

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Paul Blanchard, President

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Oct 11th 2011:

Next meetings are: Nov 8th, Dec 13th
Jan 10th, Feb 14th, Mar 13th, Apr 10th, May 5th, Jun 12th
The doors open at 6:30 p.m. for social time, libraries and supply purchases. The Business meeting starts at 7:15 p.m. *If you don't have a nametag please pick up a sticker at the door and put your name on it.*

TREASURERS REPORT: By Rizal Baysa

New/Reinstated Club Members

Fred Binning – 21719 Mary Rose Dr., Macomb, Mi. 48044

Robert E Jackson - Reinstated



New Member
Fred Binning

Club dues:

Remember that your club dues (\$15.00 in U.S. Currency) are due at the September Meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting please send a check for

\$15.00 payable to "Metro Carvers of Michigan". Send the check to; Metro Carvers of Michigan, c/o Rizal Baysa, 5605 Lockwood Drive, Washington, MI. 48094
Rizal Baysa (Treasurer):

President's Corner. By Paul Blanchard

I am writing this article on the eve of the 7th annual Carve fest which is held in the Washington Twsp. senior center. It is hard to believe that 7 years have passed since John Sabina proposed and imitated the concept of this annual event. I want to thank Dick Mann and his excellent group of volunteers and instructors who have carried on this special carving event. Dick has gathered some new instructors for this year as well as some returning instructors and it promises to be another successful event. Frank Burghy will be returning with his great selection of carving supplies. I am sorry to report that because of health issues, Bill Jaquays who provided instructions for beginning carvers as well as supplying blanks and tools was unable to attend this year. Bill has been a faithful instructor and supporter of the carve fest from the beginning. Our thoughts and prayers are with Bill in his health issues.



I want to thank our Events coordinator Robaleen Bogden for doing an outstanding job in coordinating the event at the South Oakland Art Association meeting held in early September. Eleven Metro members presented and discussed their carvings to a very appreciative audience who were fascinated by our art form. I also want to thank all the Metro members who volunteered to participate at the various fall festivals to promote and exhibit for our club. Metro was represented at the Richmond festival, Seven Ponds nature center as well as the Shadbrush nature center.

I received numerous comments in regards to our September guest speaker, Rich Laatz and his live Harris hawk, and his presentation on falconry hunting and his dedication and knowledge of birds of prey. I believe it was a great beginning to our 2011, 2012 meeting year.

Tip/suggestion: Before roughing out your carving blank for a character or realistic figure carve the face first. If the face doesn't turn out well, you haven't

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wasted hours on the body (consider it practice). The head can always be cut off and a separate head started again.

Theme carvings:

Oct. – Wild life **Nov. - Woodburning**

The remaining carving themes will be determined at the board meeting and printed in the next newsletter.

Carver of the Month – By Harold Green

Don Schnieder has been carving since 1990 when he made numerous neckerchief slides for the Boy Scouts. He has been involved with the Boy Scouts for over twenty years. In 1998 he took a group of Boy Scouts to the Metro Carvers club show, and joined the club shortly after that.



His winters are spent in Arizona where he belongs to the Cactus Carvers. Favorite type of carving is the Kachina dolls, and he has won numerous awards with his work. Largest carving is a totem pole that he carved from a telephone pole. He demonstrated a flute that he made at the September meeting that really had a beautiful tone to it. Hopefully he will give us another flute demonstration at the October meeting.

Don's suggestions to new carvers would be to take your time, and study your project. It is also good to work with other carvers in a group setting as we have at our satellite locations. There is always something to be learned from different people.

2012 Show Report - By Mary Jo Brown

Welcome back fellow carvers!! Summer is over, Carvefest is over. Guess that means it's time to start thinking about the 2012 show. Yes I know it seems a long way off but look how fast summer went! The show is only 5 1/2 months away. I hope everyone had a great summer and got some carving done too. Maybe some of us actually thought about and carved some door prizes or even a raffle prize? I sure hope so! If not now is the time to get things going. Look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Calendar of Events

October 2011

- Oct. 1 – Livonia wood carving show, refer to MWCA Events web page
- Oct. 8 – Saline wood carving show, refer to MWCA Events web page
- Oct. 15 – Wood burning class by Linda Sales, contact Pat or Arlene Murphy. 810 392 3642.
- Oct. 16 – Frankenmuth wood carving show, refer to MWCA Events web page

March 2012

- March 17-18 – Metro Carvers Show.



Metro Carvers of Michigan Monthly Carving Competition



Theme: Dick Mann



Advanced: Dawn Laatz



Intermediate: Margaret Gout



Beginner: Kathleen Riske

Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman - Judges were
Barb Harris, Frank Bosco, Sandra Huffman

Advanced

First: Dawn Laatz, Gourd bowl
Second: Jim Disney, Tree spirit
Third: Bill Gougan, Elephants

Intermediate

First: Margaret Gout, Cedar Waxwing
Second:
Third:

Beginner

First: Kathleen Riske, Palimino
Second: Mike & Arlene Murphy, Game
Third:

Theme – Class Project

First: Dick Mann, Cowboy
Second: Pat Murphy, Moose
Third: Arlene Murphy, Boat relief
Honorable: Norm Kandow, Tiger

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Meeting Location: Helen Keller School
near 12 mile & I-75
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Royal Oak, MI

Meeting Day: Second Tuesday of each month.
(No Meetings July & August)

Meeting Time: 7:15pm (doors open at 6:30)

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Carving Groups Location and Times

Mon. 8:30am-11:30__Troy Sen.Ctr.
Mon. Noon-3pm __Sterling Heights Sen.Ctr.
Mon. 9am-Noon __Warren Stillwell Manor
Tue. 9am-Noon __Washington Twp. Sen.Ctr.
Tue. Noon-3pm __St. Clair Shrs. Sen. Ctr.
Tue. 1pm-4pm __Chesterfield. Sen. Ctr.
Wed. Noon-3pm __Clinton Twp. Sen. Ctr.
Thur. 9am-Noon __Warren Stillwell Manor
Thur. 9am-Noon __Washington Twp. Sen.Ctr.
Thur. 6pm-9pm __St. Clair Shrs. Sen. Ctr.
Thur. 6pm-9pm __Shelby Shadbush Nature Ctr.



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