

# Metro Carvers of Michigan

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## NEXT MEETING

### **Club meeting Tuesday Jan. 14th 2014:**

Next meetings are: 2014 Feb. 11, Mar. 11, Apr. 15, May. 13, Jun. 10

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

December is the last month of 2013 to pay your 2014 Metro Carvers membership dues. If you pay in January 2014 you will have to pay a late fee and your dues will be \$19.00 Please send your dues to; Metro Carvers of Michigan, % Rizal Baysa (Treasurer) 5605 Lockwood Drive, Washington, MI 48094.

### **President's Corner:** By Curt Chastain

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! This is traditional greeting to celebrate a new time period and marks an occasion to renew ourselves and make plans for the future of this next year, 2014.

Our December meeting was highlighted with a "pot luck". Thanks to everyone who participated and especially Sandy Huffman and Arlene Murphy for their work and organization. I believe that all enjoyed themselves as we participated in this community event.

As usual there are a few reminders for everyone. These are to encourage things to happen, but they can only work with everyone's help and participation.

The Floyd Radigan class is to be held March 24th, 25th, & 26th, 2014. The cost is \$120 for Metro Woodcarver Members and \$140 for non-members (Roughouts are extra). Any Metro member must have their application & check turned in by the January 14, 2014 meeting to get the priority registration. However, all signups need to be completed by the February 11, 2014 meeting. This class is to be held at the Shadbush Nature Center in Shelby Township (John R and Hamlin Roads).



If you have not yet signed up to volunteer for the Metro Woodcarvers Show, please do so soon (See Mike LePage). The raffle prizes for the show are needed for the February 11, 2014 meeting. However, for those participating in the bird carving project they need to have their carving turned in to Mike Murdock by the January 14, 2014 meeting so that the final project can be assembled. The Christmas ornament project needs to have your carvings turned in to Marcy Larson by February 1st, 2014 for the same reason.

A great big thank you goes out to Phil Trupiano for his service in getting the newsletter mailed for the past several years. Also a thank you goes out to Archie Huggins for taking on this role as we go forward.

NOTE: Due to Keller Elementary School being closed for spring recess the week we normally have our meeting in April, this meeting has been rescheduled for April 15, 2014 at our normal time.

### Theme Carvings for this 2013-14 season:

- January- Bark Carving.
- February- Door and raffle prize for Metro Show.
- March- Exchange for "Carvers Exchange".
- April- Chip Carving.
- May- Wild Life.
- June- Caricature

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## A Wood Carving Story: By Bob Galanek

Hello fellow carving nuts. I brought into the November meeting a carving with a story behind it. A story that goes like this.

My wife shops at a resale shop for the price and variety. Well one day last summer she gave me a statue of a man in a robes with no features. So I



gave it a face and put more features in the robes. My wife thought it might have been made by someone in my club, but what are the chances of that? But there was a signature on the back that read G.P. Blanchard June 1998 In Butternut.

It seems he made it 15 years ago and gave it to someone and somehow it ended up in Value World where my wife brought it for an extreme amount of 80 cents and gave it to me. So now I have a statue that my friend started and I get to finish and keep it till the end of days ... Or someone gives me lots of money for it (LOL). You know it seems like a cool idea to make an incomplete carving and see how someone else finishes it.

## 2014 Show: By Mike LePage

What a great time we had at the Metro Carvers Christmas party! So many delicious taste treats...am glad I didn't eat dinner before I came!!

We are now one month closer to show time. We didn't have any more volunteers sign the sheets last night...I think everyone was too busy eating and visiting!! There are still some areas where we could use some help. We need people to give vendors, exhibitors, and ticket sellers a break on Sunday. Help is also needed at the Metro Carver table on Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday we need people to help unload and then load on Sunday. There is one spot open on Saturday to sell tickets for the show from 2:00 P.M. - close. We could use some people to help sell raffle tickets on Sunday. If you can help fill some of

these slots, the sign up sheets will be out at the next meeting.

I hope people are working on prizes for the "can" raffle and also smaller prizes for the people who win when their number is called. Any donations may be brought to the next meeting and I will store them for you until it is show time. Remember that Marcy Larson is collecting ornaments for the 3' tree and Mike Murdock is collecting song birds for the bird display, both to be featured in our Show Raffle.

Thanks, in advance, for all your help. Merry Christmas and see you in January.

## MWCA Awards received and given

At the December 3<sup>rd</sup> Sterling Heights City Council meeting the City presented MWCA - SHSC Carving Group with a Diversity Award in recognition of the Patriot Cane Program. The Award was received by Dave Copeman and Bill Phillips.



At the December club meeting MWCA Vice President Bill Phillips presented a Plaque of Appreciation to Larry Bauman and a Blanket gift to David Copeman to thank them for their years of dedication and work on the Patriot Cane Program.





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## Monthly Carving Display



**Dick Mann**



**Marcy Larson**



**Sharon Baker**



**Paul Blanchard**



**Bob Galanek**



**John Saarinen**



**By: Clair Boussum**



**By: Andrew Jaworski**



## Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sandra Huffman -  
Judges: Lee Bodrie, Sandy Huffman

### Open

### Advanced

**Paul Blanchard** – Mt. man

**Marcy Larson** – Snake cane

### Intermediate

**Sharon Baker** – Bowl

### Beginner

### Display

**Clair Boussum** – Intarsia

**Dwain Lusk** – Intarsia

### Theme – Christmas

**Dick Mann** – Snowman

**John Saarinen** – Christmas tree

**Elaine Bogden** – Block snowman

**Bob Galinak** – Santa Ornaments

**Andrew Jaworski** – Christmas sign

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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:** Curt Chastain 248-609-5341

**Vice Pres.:** Mike Murdock

**Secretary:** Harold Green

**Treasurer:** Rizal Baysa

**Directors:** Dave Copeman Marcy Larson

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**Directors:** Doug Evans

**Show Chair:** Mike LePage 586-791-7728

**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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