



Tri-City Wood Carver's Newsletter

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Next Meeting

Jan 2 5:30p.m. Board 7:00 p.m. Membership Sta. 1
Jan 16 6:00p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Carving Sta. 1



The Ben Donaghy miniature carving class was fun and informative. All who participated enjoyed the class.

From Our President,

Fellow Carvers,

Well it's right in the middle of the Holiday Season, I truly hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. As this is the end of my first year as your president, it has really flown by and seems like just yesterday it all began. I've enjoyed it very much. We have had a busy year.

This year we have sponsored three carving seminars, all were quite successful and had good participation, however there is room for improvement. I'd like to see a better turnout in any seminars we sponsor this coming year. If you have an idea for one please bring it up to one of the board members. We will be sponsoring more seminars this coming year..

This years Tri-City Wood Carvers carving and art show was a success as well as being one of the better shows in the MWCA. We had many talented carvers, painters, tool vendors and visitors who participated to make the show the success it was. Our third Tuesday was well attended in 2017 and all attendees had several opportunities to learn new things as several members led us in carving small items. Several of our members also participated in the MWCA weeklong carving seminars in Midland, some as instructors and others as students. There were many nice carvings completed by our members there too.

There were several other club activities that help spread wood carving within the Saginaw Bay Region; they were, Carving at the Antique Warehouse, the Saginaw Downtown Farmers Market, the Children's Zoo, Displaying carvings at the Wirt Library in Bay City and youth Soap Carving at the Wildlife Festival at Bay City State Recreation Area. (contd. next column)

DUES NOTICE

2018 dues of \$20.00 may be paid to:

Tri-City Wood Carvers

PO Box 6553, Saginaw Mi. 48608-6553

Attn: Phil Westendorf

By January 31st this year.

Upcoming Events

Jan. 27-28 Carve at Antique Warehouse.
Mar. 17-18 Metro Carving Show
Apr. MWCA Membership Meeting
May 5 Sunrise Show
May 21-25 MWCA Learning Seminar

From Our President, (contd.)

I'd like to offer thanks to those who organized and participated in these activities.

We had a really successful Summer Picnic at the Children's Zoo with good food and a nice turnout. All who participated had a good time including the people who rode the Carousel. The recent Christmas Party earlier this month was a great success thanks to all who participated. Thanks to all who participated.

Each of the events the club has sponsored was successful due to the wonderful, generous and talented people who support our club. There are too many to mention here but we all know who they are. I am hoping that 2018 will be as good a year or better than this past year. I am looking for some of the newer members to help the club by participating in our club's events this coming year, there's a lot to gained. I am looking forward to seeing y'all January 2, 2018 at our first meeting of the New Year.

Wishing you ALL a Merry Christmas and a Happy Happy New Year!

Phil Westendorf
President

Barney Ross

Recently we have lost another long time carver from our club. Barney Ross Passed away last month. Barney was a great guy and a darn good carver too. His most recent work with the club was the Carousel. He was a regular at the Carousel Factory in downtown Saginaw and added his talents to several of the horses and the ticket booth. Barney is Vince Roslowski's brother. RIP Barney.

Carvers, bring your carvings to the meeting with you. Show us what you are doing. We can all learn from each other as we share our work.



Guys carved by Terry Kenel and Ken Hite in Ben Donaghy's miniature carving class. Ken also got one painted.

Antique WareHouse

Hi folks, It's that time of year again. I just got a request from the Antique Warehouse to show our wares during the month of January in their front display case and then demo carve the last weekend of the month being January 27 & 28. We can bring in our carvings the 1st and 2nd of January and put them in the display case. Please let me know what days and times you may be interested in demo carving. I know this is rather short notice but I feel we can still put up a great show and put in a plug for the club. Thanks, Dick.

Christmas Party

Treasurer Willis made a few opening remarks, gave us the invocation, and led us in the pledge to the flag.

There were 42 people present including many carvers and their wives/husbands.

Mike And Karen Ford hosted the party and brought Kentucky Fried Chicken for all. Each family brought a dish to pass. The food was wonderful. Many thanks to all who contributed.

A special thanks was given to Mike and Karen Ford for the fine job they did organizing and hosting the evening.



The Christmas Party dinner was wonderful. Many thanks to all who contributed.

Local Classes. Third Tuesday carving is now going to be co-ordinated by Ken Hite. If you have an idea for a class contact Ken Hite. If you want to teach, likewise. We may try to do some night classes if you are interested. Let us know. You may have to pay a minimal fee for a blank to carve. Evening classes are being held along with daytime.

Carving seminars:

If you are interested in attending a carving seminar please contact me at 989 781-3846 or one of the club officers. Let us know the best time for you to attend and what you would like to carve. We have several local carvers who teach and we can bring in someone if enough people request it.

Future Meetings

Date	Time	Location
Feb.6	5:30p.m. Board	7:00 p.m. Membership Sta. 1
Feb 20	6:00p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Carving Sta. 1

Board meetings start at **5:30** and **Membership** meetings are at **7:00**

Station 1 is on Shattuck west of Wieneke,

Station 2 is on McCarty Rd just west of Bay.

Station 3 is on Center just north of Gratiot

AREA ACTIVITIES

If you have changed your mailing address or e-mail address this year please let Ed Hak know so our list can be updated. Contact Ed at ehhak@chartermi.net or call 989 781-3846

The Michigan Wood Carver's Association Web Site
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Articles Please email articles, items of interest, humor, announcements, etc., for the newsletter to ehhak@chartermi.net or call Ed Hak at 989 781-3846.

Bit of Humor



I never drink water because of the disgusting things that fish do in it.