

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Curt Chastain, President

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Oct 9th 2012:

Next meetings are: Nov. 13, Dec. 11, 2012. Jan. 8, Feb.12, Mar.12, Apr.9, May 14, Jun.11, Jul.9, 2013. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. for social time, libraries and supply purchases. The Business meeting starts at 7:15 p.m.

Treasurers Report: By Rizal Baysa

New Members:

Norm Jepson - 3420 Berkshire, Warren, Mi. 48091

Pauline Flaga - 1033 W. Elmwood, Clawson, Mi. 48017

John Saarinen - 6094 Whispering Oak Dr. Washington Twp. Mi. 48094

Duane Matlen - 13336 Vernon, Huntington Woods, Mi. 48070

Fredrick Zirotte - 8555 S. Stony Dr. Washington Twp. Mi. 48094



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Club dues:

Remember that your club dues (\$15.00) are due. 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 Curt Chastain

When you receive this article the Carvefest VIII will be about to happen or just past. If it is still about to happen consider attending. As John Sabina reviewed at the September Meeting, there are 15 instructors with 16 different classes, many volunteers, and a manned display of eagle head canes. This all happens September 28 & 29, 2012, (NOT on Sept. 30) at the Washington (MI) Senior Center, 57900 Van Dyke Road starting at 8:30 AM each day. This is approximately 10 days before the next meeting on October 9, 2012.



I would like to have some leads for future guest speakers. However, the artificial intelligence discussions (capturing experience so that others can benefit now & in the future) can be very helpful. I hope that this will be a way to get experienced input for the subjects to be discussed. The topic for the October Meeting will be the types of WOOD for carving, wood burning, intarsia, etc. This can result in much group learning by the sharing of each person's experiences with one another.

It was nice to see so many carvings in the competition & on display at the monthly meeting. This is a good start for this new year (2012/2013) with many more of the same to come. Keep carving and enjoying yourself in these artistic pursuits.

Theme Carving October = Wildlife

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

Upcoming Events

- Sat. October 13 - Saline Show - at the UAW Local 892 Hall, 601 Woodland, Saline, Mi - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Sun. October 21 - Frankenmuth Show - at Frankenmuth High School
- Sat/Sun. Nov 3/4 - Fruitbelt Show - at Cass County Fairgrounds, North O'Keefe St, Cassopolis, Mi. Sat - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Sun- 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
- Sat/Sun. Nov 10/11 - Dayton Show - at Dayton International Airport Expo Center, 3900 McCauley Drive, Sat - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

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Note sent to Club: By Harold Green

Dear Metro Carvers.

My late husband, Frank Albright, started carving after he retired as an engineer. Joining the Metro Carvers was a rewarding experience for him. Being a member gave Frank the opportunity to do what he enjoyed the most and to meet others who enjoyed the same interests. My family and I thank you for making Frank's membership in the Metro Carvers group a pleasurable one. We also wish to thank Metro Carvers, and Harold Green, for the beautifully crafted cross presented to me. Dolores Albright

2013 Show: By Mary Jo Brown

Welcome Back Carvers! Hope everyone had a wonderful summer. We are getting things ready for the printer for our show. Can you believe it's only 5.5 months away?!?! Last year we asked all the satellite groups to carve at least 15 small carvings for the door prizes. I know that the Warren group has got theirs almost done. Please select one person to be in charge of taking care of the carvings that your group does until it's time to turn them in in March.

We want to welcome Jerry Gelanek to the show group. He is in charge of the raffle table and the carvings for those tables. Remember that they must be turned in by March 12th.

See you all at the next meeting. In the meantime keep the chips flying and the band-aids handy!

Carving Events: By Robleen Bogden

South Oakland Art Association is having an Art show Oct. 6 to Oct. 27 at the Royal Oak Historical Society Museum 1411 W. Webster, Royal Oak MI,48073. They would like to have some wood carvers/Burners be their Major attraction on Sunday October 14. They would like 5 to 8 carvers there doing carving/burning at the show. You may display and sell also that day. This will be a great opportunity for all carvers/burners interested in showing/selling their pieces. NO FEE for the carver/burner. Please contact Mike Byrne 248-548-1057 e/mail mmybyrne30@hotmail.com before October 1, if you are interested.

Marge Alsbrooks co-leader of a group of Cub Scouts needs a carvers help, for the boys to achieve the shaving and chips badge. There are about 6 boys and they meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every Month 6:30pm-7:30pm in Shelby Township. Please HELP Marge out e/mail her at alsbrooks@wowway.com

Robleen Bogden is looking for someone to take over as the Event Coordinator for this club. Please contact any board member or myself if you are interested.

Festival of Gourds & Woodcarving. By Keith Harris

The 2012 Gourd Festival was held September 14 – 16, 2012 at the Eastern Michigan Fair Grounds in Imlay City, Michigan. This

year the Michigan Wood Carvers Association (MWCA) was part of the festival and held a wood carving and burning exposition. Eight MWCA clubs: Chief Osceola, Hale, Harrison, Hartland, Metro, Mid-Michigan, Tri-City and Saline, participated. Forty five carvers and burners participated featuring 28 table displays and 10 sessions introducing young people to soap carving and wood burning. More than 100 young people participated in the hands on activities. Ten MWCA members camped at the fairgrounds and the special evening meals were enjoyed by all. It was a successful weekend of showcasing wood carving and burning.

Thanks to the Metro carvers who attended the gourd festival in Imlay City. We were able to FILL a fairgrounds building with some artistic wood carvings? We thank everyone who displayed & those who spent the day with us looking at carvings & gourds. Will keep you posted on next years festival. Thanks again, Bill & Ruth Phillips

Busy Week of Carving: By Rizal Baysa

September is a busy month for us carvers. Besides having the first meeting after the summer break, there are many carving events. The Weekend of Sep 14-16 was a very busy one for me.

On Friday the 14th I was at the gourd and woodcarving festival in Imlay city. The carving side was well represented by Michigan Woodcarvers. Metro Carvers, Saline Carvers, Frankenmuth Guild, Tri-City and others. It was nice getting together with carvers from other clubs in the state.

Thanks to Bill Phillips and others we carvers had a good presents. Hopefully this event will be taking place in future years.

On Saturday the 15th, I was at the Seven Ponds Nature Center in Dryden, with other carvers, from the Washington Twp. group. We had six carvers. The Heritage Festival, there in Dryden is very well attended. I would estimate there was probably 1000 in attendance. Beside carvers, there were quilters, blacksmiths, classic cars, steam engines, and old tractors. A very well organized event.

On Sunday the 16th, I was at the Shadbush Nature Center, where some of us carve on Thursday evenings, in Shelby Twp. For their Heritage Days event which is a two day fest (Sat. & Sun) we had a total of 10 carvers for both days. Not as many attended as the other events but it was still a nice event.

So overall it was a very busy weekend for a lot of us carvers, see picture below.



Carl Sikes

Bill Przybylski

Dick Mann

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Monthly Carving Display



Rizal Baysa



Dick Mann



Pat Murphy



Fred Binning



Tom Samanen



Margaret Gout



Gary Baker



John Saarinen



Bob Galanek

Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman -
Judges – Gerry Galanek, Crystal Galanek, Sandy Huffman

Master

First:

Advanced

First:

Intermediate

First: Fred Binning, Blue bird

Second: Tom Samamen, Relief

Third: Margaret Gout, Duck

Beginner

First: Gary Baker, Sand piper

Second: John Saarinen – Bark carving

Third: Roger Sonnenfeld, Cardinal

Honorable: Fred Zirotte, Cedar Trees

Theme – class project

First: Rizal Baysa - Lynx

Second: Dick Mann - Indian

Third: Pat Murphy – Mt. Goat

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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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