

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Curt Chastain, President

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NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday April 9th 2013:

Next meetings are: May 14, Jun.11,
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 Rizal Baysa

Rejoined Member:

David Stark - 27641 S. River Rd., Harrison Twp., MI. 48045

President's Corner: By Curt Chastain

Our annual woodcarving show is now past and was successful. The attendance and financial was greater than last year and there was enjoyment by all. See Doug Evans report for more details. A special thank you to Mary Jo Brown for an outstanding job coordinating and arranging the many details required for a successful show. Everyone's help was also greatly appreciated.

Remember to get your entry placed at the April 9, 2013 meeting for naming our annual show. The Board will select the winning name that will be announced at the May 14, 2013 meeting including the gift card prize to the winner. A box will be provided for your entry at the entrance table April 9, 2013.



As we move into spring (I hope soon), there are elections for a renewal of efforts. The Michigan Wood Carvers Association (MWCA) election is April 13, 2013. The ballot candidates are as follows;

President - Andrew Luckhardt
Vice President - Bill Phillips
Secretary - Pat Murphy
Treasurer - Mary Lou Mulick

There are also two proposed By-Law changes. One is a proposal to change the required quorum for MWCA membership meetings from 30% to 25% of member clubs. The second is to change the quorum for MWCA Board meeting voting delegates from 30% to 25% of member clubs. If you have any comments please let me know before the April 1, 2013 Metrocarver Board Meeting where we will determine our club's vote.

In addition, nominations for the Metrocarver's election at our May 14, 2013 meeting are open. The existing officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, & Treasurer) have indicated that they will run again. However, nominations for these positions and the two Board member offices (two year terms) that expire this year (Pat and Arlene Murphy) are open for nominations. Please contact any officer or Board member of the club to submit a candidate name.

The By-Laws and Procedures are now posted on our web site: www.metrocarvers.com

Theme Carvings for this season: Apr - Flowers
May - Chip Carving Jun - Caricatures

2013 Show Report: By Doug Evans

The only contrast we had this year for our Show was the weather. Last year it was shirt sleeves and in the 80's and this year's Show opened with ice and a couple inches of snow.

At 10 AM when the Show opened we had no one at the door. Twenty minutes later the normal crowd showed up. Mary Jo and Larry then let out a BIG sigh.

The Show was almost a carbon copy of a year ago. Attendance and our profits I am told should be extremely similar.

We had a drop off in the number of carvers who entered the competition. The competition committee lead by our fearless leader Curt is analyzing why this may have happened so improvements can be made next year.

Best of Show-Dick Lamphier. Dick's carving was from the "human group" judging category of two aristocratic political figures that demonstrated some real satire. Pictures of blue ribbon carvings are posted on our Show web page.

2nd Best of Show- Bill Ebinger did a great owl. I wish I could tell you the specific type of owl, but I misplaced my notes. Bill had a great show as I know I saw at least three blue ribbons decorating his table.

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3rd Best of Show-John Karalunas. John noted for his caricatures entered a bull rider in traditional cowboy garb with broken bones, bandages and crutches to amplify the



injuries.

Peoples' Choice winners and Carver's Choice winners are noted below in Bill's article. Hats off to all the winners—I enjoyed them all and hats off to all carvings displayed at the Show. It was a room filled with very special art.

Thanks to all members that worked their butts off and to the Chair folks-Mary Jo and Larry Brown. The Club appreciates all your hard work !

Show PC Competition: By Bill & Ruth Phillips

Listed below are the results of the voting for People's Choice and the Carvers Choice display Competition. We want to thank all the carvers that entered into the competition. We think this was one of our best People's Choice displays. Many comments were made by guests that "they enjoyed the show, but voting for People's Choice is getting harder to do because of the quality of the entries into competition". "THANK YOU CARVERS" you helped make our show.

People's Choice winner: (we had a total of 30 carvings in the display)

- 1st place - Gary Bityk (bark carving)
- 2nd place - Joe Beaudette (covered wagon with figures)
- 3rd place - Don Wilcox (collage of animal carvings)



Carver's Choice winners: (we had 76 carvers participate in the voting)

- 1st place – Don Wilcox (collage of animal carvings)
- 2nd.place - Gary Bityk (bark carving))
- 3rd place tie - Harold Joseph (large picture of his voyage) and - Joe Beaudette (covered wagon)

We would like to thank Elaine Bogden, Robaleen Bogden, Arlene Murphy and Ruth Phillips who took care of the voting of People's Choice and Carvers Choice. They spent a lot of time & effort making visitors feel welcome to our show. We also had help counting the voting ballots by Myrna Miller, Elaine Bogden, Robaleen Bogden Arlene Murphy & Ruth Phillips. The People's Choice/Carvers Choice display team wants to thank all the carvers who put 250

carvings into the competition which allowed them to make a beautiful display.

As a reminder for next year's show ---we encourage carvers to bring their kids, grandchildren or neighbors kids who you are teaching how to wood carve with you to the show. Have them help you with your show table display and take part in the show. If they help you we would like them to join us in the people's choice youth carving display. Although they are displayed with the big carving display we keep track of the youth carvings (under the age of 18 years old) and have them compete against other youth carvings. We need to encourage our youth & we think this will help get them into carving as a hobby or who know maybe even a profession.

Last but not least—I for one want to THANK MARY JO and LARRY BROWN our show chairpersons for a job "WELL DONE"!! We all appreciated all the work they put into organizing and directing the METRO show for us.

Eagle Head Competition Review: By Dave Copeman

This year the Metro Woodcarvers Show included an "MWCA Eagle Head carving competition". Thirty Nine eagle heads were entered into competition with an additional fourteen for display. All the carvers entering the competition received their "Eagle Head Cane Competition" patch". Four winners were selected by 366 "People's Chose" votes during the Saturday/Sunday show. Joe Randazzo, Bob Dixon, Bill Anton and Mason Mooney were the winners of the competition and each received a \$25.00 gift certificate, redeemable for tools or other item, from the Cedar Bird Shoppe. Photos of this competition are posted on the new Metro Carvers web site: <www.metrocarvers.com/show>.

The Greater Lansing Carving show, April 6th, is the next scheduled Eagle Head competition. Enter the competition" and receive additional "Eagle Head Cane Competition Patch".

For details of clubs that are including this competition in their show program visit the new MWCA web site: <www.miwoodcarvers.com>.

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Monthly Carving Display



Joe Beaudette



Paul Blanchard



Clar Elzerman



Gerry Galanek



Sandra Huffman



Dwain Lusk



John Saarinen



Gail Sartele



Joe Randazzo

Mason Mooney

Bill Anton

Bob Dixon

Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman -

Master

Advanced

Joe Beaudette, Blue Bill

Intermediate

John Saarinen - figure

Fred Zirotte – Bird feeder

Beginner

Theme – Bark carving

Display

Gerry Galanek

Marcy Larson

Sandy Huffman

Bob Galanek

Joe Randazzo

Paul Blanchard

Clar Elzerman

Dwain Lusk

Gail Sartele

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Meeting Location:

near 12 mile & I-75

Helen Keller School

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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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Vice Pres.: Bob Galanek

Secretary: Harold Green

Treasurer: Rizal Baysa

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Directors: Pat Murphy Arlene Murphy

Directors: Doug Evans

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MWCA rep: Pat Murphy

Newsletter: Terry Zobl

Webmaster: Terry Zobl, Marcy Larson

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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