

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Paul Blanchard, President

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Feb 8th 2011:

Next meetings are: Mar 8th, Apr 12th, May 10th, Jun 7th

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 Club Members (pic next month)

Bennett Zottolo– 18152 Teresa Dr. Macomb Twp., MI 48044

Frank Milmine 4039 Joyce Waterford, MI 48329

In our Memory -

We were notified that **Tony Stangis Sr.** passed away January 5th. He was a Metro member since January 2000 and lived in Warren.



Club Membership now 140:

The following persons have decided not to renew their membership with Metro Carvers of Michigan. Their names will be removed from the active list of members. Frank Albright, Jim Bowsher, Jim Bryan, Beth Bryan, Jim Conley, Bill Cordell, Terry Crawford, Anthony Di Liberte, Stewart Evenson, Sid Huene, Robert Jackson, Dick Jacobs, Richard Kazmierczak, Kevin Kennedy, Mike Kennedy, Ben Lindeman, William Lowe, Richard Maes, Richard Miller, Edward Oneil, Tim Ries, Stephen Russo, Gail Sartele, Ron Schmidt, Harold Schrock,

Jim Shannon, Rosemary Shannon, Brian Thibodeau, Joseph Vidican, Ron Zoller

President's Corner: By Paul Blanchard

On behalf of myself and the board members and officers of Metro Carvers I want to wish all the Metro members a late but sincere Happy and healthy New Year. Unfortunately due to the inclement weather our January meeting was extremely light in attendance. Approximately 35 hardy members did manage to attend the scheduled meeting. A special thank you to our carver of the month and guest speaker Rizal Baysa who came all the way from Washington Township to present his very enjoyable and informative presentation. Our guest speaker for February will be Bernie Woziak. Bernie has been a member of Metro for three years.



As you may recall we are always attempting to obtain interesting and varied guest speakers to add to the appeal of our monthly meetings. Bernie stepped forward and volunteered to be our guest speaker. Bernie has taken on the challenge of building a "split bamboo" fishing rod. I hope you will be able to attend our February meeting to share in his experience and expertise.

Because of the inclement weather and low attendance, the scheduled "Lean on me" cane head competition will be held at our February meeting. I sincerely hope and encourage your participation in our monthly competition. I think this monthly competition is a very necessary and important part of our monthly meeting. All suggestions to improve this part of the meeting would be greatly appreciated. I note with sadness the large numbers of members who have chosen not to renew their membership. I sincerely hope that they reconsider and would appreciate all the current members' attempts to encourage them to renew their membership. On a positive note, I am happy to report several enquires from potential new members. I hope to see you all at our February and future meetings. Bring a friend.

Theme carving for this season: Feb Chip carving

Mar	Carver's Choice	Apr	Flowers
May	Caricatures	June	Patriotism

2011 Metro Show – By Mary Jo Brown

Well fellow club members...we are getting down to the wire now for the show. The rest of the flyers will be available at the February meeting and also table applications. We still need door prizes so we hope you are working on some. We also need more items for the raffle. We would like to have at least 12 so we need about 7 more. Don't forget that the raffle prizes have to be submitted by the March meeting. Carl S. has the advance tickets available. Sign up sheets for working the club table, ticket table, unloading/loading, and hospitality will be at the February meeting. Please sign up to do your part. Remember this is a club show and all help will be greatly appreciated. Take care and keep on carving!!!!

Events Coordinator – By Robaleen Bogden

The South Oakland Art Association would like a few folks that are talented carvers/burners to be guest speakers at their September or October meeting. Demonstrate the art of carving and talk about tooling/woods and finishes used. They also would like you to bring a few wood pieces to show n tell. Advanced carvers/burners only please. Let me know if you would be interested. <http://sooaklandart.com/> This is their web site that shows when and where they meet.

Pride and Honor Flight – By Bill Phillips

If you know a Michigan WW11 or a terminally ill vet that has received a MWCA cane please let them know about our co-sponsorship of a Pride and Honor flight.

This is a FREE TRIP to see THE VETERANS WAR MEMORIALS in Washington DC.

The trip is scheduled for June 2011 (day TBD). It's a one day flight (Metro to DC), tour bus service (with a short bus tour of Washington on the way to or from the monuments), view of the monuments (walker, scooter or wheel chair), drive by view of the Arlington Cemetery, meals & return flight home. All vets taking this trip will be given a Pride & Honor Flight Tee Shirt. What a special FREE day for those special veterans. Records indicate that we are losing over 1000 WW11 vets per day, so time is of most importance. This could be the last MI trip thru the P&H Flight group because of a shortage of support.

As we all know nothing is FREE in this world, but to the vets that are selected by the P&H Flight Committee on a "first in-first to go" bases "IT IS FREE"!!!

The MWCA cane committee has started a fund raiser drive which will allow us, with your support, to send as many vets as possible. The cost is \$400/vet and we are in need of your help. All funds collected will go directly towards this flight. If donating with a check please make it payable to P&H Flight.

We are hoping that Metro being the largest MWCA club in the state that we will receive \$5 / \$10 or more from each of our Metro members which will allow us to honor a vet or two in the name of the Metro Carvers of Michigan.

If you would like more info, or a flight application, the MWCA website has everything you will need, along with the Pride and Honor Flight website. Send the applications & donations to Bill Phillips. 5035 Cochrane, Almont, MI 48003 ASAP. Any questions call Bill 810-798-3401.

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Meeting Location: Helen Keller School
near 12 mile & I-75
1505 N. Campbell Rd.
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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