

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Feb 14th 2012:

Next meetings are: 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

Dennis Hudson - 22821 Hayes, East Pointe, Mi., 48021



Dennis Hudson

Mike Murdock

Reinstated Members:

R. Agusti, T. Burkeybyle, W. Hagey, G. Hutton, M. Kedzior, D. Meitz, M. Sobko, M. Stefaniuk,

President's Corner: By Paul Blanchard

My newsletter article this month contains numerous "Thank You's". I hope I didn't omit anyone.

First a big thanks to Doug Evans for conducting the Carving Tool Auction at our January meeting benefiting the Sterling Heights "Troops in Afghanistan program".



Great job Doug. Second career option? Thanks again to Doug for volunteering to head up the name tag carving contest. Details to follow.

Thanks to all the Metro members who participated in the Rochester/Rochester Hills library wood carving display recently held. I received a great amount of positive feedback from the library staff and if the large amount of show flyers that were taken is any indication, I am sure we will have another successful Metro show. If the numerous phone calls and contacts I receive are any indication, there still seems to be a healthy interest in wood carving as a hobby. I personally have not found any thing more satisfying than wood carving (except for banjo playing).

Our next board meeting will be held on February 4th.. If you have any input you wish the board to discuss please contact any officer of the club. The club is always looking for membership input and it is a great way to show your support for the club. The club is always looking for interesting and informative guest speakers, please do not hesitate to inform the leadership of the club for any possible leads.

Theme carving for this season:

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

Show Update: By Mary Jo Brown

Hello Fellow Carvers!!

The sign-up sheets for the show will be at the Feb meeting. Please make sure you sign up for the ticket table and the door prize table. Don't forget that your raffle prize needs to be in by March 13th. I hope you all are working on door prizes and getting things ready for competition and your table. We are getting envelopes everyday for tables which is a good sign that

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this will be another great show. But to have a great show you all need to volunteer to make it work. See you at the meeting!!! Keep safe in this crazy weather too.

Carving Events : By Robleen Bogden

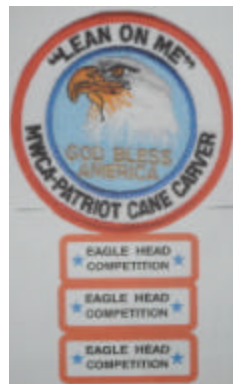
The South Oakland Art Association suggested that Metro Wood Carvers of Michigan participate in the Royal Oak Outdoor Art Fair. The Royal Oak Outdoor Art Fair is located at the corner of Woodward Avenue & 13 Mile Road. The Fair for 2012 will be in July Sat. 7th 10 a.m.-6 p.m. & Sun. 8th 10 a.m.-5 p.m. We would have to have an Application in at the Royal Oak Recreation Dept. by March 15th. I feel it is too late to participate for this year's Fair. But I would encourage those that are interested for this year to join the South Oakland Art Association (ASAP) www.sooaklandart.com. Those that are interested in this event for our clubs participation for 2013 please contact me. I would also encourage those that are interested, to go to the Fair as a viewer.

Eagle Head Carving Competition: By Dave Copeman

For all the members that were unable to attend the January Metro Carvers meeting, an Eagle Head Cane Handle Carving competition will be held in conjunction with our March 17th & 18th Wood Carving show. The Eagle Head competition is separate from the regular carving show competition and is open to everyone.

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.

Everyone who enters a finished eagle head in each show/event competition will receive a new rectangle patch to be added to our original 3" cane patch. Compete often and collect more patches.



Guidelines:

- To enter the competition you must have an Eagle Head cane handle properly drilled, painted or natural finished and turned in at the MWCA "Lean

On Me" table display. They become the property of the Cane Committee.

- The carver does not have to be present to participate. You can have a friend deliver the eagle head. No Mailed in Heads will be accepted for competition.
- Each carving must have a paper label with the carver's Name, Address, Phone, and if available, e-mail address, and Club name. This label should be rolled and inserted into the shaft hole of the carving handle.
- A carver can submit multiple carvings but only one (1) is eligible for competition. Extra heads will be put on display only.
- Carvers can participate and be eligible for an award at other shows with a new eagle handle submitted for their cane handle competition. And receive another Competition Patch.
- The prize will be a quality carving tool such as a knife or gift certificate redeemable at Cedar Bird Shoppe for a specified dollar amount.
- Judging will be done by show exhibitors.

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 Metro Carving Show will be the first show to try the Carving Contest and because the Metro show has competitors from all around the state you can expect the competition to be keen.

Eagle Head blanks and eyes will be available at the February 14th Metro meeting and at the Show. So come on Metro Carvers, get all your carving mates involved, and let's show-um what we've got, at all of the competitions.

Tool Auction Results : By Dave Copeman

The Carving Tools donated from the Sterling Heights Senior Center Monday carving session was auctioned off at the January Metro Carvers Meeting and yielded \$60.00. There was also \$40.00 received in donations for a total of \$100.00. The money will be given to Mary Tackett and her group of volunteers at the Sterling Heights Senior Center as a donation from the Metro Carvers of Michigan to be used for the purchase of items and postage for boxes to be sent to our Troops in Afghanistan. Thank you Doug Evans, the auctioneer, and everyone for your time and generosity in the event.

Metro Carvers of Michigan Monthly Carving Competition



Theme Bark Carving: Don Shook



Display: Gary Bityk



Advanced: Don Shook



Intermediate: Margaret Gout

Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman -

Master

First:

Second:

Third:

Advanced

First: Donald Shook, Duck

Second:

Third:

Intermediate

First: Margaret Gout, Loon

Beginner

First:

Second:

Theme – Bark

First: Donald Shook

Second: Jay Hoisington

Third: Tom Baily

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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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Directors: Gary Bityk

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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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