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MWCA "Patriot Cane" Program Eagle Head Cane Handle Competition for 2017

The Eagle Head Cane Handle competition was established in 2012 with the approval of MWCA Board of Directors. With the Board of Directors approval, the "Lean on Me" Cane Team will continue the Eagle Head Cane competition with minor changes.

Objective:

The objective is to use competition as a means to continuously improve carving skills, raise awareness of the Patriot Cane Program, and encourage greater participation from MWCA clubs and their members along with fellow carvers interested in supporting this project.

Funding:

The Cane Program is funded by donations from individuals and originations grateful for the way MWCA is recognizing our veterans. To the extent that funds are available, after program expenses, the Cane Team will include budget line items for "Awards for Carvers & Donators".

Venue:

Club Shows and other MWCA events will be used as venues to stage cane handle carving competitions. This will allow participation from a greater number of carvers around Michigan. The Cane Team will contact the show Coordinator to ask for their approval and support of this separate MWCA competition within their event. The Cane Team will rent from the show Chairperson, a table where the carvings will be collected, displayed and judged. The table will also be used to distribute cutouts and glass eyes to carvers who want to contribute to the program. All display material will be provided by the Cane Team.

Guidelines:

Carved Eagle Head handles will be brought to the designated table at the event.

Only completed, properly drilled, painted or natural finished Eagle Head handles will be accepted for this competition. Patters with drilling instructions available on the MWCA web site: www.miwoodcarvers.com

Each carving must have a paper label with the carvers Name, Address, Phone, Club name and if available, e-mail address. This label should be rolled and inserted into the shaft hole of the carving handle.

A carver can submit only one (1) eligible carving per competition. Additional carvings will be put on display.

All Eagle Head carving will become the property of MWCA for use in "Patriot Cane" program.

Past competition winners can participate and be eligible for an award at other shows if a new Eagle Head carving is submitted for competition at a different venue.

Judging will be established by the Team Leader at the venue.

Award will be a \$25.00 Visa gift card – one award for each event. Preliminary Event Schedule:

Metro Carving Show, March 19, 20 Greater Lansing Carving Show, April 23 MWCA Learning Seminar, May 16-20 Evart Roundup, June 9 Evart Roundup, June 10 Evart Roundup, June 11 Tri-City Carving Show, August 27 Frankenmuth Carving Show, October 16 Fruitbelt Carving Show, November 5, 6

Cost:

The cost of a \$25.00 PNC Bank Visa card is \$3.95 or \$28.95 for each Award. Awards for the Nine (9) preliminary events will cost a total of \$260.55

Table cost is estimated at \$25.00 per table, with a possible five (5) table required, or \$125.00 and would fall under the budget line item "Carving Shows, Demonstrations & Misc."

Respectfully Submitted,

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