

WOOD SPLINTERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – JOE LEGORE

July means vacations, picnics, cookouts, reunions or anything else that you may have planned. Don't forget to plan some time for carving. Most well-known national carvers advise you to carve at least one hour or more per day to maintain and hone your carving skills. As the old saying goes, "use it or lose it!" I know that I personally have a difficult time following that regimen. How many of you are the same?

Remember that even with the summer months here and as your personal time becomes reduced or squeezed, Conewago Carvers still offers seminars from nationally known carvers. Check with Jim Hiser on the availability of openings in these seminars. In addition, Tuesday Night sessions are going well, thanks to Linda Murphy for her efforts in keeping the interest up in these sessions. There is always room for more people on Tuesdays. Our attendance is averaging ten to fifteen carvers per week. Stop in and join us for education, needling and food on the first Tuesday of each month. Thanks to Mim Watkins for her talent for baking!

As of this writing, we have received an invitation from the East Berlin Historical Society to again demonstrate at Colonial Day. You will be kept posted on the date and times for this event. Last year we had approximately six people assisting at the display booth. Come on out to demonstrate and talk with interested people who want to learn about woodcarving. Let's let the community know that we exist.

Show time is approaching. Please visit the web page that Kyle has set up for you to sign-up to help with the show. The website address is:
<http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/1092345634560258017>. Sign on and sign-up to help out at the show. See Kyle with any questions.

The display is set up at Harmony Ridge Apartments at The Brethren Home. Many nice comments have been received by the guests. Thanks to all carvers who took the time to submit items for display and/or sale.

Another item of interest; there is available to club members a new name tag which is made of wood and has the club name and logo emblazoned on it by laser. It is a very nice looking name tag. They are available from Jim Hiser at a cost of \$3.00 each. Happy carvin'.

Meeting Minutes

- Joe Legore called the meeting to order shortly after 2:00 p.m. 50\50 was skipped because there were only ten people in attendance.
- Sonya Flinchbaugh is in the hospital due to breast cancer and Anne Bixler needs someone with her constantly. Cards were passed around for them.
- Cliff Rosborough gave the Treasurer's Report; the balance is now \$3518.43. Joan Hiser gave the Membership Report; we have a few new members and the membership is just over 100. Also, the nametags are finished. If you have not already ordered one, but would like one, see Joan; they are \$3.00 each.
- Jim Hiser gave an update on the seminars. There are still openings in all of the seminars. If there are any that you would be interested in, please see Jim.
- Tressa mentioned that we should advertise a list of our seminars on the Carroll Carvers website.
- Thanks to everyone who provided their carvings to display at the Brethren Home. We will not be participating in the Codorus Blast this year as a result of a lack of communication. More of an effort will be put forward in 2013. We have been invited to participate in Colonial Day in East Berlin. We have not been invited to any shows.
- If you know of any events in the area at which we can present the club to the public, please let the board know.
- The club would like to create a brochure. Jim Witter volunteered his computer, but we need to get some information together (brief history, pictures, etc.) If you have any information, please get it to the board as soon as possible so that we can get the brochure done.
- The badge design contest was postponed until next month.
- The only carving for Show & Tell was a really good bark house created by Junior.
- Board members, please remember that July 10th will be the next Board meeting.

2012 Seminars

Caricature Animal—Bruce Henn

July 6th (Evening), 7th and 8th

\$125.00, Plus Rough Out

Marionette Class—Floyd Rhadigan

August 17th, 18th and 19th

\$175.00, Plus Materials

Low Relief Class, Plate—Bob Beirmann

September 7th, 8th and 9th

\$135.00, Plus Plate

Gourd Carving, Fret Work—Bill Peoples

September 22nd

\$40.00

Scarecrow or Snowman—Jim Hiser

September 29th

\$35.00, Plus Rough Out

Old World Santa—Jim Hiser

October 13th

\$35.00, Plus Materials

Caricature—Chris Hammack

October 29th and 30th

\$165.00, Plus Rough Out

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."

Tuesday Night Projects

Date	Project	Presenter
July 3rd	No Project—Holiday	N/A
July 10th	No Project - Planning Council Meeting	N/A
July 17th	Honesdale	N/A
July 24th	No See Um I	Ralph Burdick
July 31st	No See Um II	Ralph Burdick
August 7th	Christmas Tree Pin	Joan Hiser
August 14th	TBD	Rick Baker
August 21st	TBD	Rick Baker
August 28th	Fish Whistle I	Bill Zech
September 4th	Fish Whistle II	Bill Zech
September 11th	No Project - Planning Council Meeting	N/A
September 18th	Simple Santa I	Dave Parker
September 25th	Simple Santa II	Dave Parker
October 2nd	Snake Toothpick Holder	Junior Witter
October 9th	Snake Toothpick Holder II	Junior Witter
October 16th	Little Santa	Bruce Stake
October 23rd	TBD	TBD
October 30th	Free Form Chip Carving	Jo Stueven

November 6th	Ladybug	Jack Moxley
November 13th	No Project - Planning Council Meeting	N/A
November 20th	Tramp Art Cross I	Linda Murphy
November 27th	Tramp Art Cross II	Linda Murphy
December 4th	Sled Relief I	Linda Murphy
December 11th	Sled Relief II	Linda Murphy
December 18th	Free Form Chip Carved Dove Cross	Juanita Witter

As you can see, in the latter part of the year, there are quite a few TBD's. This is your opportunity to request or suggest a project! This is your club, and your input is critical to its continued success. Students should always bring a sharp knife (chip knife if chip carving), a flexible ruler, compass, pencil, eraser and band-aids. This schedule is guaranteed to change, and you can help make this happen by filling in the TBD's. Please keep this list for upcoming projects throughout the year.

Also, in anticipation of the 2013 Tuesday Night Projects, we need ideas for new projects for the new year and volunteers to lead projects that have already been suggested for the new year. We need ideas from members and instructors to step forward before October. Please contact Linda Murphy about scheduling at 717.259.8051. We want to buy as much of the project wood for 2013 as possible at the Dayton show in October because the vendor there has superior wood and treats the club well.