

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Curt Chastain, President

February 2015



NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Feb.10 th 2015:

Next meetings are: 2015, Mar.10, Apr.14, May.12, Jun.9

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 Margaret Gout

Rejoined members:

Ralph Dahms
Michael Murphy

New Member:

Mary Lou Tabares –148. Worcester,
Detroit, MI 48203



The following have not paid their 2015 dues & will be deleted from the membership roster.

Fred Azelio, Lee Brodie, Frank P Bosco, Richard Dugger, Francis Fredal, Gary & Nancy Herman, George Hutton, Gloria & Paul Irla-Marlow, Norman M.Kandow, Bernard Lindeman, Don Magee, Sandra McConnell, David L. McDonald, Joseph Miller, Crystal Owens, I, Glen & Margaret Perye, Edgar Potestades, William Ramsey, Marion Sorensen, Mira Stefaniuk, Carol Warhall.

Please send a check for \$19.00 to Metro Carvers of Michigan, % Margaret M. Gout, 1398 Lakeville Road, Leonard, Mi 48367

President's Corner: By Curt Chastain

As we go to press, the 2015 Metrocarvers "Artistic Creations in Wood" 35th Annual Show is looming in the very near future (Next month – March 21st & 22nd, 2015). Please support all of the various aspects of this show. The following is a listing of just some of the important parts of this support:



- Sign up for a table at the show
- Volunteer to help work at the show
- Participate in the marketing for the show including:
 - a) Distribute flyers in your local area
 - b) Participate in the displays in the libraries (Note: this is a promotion as well as recognition of your work.)
 - c) Talk to family, friends, passersby, etc about the show
- Help to provide door and raffle prizes (Please note that this is the Carving Theme for the month of February 2015)
- Attend the club sponsored class attached to the show – This year it is a bark carving class. Need to get a check and application submitted to Margaret Gout ASAP for this class. Contact carvers that might be interested in this class.
- Participate in the competitions at the show (The judged competition and the Peoples Choice/Carvers Choice competitions)
- Participate in the Blanket Swap coordinated by Doug Evans.

A quick review of the classes available this spring;

- Bark carving class by Gary Bityk at his home on South Blvd. March 23, 24, 25, 2015. The applications are available at our monthly mtg. Cost is \$150 for non-members and only \$125 for Metro members.
- MWCA Midland Seminar at Midland Fairgrounds
May 18th through 22nd, 2015
Contact Pat Murphy (810-392-3642)
- Josh Guge bird carving at Troy Nature Center

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Late May, 2015. Contact Larry Piotrowski
(248-879-1994)

Again, a reminder that if the Helen Keller Elementary School is closed on our meeting day, there will NOT be a meeting. All efforts will be made to let you know if this happens, but the best way is to check our web site at (www.metrocarvers.com)

Our club runs, operates, and succeeds because of the people in the club. Keep up the good work as we make the run to the finish for this year's show. However, we are already working on the 2016 show. Flyers are ready and some new plans are in the works.

Theme Carvings for this 2014-15 season:

- **February- Door & Raffle Prizes.**
- March- Relief Carving.
- April- Chip Carving.
- May- Wildlife.
- June- Caricatures.

2015 Show: By Mike Murdock

O K, I get it. Everybody is busy doing other things and have no time to fill out the application for a table in 2015 - The 35th Annual Wood Carving Show, " Artistic Creations in Wood ". I really don't believe this because I haven't seen any pigs fly lately!!! O K, Now is the time. I am asking all of you to please fill out that application and get it back to me. If by chance, you did not get an application then please contact me and I'll make it happen. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL. I presently have 20 tables filled for the show so I guess I'll have to start beating the drums and make this happen. The show is less then two months away and all applications and payment must be received by March 1st.

Other issues are falling in place. The hall will allow us to use the overhead projector and has a wifi system in place. I have obtained booties for the soap carving project so this will help contain the excess soap from getting on to the tile floor. Door prizes, items for sale and coupons are flowing in so keep up the good work. I appreciate all the help which I have received. Bring your finished door prizes to the February meeting. I have made contact with Hampton Inn and they are going to provide a special rate for those individuals who need a room. This will be good for those who are traveling outside the metro area. The discount has not been set yet but I am sure that they will do something. They were very interested in our show and want to accommodate.

On another note, Abrasive Brokers, located at 1695 Rochester Road, Troy has stepped up to sponsor funds for advanced ticket sales to the show which will be available at the February meeting. Please see Carl Sikes.

Mike Murdock E-mail <mike23a@outlook.com>

2015 Show Raffle Items: By Robaleen Bogden

Metro Wood Carvers our Show Raffle Spring Tree is looking a little bare with only 20 carvings on it so far. We need at least 15 to 20 more carvings, to make it look great for the show. Last years Christmas tree had around 40 or more carvings on it. We could use some more flowers, animals, eggs, butterflies, and other items for a Spring Theme Tree.

The other raffle items I have received to be raffled off are ZERO. I know I can count on our members. The February Theme Carvings are raffle & door prize items, I am thinking and hoping that our members were waiting for the theme competition to donate raffle items.

2015 Show: By Doug Evans

Blanket Swap (at the Show)

The annual blanket swap before at the Annual Carving Show will take place once again this year. Bring any old tool, carving or carving supply you have that you no longer need or want. Cash you no longer want also works. Remember "swap" is the Indian word for "let's trade!) We have a lot of fun with this every year and the more people that participate, the more fun we all have. The blanket swap takes place 15-30 minutes right after the friendship breakfast the Lions club cooks for us on Sunday morning.

Comfort Crosses & Birds

We will have a display table at the Show to promote this project to the public. It's an opportunity to brag just a tad about just one of the great projects we help with within the community. Please bring to the show the crosses and birds you have made for the club & we'll show "em off for a few days! I hope we can fill the table. Last year we had a bunch on display! Thanks!

Food-Do Not Die of Hunger

The Madison Heights Area Lions (I'm a member their too) (This is my conflict of Interest notice) will be supplying food to stuff your face with both days of the show. The food is cheaper, better and more convenient than McDonald's. Burgers, dogs, kielbasa are their specialty. Pop (soda), coffee, water to wet the whistle also. 10 % of all profits come back to Metro carvers and the rest help the sight and hearing impaired in the Madison Heights Area.

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Art Bucholtz



Margaret Gout



Roger Klaff



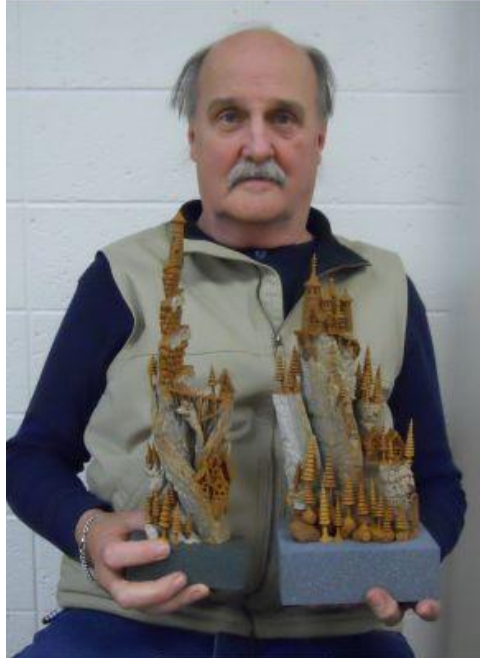
Charles Kreger



Mary Lou Tabares



Bruce Olsen



Gary Bityk

Metro Carvers of Michigan Presents
"Artistic Creations in Wood"
2015 - The 35th Annual Wood Carving Show

March 21st, 2015 10 am - 5 pm
 March 22nd, 2015 10:30 am - 4 pm

\$4.00 per adult - Children 12 and under free

- Raffle and Door Prizes
- Peoples Choice Competition (vote for your favorite carving)
- Observe judges select winners
- Events for the Family
- Great Food Available

"Lean On Me" recipients free w/ cane




METRO WOODCARVERS SHOW
 876 Horace Brown Drive - Madison Heights, MI
 (South of 13 Mile, Between I-75 & John R Road)

Show Chairman - Mike Murdock 248-689-5468
millieb@wowway.com

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Monthly Carving Competition

Coordinated by Sharon Baker -

Beginners

Mary Lou Tabares – Gourd bowl

Intermediate

Margaret Gout – Bark carvings

Art Bucholtz – Dog

Advanced

Roger Klaft – Candle holder

Display

Gary Bityk – Bark carvings

Bruce Olsen – Bears

Theme – woodburning

Charles Kreger – Bark carving

Worst One Wins: By Sharon Baker

Introducing our first annual “What Was I Thinking” Worst Project, at our **April club meeting**. We will set up a second table of disasters next to our beautiful projects. We will give ribbons and bragging rights for the worst projects.

Bring us your disasters, mistakes, and projects gone South. We want your 3-legged dog, your feathers going the wrong direction, your woodburning project that caught on fire. We want to know if you set your shirt on fire or slashed a rip in your favorite jeans. Give us a one-sentence statement of what went wrong. I will have 3 x 5 cards for your name and statement. I personally will bring my bud vase, box that looks like black mold, and a rotten clinging cross. If you haven't thrown your disasters in the fireplace yet, bring them to our April meeting.

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Metro Wood Carvers of Michigan

Meeting Location:

near 12 mile & I-75

Helen Keller School
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

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Mike Murdock

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Harold Green

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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. 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 __Shelby Shadbush Nature Ctr.



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