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Smoky Mountain Woodcarvers Assn.

The Smoky Mountain Woodcarvers meet the second Saturday of every month at 9 AM at the Mountain View Methodist Church at 3200 Maryville Pike in Knoxville. Visitors are always welcome.

CLUB OFFICERS



PRESIDENT Richard Phillips



Vice-PRESIDEN TREASURER Don Taylor Jack Harris



SECRETARY Dean Irving



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HOT STUFF May Club Mtg is Sat, 7 May

Notes from the President

There is still some free wood from Sam Lawhorn. And if you need any carving tools, see Jack Harris.

Denny (AKA Sandman) Carlise's wife just passed away. There will not be any viewing arrangements. If you would like to send him a card his address is: 1714 Tuckleechee Pike, Maryville TN 37803.

Notes from the Treasurer

As of April we have 43 active members. Club finances are healthy with over \$4400 in the club account. If anyone has any suggestions for raising funds for the Club, please get with me at our May mtg or send me an email;: <u>jah3800@gmail.com</u>

NOTES from the Show Chair

WHEN: 28-30 Sept (Wed-Fri)—Training/Classes 1-2 October (Sat/Sun) -Show WHERE: Sevierville Senior Center. For the show to be successful, we need club support, public support and carving community support across the southeast at least. Anything you can do to assist in communicating to those groups is much appreciated. I am not a Facebook user, so please help in that regard. Hopefully this information will find its way to our Facebook page, our newsletter and our website, but still it's the members talking it up to make a successful show.

Advertising. Claudette and Richard are exploring possible grants, if you have any other ideas on advertising, please let me know...ie area calendars, social activity calendars or other ideas. We will be looking into getting banners posted at the main road and outside the venue. Right now, this is the key issue we have to succeed at....publicity.

Training. This is not quite firmed up but this is the current lineup and there may be additions but these classes are in. You need to reserve a spot; money will be collected starting August 1.. But get your spot reserved now!!!!

• Gary Falin Caricature Carving

Tuition \$150 plus roughout cost (over 30 roughouts to choose from) Students must bring their own tools and safety equipment. The student can carve or paint(supplies included) on the third day and could take home a finished project. Class size Minimum 5 and Maximum 12/



• Michele Parsons, Wood Burning

Tuition 3 day class \$190 (includes materials, handouts, and patterns) Class covers the basics of woodburning, including safety, equipment, materials, techniques, color/finish. In this 3-day class, the project is a little more in depth and you get more hands on time to practice the techniques. (A 2 day class may be available if there is room, but must start on Wednesday and is a simpler project. Cost is \$130.). Students should bring variable-temperature wood burners with the wire tip pens, not the craft solid point wood burners that look like soldering iron. Class supplies list on her website (<u>www.PyrographyStore.com</u> under the Classes tab). She does have 6 loaner kits available at no charge on a first request basis.

Because of travel expense, there is a 6 student minimum. Maximum number is 12 students. Visit the website for details and she will have supplies available for purchase on site.

Here are pictures of some of Michele's work.



• Bill Johnson Chip Carving

Tuition is \$225 for a 3 day class More details later. He is a regular instructor at John C. Campbell and has excellent projects for all levels of chip carvers. Below are samples of his work.



Committee

Here is the committee at the present time: Ellen, Claudette, Larry Eubanks, Dean. Anyone else interested in helping out, please let me know. After three cancellations, these brave souls have committed to making this the best show ever!

Show Details

Tables can be reserved now. Let me know and eventually give the money to the treasurer, Jack Harris. Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non members.
I expect we will sell out on the tables since we have included wood turners in the vender tables. The floor plan for show tables will be available at the next meeting.

2. Bob Stadtlander will be the tools and supplies vender. He will have 6-10 tables of supplies. (again, don't wait on reserving a table)

3. We will have some kind of in-show demonstrations and a carving contest. Details later, if you want to demonstrate at the show, let me know.

- 4. David Cummings will be a knife and tool and sharpener()
- 5. I haven't got it quite confirmed but Gene Graham will most likely be here to sell knives
- 5. Show Brochures will be available by June 1.
- 6. Major show rules changes:
 - a. Due to show cancellations, the requirement to have entries carved in last two years is extended to 4 years. No ribbon winners can be re=entered.
 - b. Since it's been so long since last show, there is no restriction on the number of carvings that can be entered in a class.
 - c. There is a separate division for instructor assisted carvings(all skill levels compete for awards) The Novice, Intermediate and Advanced division projects must be carved by the entrant.
 - d. Roughouts will be an added class in the Advanced division.

If there other changes you would like considered please let the committee know.

If you read this far, I know I can count on you for support. Here is my email and phone number for questions or comments. Here's my contact info:

EMAIL: <u>corngrinder50@yahoo.com</u> Cell Phone: 309-620-1197

April Club Mtg Notes

- We had 29 members at our April mtg.
- JR continued teaching his Bunny rabbit project. Goal is to finish up the carving at the May mtg and paint it in June.
- Lille Wece won the table drawing & Bryson Bodenheimer won the 50-50 draying
- Here are pictures of carvings members brought in for the display table. [Note: lost my paper with member names who brought in carvings. My apologies if I've misspelled names or left you out. Hopefully will do better next month]



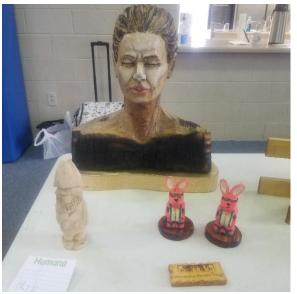
Ellen did the chip carved coasters; Bruce Koopika the church



Jim McCuctchson



Jim Ferguson carved the Cottonwod Bark figure; Lillie Wece the spoon & mouse



Richard Phillips carved the Energizer Bunnies



Claire Smith

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JR Hemmerlein



Ed Lampert

Weekly Carving Opportunities

Mondays: 6 PM – 9 PM, E. TN Carving Guild, Edgewood Primitive Baptist Church, 807 McCammon, Maryville

Tuesdays: 1 PM to 5 PM. Woodcraft Supply, 8023 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, 9 AM – Noon, Senior Citizens Center, 1611 Depot St., New Market

Wednesdays: 9 AM –Noon, Civic Center, 1403 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge 9 AM – Noon, My People Senior Activity Center, 1220 W. Main, St. (Chapman Hwy.), Sevierville [NOTE: this will be location for Club Show in Oct!!]

Thursdays: 9 AM – Noon, Senior Citizens Center, 807 W. Jefferson St., Jefferson City

Fridays: 9 AM – Noon, My People Senior Activity Center, 1220 W. Main, St. (Chapman Hwy.), Sevierville

9 AM to Noon, John T. O'Connor Senior Center, 5th & Winona, Knoxville