

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Paul Blanchard, President

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Jan 10th 2012:

Next meetings are: Feb 14th, Mar 13th, Apr 10th, May 8th, Jun 12th

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 Member

Mike Murdock- 2655 Trailwood, Troy, Mi., 48083

Membership status:

The following persons have not renewed their membership and will be removed from the active members roster. Our total membership now stands at 118.

R. Agusti, T. Burkeybyle, A. Cataldi, K. Cooper, J. Disney II, C. Dow, R. Grimes, W. Guban, W. Hagey, T. Hunter, G. Hutton, H. Isham, M. Kedzior, A. Mazzola, D. Meitz, D. Mooney, K. Pnienski, G. Rogers, J. Sadler, R. Schmidt, M. Sobko, M. Stefaniuk, R. Strimpel, B. Zottolo

President's Corner: By Paul Blanchard

I sincerely hope that all the members of Metro and their families had a joyful and healthy Holiday Season and that all remain in good health for this new year of 2012. I want to thank all the members who participated in our Christmas meeting and I especially want to thank Robalean Bogdon for all her hard work in coordinating this

great event. I was happy to acknowledge our numerous guests and hope they as well as all the members enjoyed the evening. I was sorry to note the absence of many of our long time members, and sincerely hope it was not due to any accidents or ill health. Please notify myself to enable us to notify the membership of any ill members who might be in need our thoughts and prayers or a greeting card. I noted with distress the significant number of members who did not renew their membership at our December meeting. It is not too late to renew your membership with of course a nominal late fee.

Our shop chairperson, Mary Jo Brown reported that she has successfully completed a significant number of items and positions to assure a successful annual show, but of course we are still in need of volunteers to make a successful show. The theme for the upcoming show will be that of "St. Patrick". Mary Jo reported the need for door prize and raffle items. Metro has always been noted for our quality door prizes and raffle items. Let's keep up this tradition. I am happy to report that Doug Evans will be the featured carver at the show. Congratulations Doug, a great choice. Attn "Snow Birds" who will be enjoying better weather at the time of our show. Please contact Mary Jo for details on accommodating your participation in our upcoming show.

I think our annual "swap" program went fairly well at our December meeting, and I know the members who participated were pleased with the event.

Theme carving for this season:

Jan	Bark Carving	Feb	Chip carving
Mar	Carver's Choice	Apr	Flowers
May	Caricatures	June	Patriotism

Carving Tool Auction: By Dave Copeman

Carving Tool Auction at January Meeting (Pic on last page)

A former carver living in Sterling Heights and relocating to Florida stopped by at one of the Monday afternoon carving sessions and left some tools he no longer uses. He said to "do with them whatever we felt best". After talking with some of the carvers at the Center it was suggested to Auction the tools and donate the funds back to the Senior Center to be used for their Troop program.

Mary Tackett and a group of Senior's at the Sterling Heights Senior Center meet once a month, or as funds are available, and pack boxes of supplies to send to our Troops in Afghanistan. The funds come from donations collected at the Senior Centers and are used to purchase items for the boxes and for postage.

If you know of someone serving in Afghanistan and would like a box sent to them call Mary at 586-446-2750.

The Sterling Heights Senior Center allows us to present the "Lean On Me" canes to our veterans during our Monday afternoon carving sessions. From January 1, to December 12, 2011 we have presented 102 canes to our veterans at the SHSC.



Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman



Dec 13, 2011 – Christmas Theme
1st Old World Santa – Dick Mann
2nd Santa Ball – Paul Blanchard
3rd Tree Ornament – Archie Huggins

Honorable Mention
Santa - Dwain Lusk
Relief, Holy Family – Gail Sartele
Santa Sign – Elaine Bogden
Cowboy Santa – Phyllis Gurney
Christ – Edgar Postadas



December Meeting Christmas Party



Tool Auction at Jan Meeting

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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)

President: Paul Blanchard 248-656-8738
Vice Pres.: Bob Galanek
Secretary: Harold Green
Treasurer: Rizal Baysa
Directors: Dave Copeman Robaleen Bogden
Directors: Pat Murphy Arlene Murphy
Directors: Gary Bityk
Show Chair: Mary Jo Brown 586-808-3835
MWCA rep: Pat Murphy
Carving Events: Robaleen Bogden
Newsletter: Terry Zobl

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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