

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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John Sabina, President

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday May 5th 2009:

Next meetings are: Jun 16nd.

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 Doug Evans

New Club Members (Pictures on page 3)

Charlie McCarrick – 7426 N. Shaker, Waterford, Mi.

Stuart Eavenson – 2518 Lanergan, Troy, Mi. 48084

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: By John Sabina

Now that the 2009 Metro show is over, the next big events on the carving calendar are statewide instead of local. In May the MWCA Learning Seminar will be held at the Midland Fair Grounds in Midland, MI on May 11-15. This event charges a fee and provides each participant with the opportunity to learn from one noted instructor during an intense, five-day session.

The next event in June is the Wood Carvers Roundup in Ewart. Ewart is just the opposite of the learning seminar. It is completely casual, has no registration or entry fee and uses a very free-form approach. Many more volunteer instructors are available, the schedule is posted daily on a white board, and participants are free to come and go as they please. While the event is technically from Wednesday, June 10 through Saturday, June 13th, many folks arrive before the start. In fact, the campgrounds and hotel are usually quite full on Monday and Tuesday of the Roundup Week.

Both of these events are great opportunities to improve one's carving skills and participation of Metro members is usually high. If we stayed with our normal second Tuesday of the month meeting schedule, the Metro meetings for both May and June would conflict with these statewide events. Rather than have many of our most active members absent from two consecutive club meetings, we have moved both our May and June club meetings from their "normal" dates.

Our May membership meeting will be on the 1st Tuesday in May, May 5th. The June meeting could not be moved to the first week in June due to a

scheduling conflict at Keller School. Instead the June Metro meeting will be on the 3rd Tuesday in June, June 16th. So hope to see everyone at both our May and June meetings.

Our next big local event will be the Washington Carve Fest 5 to be held at the Washington Senior Center on Friday, September 25th and on Saturday, September 26th. It is hard to believe that this year will be our fifth Carve Fest. It seems like we just started. Event hours will again be 8:30 AM until 4:00 PM both days. The morning carving sessions will be from 9:00 AM until noon and the afternoon sessions will be from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM.

Carve Fest is our local version of the Ewart Roundup, but on a smaller scale. This event is free with no entry fee or registration required. The only charge will be a nominal fee for any blanks that may be required. Lunch is available for purchase as well. The Washington Senior Center rolls out the red carpet for us. By opening several movable walls and utilizing the upstairs room, we have space for nine simultaneous carving sessions. At this point the schedule of who will be leading which project is just beginning to take form. Barb Harris and Arleen Murphy will be back with their wood burning sessions. They will add a more advanced project for anyone who would like more of a challenge, while still offering their introductory concepts for beginners.

Club members who would like to lead a project, be it one, two, or four carving sessions should contact John Sabina at 586 786-1967 or e-mail him at jsquareds@sbcglobal.net to get on the project list. Potential attendees can watch the Metro website to see updates on the project list and schedule. With help from many of our members, we can expect to have about 100 carvers attend the event. Past participants have enjoyed the experience. Please mark the September dates on your calendar and plan on joining us.

Theme carving for this season:

May Flowers June Patriotism

Carver of the Month Larry Lloyd: By Dick Jacobs

Larry Lloyd had always wanted to carve, but didn't know how to start until about 15 years ago at the last tool show on the Fair Grounds. That was how he met Barney Pelletier and got started at Warren Woods carving a wooden egg. After Barney took a sabbatical, Larry began carving at Lakeshore High School in the Shores with the Frank Claeys group. Here he developed his skill at carving cowboy caricatures. When Frank quit teaching, Larry got hooked up with a lesser known carver and began to develop his famous technique of carving mass production. It started simply enough when he made a Christmas Angel that his wife thought would make nice presents for their family. The idea blossomed into adding friends and neighbors to the list who then wanted some for their families and friends and neighbors, who wanted some for their family, friends and neighbor, who wanted some, etc. If you would like to order a Christmas Angle from Larry, he will be happy to add your name to his list next month at his display table. Be sure to include the names of your family, friends, neighbors, etc.



Peoples Choice Competition: By Bill Phillips

Hello—The MWCA Board meeting was held on April 4th in Flint. We had 12 Metro members attend which I think is a record for Metros attendees. I appreciate the support and hope it will continue.

During the board meeting they reelected the same officers as this year who are; President Andrew Luckhardt Saline Club, VP Bill Phillips Metro Club, Treasurer Mary Lou Mulick Grand Valley Carvers and Secretary Pat Murphy Metro. During the meeting we heard reports from: Web Master Terry Zobl, Insurance rep Rizal Baysa and Cane Co-Chairman Dave Copeman all Metro members. As you can see Metro's voice is being heard at the state level, way to go guys! Another thing that happened during the meeting was the presentation of a special plaque honoring Mr. Harold Joseph, Metro member, for his leadership and service to the Veterans Cane Project

Metro Carvers of Michigan

By the time you receive this news letter we will have several Metro members attending the MWCA Learning Seminar in Midland, May 11th thru 15th. Please consider this an open invitation to get a few fellow carvers together and take a ride up and visit for the day. Please remember you are not allowed to join in any of the classes but you can listen in and purchase material from the instructors or from our tool supplier. Our tool supplier is, the Cedar Bird Shoppe. Frank & Phyllis Burghy, will have a very large supply of tools and books to choose from. The Midland Fairgrounds are located on US-10 and the Eastman Road exit. Exit Eastman Road and turn right (N) – the entrance to the fairground driveway is about ¼ mile on the left.

As you know the club shows are in full swing and again this year METRO set the bar a little higher for other clubs to follow. I think part of the reason for Metro having the best show in the state is because of the clubs active membership along with the Metro leadership. We need to thank Mike & Mary Jo LePage, Bill & Barb Wolff and all of the committee leadership that helped them with all the extra jobs that it takes to put on a large show like Metro's. I would like to "Thank" everyone for their efforts.

Metro Show Carving Contest Results

	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>2nd Place</u>	<u>3rd Place</u>
1. Relief Carving: floral	Karl Ohly	Tony Stangis	nil
2. Relief Carving: people involvement	Larry Eichler	Dennis Galli	Carol Kent
3. Relief Carving: creatures or animals	Edgar Potestades	Gail Sartele	Elaine Bogden
4. Relief Carving: landscaping	Andrew Luckhardt	nil	nil
5. Relief Carving: open 85% wood	Charlie McCarrick	Jerry Valentine	nil
6. Woodburning: no paint	Sandy Doran	Sandra Huffman	Jerry Valentine
7. Woodburning: paint or stain	Marianne Podgorski	Keith Harris	Arlene Murphy
8. Marquetry / Intarsia	Dwain Lusk	Gary Gracey	Jerry Valentine
9. Chipcarving	Roger L. St. Andre	Mary Jo Brown	nil
10. Abstract or Stylized	Carol Kent	Rich Dugger	Mira Stefaniuk
11. Found/Weathered or Driftwood Carving	Mr. Pooch	Carol Kent	Bob Hanna
12. Realistic Decoys: ducks geese	Clar Elzerman	Tom Grile	Bill Przybylski
13. Shore Birds, any finish	Mike LePage	nil	nil
14. Wading Birds	Jerry Burnham	nil	nil
15. Waterfowl: full carving painted or natural	Bill Przybylski	Mike LePage	Bob Rock
16. Bird of Prey: full carving any finish	Larry Piotrowski	Mike Murdock & Paul Agnew	John Marowich
17. Song Birds: full carving painted or natural	Mike Murdock	Denise Mooney	Larry Piotrowski
18. Game Birds: full carving painted or natural	Cliff George	George Eldridge	nil
19. Animal: full carving natural	Paul Blanchard	George Eldridge	nil
20. Animal: full carving painted	Bill Przybylski	Joseph Beaudette	John Barany
21. Woodburnt Bird or Animal	Joseph Beaudette	nil	nil

22. Bird or Animal partial: no carvings

23. Clinging Birds (woodpecker..)

Jelly Burnham	nil	nil
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24. Fish: natural no carvings

25. Fish:: painted

Ron Copes	Gary Gracey	Gene Gubbins
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26. Aquatic Creature:

Larry Lloyd	John Marovich	Tom Hunter
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27. Human Figure: natural

George Eldridge	nil	nil
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28. Human Figure: painted

Karl Ohly	Larry Eichler	nil
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29. Human Bust: natural

Carol Kent	Dave Copeman	Edgar Potestades
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30. Human Bust: painted

Bob Thurston	Keith Harris	nil
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31. Group: natural

Edgar Potestades	nil	nil
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32. Group: painted

Larry Eichler	nil	nil
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33. Caricature: group-natural

George Eldridge	nil	nil
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34. Caricature: group-painted no carvings

35. Caricature: human-natural no carvings

36. Caricature: human-painted

Bob Thurston	Keith Harris	Bruce Olsen
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37. Caricature: animal any finish

Carol Kent	Dick Jacobs	Roger Klaf
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38. Miniature: fits in 2" box

Mary Jo Brown	Jim Piowar	Doug Evans
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39. Turned Items no carvings

40. Canes / Walking Sticks

Jim Piowar	Jerry Valentine	Keith Harris
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41. Santas

Doug Evans	Jim Piowar	nil
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42. Decorative Spoons-love

Boger I St Andre	nil	nil
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43. Whittled Pieces

Rizal Baysa	nil	nil
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44. Carousel Subjects

George Eldridge	nil	nil
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45. Jewelry

Mira Stefaniuk	Bill Baker	nil
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46. Miscellaneous & Ornamental

Dick McDonald	John Marovich	Larry Eichler
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47. Class/Seminar projects

Rizal Baysa	Paul Blanchard	Dave Copeman
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48. Mystical Creatures

Bob Thurston	Charlie McCarrick	George Eldridge
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49. Indian Related: Kachina Dolls, etc

Bill Baker	Roger Klaf	Bob Thurston
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50. Bark Carvings

Gary Bityk	nil	nil
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51. Show Theme

John Marovich	Bill Pazybylski	Roger L. St Andre
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52. Chain Saw Carvings < 15" no carvings

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Norman Kandow	nil	nil
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54. Best of Blue

Denise Mooney	Gene Gubbins	Jim Piowar
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55. Best of Show Winners

Larry Eichler	Bill Przybyski	Gary Bityk
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Metro Carvers of Michigan Monthly Carving Competition



Theme: Ken Zryd



Master: Dave Copeman



Advanced: Anna B Uhrin



New Member:
Charlie McCarrick



New Member:
Stuart Eavenson

Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman - Judges were
Dennis Galley, Rosalie Kalinin, Sandy Huffman

Master

First: Dave Copeman, Bust trapper
Second: Larry Lloyd, First breath
Third: John Marovich, Love dipper
Honorable: Dwain Lusk, Curiosity

Advanced

First: Anna B Uhrin, The flower
Second:
Third:

Intermediate

First:
Second:
Third:

Beginner

First:
Second:

Theme – Relief

First: Ken Zryd, Barred owl
Second: Bob Galanek, Deer at lake
Third: Elaine Bogden, Dead horse point
Honorable: Carl Sikes, Dawg

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Meeting Location: Helen Keller School
near 12 mile & I-75
1597 N. Campbell Rd.
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Meeting Day: Second Tuesday of each month.
(No Meetings July & August)

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

President: John Sabina
Vice Pres.: Paul Blanchard
Treasurer: Doug Evans
Secretary: Richard Jacobs
Directors: Larry Lloyd Rizal Baysa
Directors: Dolores Lloyd Gerry Galanck
Directors: Gary Bityk
Newsletter: Terry Zobl
Show CoChair: Mike LePage & Mary Jo LePage
MWCA rep: Bill Phillips
Carving Events: Rizal Baysa & Dick Mann

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
Mon. 5pm-7pm __ Woodcraft Store Van Dyke
Tue. 9am-Noon __ Washington Twp. Sen.Ctr.
Tue. 9am-Noon __ Woodcraft Store Van Dyke
Tue. Noon-3pm __ St. Clair Shrs. Sen. Ctr.
Tue. 1pm-4pm __ Chesterfield. 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.
1st Sat. 9am-Noon __ Woodcraft Store Van Dyke



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