am sure that all of us can benefit from his insights from his years as a carver. In March, I am talking with Gary Stenger to share with us his views on composition of a piece. I am also working with a few other individuals to see if we can get a forum together to discuss the idea of composition in a piece. That's it for now.

It's off to the carving shed for me—cleanup and reorganization. It never seems that the shop flows the way that I want!! Happy and safe carving!!

MEETING MINUTES

- Joe called the meeting to order.
- Moment of silence in honor of the people killed in the shooting in Newtown, Connecticut.
- The November minutes were approved.
- During the past month we have had an income of: \$215, and expenses of \$1,443.09 to leave us with a current balance of \$2,902.93.
- Fran Schumacher will be teaching a card-making seminar for the wives of the carvers that will be taking Joe Schumacher's seminar on caricature carving.
- The displays set up at the libraries were a real hit. We have opportunities to set up displays in a few more libraries. We would like to have displays in every library within a 15 mile radius of East Berlin. If you have items for the displays see Joe Diodato.
- Tressa volunteered to serve as Treasurer for the upcoming year and Linda agreed to take care of bringing the refreshments for the Sunday meetings. We voted on the officers and here are the officers for the 2013 year:

President: Rick Baker

Vice President: Jim Witter

Treasurer: Tressa Barnhart

Secretary: Juanita Witter

- Rick has contacted 3 art galleries. Two of them have agreed to let us come and do demonstrations whenever we want. The other one has a limited space but all of them might be interested in selling carvings. There are also several festivals that we would like to try to get a booth at next year.
- Joe Legore would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to lead the club over the past year.
- Rick talked about helping the club. He pointed out that there is a way for everyone to help the club. Whether it is teaching a Tuesday night session or going to planning council everyone can do something. He also mentioned that the key to keeping our club going is growth.

ORNAMENT CONTEST



Congratulations to Fred Henderson and Linda Murphy for winning the Ornament Contest!
Thanks to all who participated.

DUES ARE DUE!!!

Get your dues paid by February 2nd to remain a member and continue receiving the newsletter and other club benefits. See Joan Hiser.

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 be carving a marionette or any other roughouts that Floyd has with him. Please contact Jim Hiser for more information (hiser@pa.net)

SHOW N TELL



Carl Barnhart - carved dog head that he plans to mount on a cane.

Linda Murphy - bark carving, sled relief, little man carved in a sweet potato, spiral trees.

Jr. Witter - little pig watching TV/Jack Moxley – bat/ Juanita Witter - panda bear, 8 point star.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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

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 - let Jim know if interested	
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

Date	Project	Presenter
Jan 8	Free Form Chip Carving I	Jo Stueven
Jan 15	Free Form Chip Carving II	Jo Stueven
Jan 22	Bald Eagle Knife Handle I	Jack Miller
Jan 29	Bald Eagle Knife Handle II	Jack Miller
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

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.

