

Metro Carvers of Michigan

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Curt Chastain, President

December 2015



NEXT MEETING

Club meeting Tuesday Nov. 10th 2015:

Next meetings are: Dec.8, - 2016 Jan.12, Feb.9, Mar.8, Apr.12, May.10, Jun.14

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

Remember that our club dues (\$15.00) are due. If you cannot attend the meeting please send a check for \$15.00 payable to "Metro Carvers of Michigan". Send the check to; Metro Carvers of Michigan, c/o Margaret Gout, 1398 Lakeville Rd., Leonard, MI. 48367.

President's Corner: By Curt Chastain

At the December 8, 2015 meeting we have our annual Pot Luck. Remember to bring your Pot Luck item to the meeting. The Metro Carvers furnishes a cheese and a meat tray, and coffee & pop, as well as the paper cups, plates, plastic utensils, napkins, etc.

The MWCA calendars will again be available at our December meeting. They cost \$4 with a certificate worth \$5 off on a \$10 or more purchase at the Cedar Bird Shop. This is the only money raising effort by MWCA each year so get yours at the door when you come to the meeting December 8, 2015.

The carving displays have been in place and looked good for the month of November at the Auburn Hills Library and a smaller display at the Orion Township Library. Thanks to those that participated.

The need for someone to handle the mailing distribution of our newsletter as discussed at our November 10, 2015 meeting has been answered. The good news is that John Saarinen has volunteered to take on the newsletter mailing duties. We all want to thank Archie Huggins for his past service, who due to his health is now unable to fulfill these duties.



Upcoming events include our Christmas pot luck at the December 8, 2015 meeting and the next event that follows is the Metro Carvers "Artistic Creations in Wood" show on March 19th & 20th, 2016. The push will be on after the first of the year, if not now, to get busy and make raffle prizes, door prizes, and items for sale for the show. It takes everyone's help to get it done.

Theme Carving

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| • December | Christmas Carvings |
| • January | Bark Carving |
| • February | Door & Raffle Prizes |
| • March | Relief Carving |
| • April | Chip Carving |
| • May | Wildlife |
| • June | Caricatures |

Newsletter duties: By Curt Chastain

Below is the list of duties it takes to produce our newsletter.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR/ COORDINATOR

- Sends out deadline to writers
- Receives articles
- Prepares newsletter
- Sends newsletter to Printer & puts online
- Sends membership list to Label Preparer
- Label Preparer is told newsletter is online

ARTICLE WRITERS

- Receive deadline date
- Write articles
- Send articles to Editor

LABEL PREPARER

- Keeps mail & online lists
- Makes labels for Distributor

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- Sends email out for online subscribers notification

PRINTER

- Prints and folds newsletter
- Calls Distributor for pickup

DISTRIBUTOR

- Procures stamps & seals
- Receives labels from Preparer
- Picks up newsletters from Printer
- Assembles newsletters for mail
- Mails newsletters (not online list)
- Deliver to Woodcraft & libraries
- Return extras to Treasurer

Door Prize/Sale carvings - By Terry Zobl

After our 2015 Show I gave a report on the results of our first attempt to sell carvings at our show along with our normal door prizes. It was a financial success for our club even with a lower than anticipated crowd. I asked if our members wanted to continue this in the future and if they would support it with their donated carvings. There was an almost unanimous show of hands in support. However, there have been only a few members who have participated with donated carvings so far this year. We need to build our inventory of carvings for sale if we want to repeat our financial success. And, remember, we offer these at bargain prices as a way to give our show customers a good time with something to take home.

To make it easier for you to participate I received some wood from Dave Copeman left over from the cane program. Then Gary Baker volunteered to make some cutouts from this wood. Gary should have them available at our December meeting. Now it will be up to you the members to pick up several cutouts each and contribute to the success of our Club.

Anyone who would like to help at the Sale Table at our show should let me know. You will be asked to talk to the customers and be an ambassador for our Club.

Comfort Carvings - By Doug Evans

On behalf of Metrocarvers Club I make a request for more comfort crosses and birds. A few Folks have commented that they are tired of carving crossed and birds. Unfortunately, Hospice patients in need have not got tired of showing up in hospitals and nursing homes ! Maybe everyone could carve just a couple a month.

Reference Models: By Curt Chastain

Below is the list of Reference Models that is owned by our Club. The Board is looking for ideas on how to make these available to club members. We also need one or more volunteers to take on this task.

Cast & Carved Reference Models

Animals (18)

- 2 Wolves
- 3 Elephants
- 1 Polar Bear
- 2 Dinosaurs
- 1 Horse
- 2 Lions
- 2 Giraffe
- 1 Dog
- 1 Tiger
- 1 Leopard
- 1 Raccoon on a Log
- 1 Carousel Horse Head

Clinging Birds (1)

- 1 Downey Woodpecker

Game Birds (1)

- 1 Grouse

Shore Birds (2)

- 2 Sanderlings

Raptors (4)

- 1 Red Tailed Hawk
- 1 Kestrel
- 2 Eagle Heads

Miscellaneous (6)

- 1 Moveable Hand
- 1 Set of Human Heads
- 1 Set of Small Caricature
- 1 Set of Mouths
- 1 Set of Noses
- 1 Miniature Hockey Player

Songbirds (12)

- 1 Chickadee
- 1 Carolina Wren
- 1 Tree Sparrow
- 1 Cedar Waxwing
- 1 Eastern Meadowlark
- 1 Nuthatch
- 1 Bluejay
- 1 Bluebird
- 1 Kingfisher
- 3 Unknown

Ducks (11 + Bills)

- 1 Wood Duck
- 1 Black Duck Drake
- 1 Common Loon
- 2 Blue Winged Teal
- 1 Green Winged Teal
- 1 Canvasback
- 1 Ruddy Duck
- 1 Canada Goose
- 1 Bufflehead Duck
- 1 Male Hooded Merganser
- 1 Box of 23 Bills
- 1 Box of 28 Lead Bills

Fish (5)

- 2 Dolphins
- 1 Brown Trout *
- 1 Brook Trout *
- 1 Small Mouth Bass *
- * = One Side Only

Total of 60 Models + 53 Bills

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Barb Harris



Jean Martin



Dwane Matlen



Norma Bauman

Pick up some cutouts
at the December
Meeting and
participate with our
Club's Door Prize &
Sale program at the
2016 Show



Clair Boussum



Bruce Olsen



Gail Sartele



Don Shook

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Monthly Carving Competition
Coordinated by Sharon Hill -

Beginners

Jean Martin – Bark house

Intermediate

Dwane Matlen – Bear

Advanced

Bernie Wozniak – Boat captan

Peoples Choice

Don Shook – Bark windmills

Bruce Olsen – Bees

Clair Boussum – Intrisa cross

Gail Sartele – Sign

Theme – Woodburning

Barb Harris – Woodburning barn

Norma Bowman – Woodburning basket

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Facebook Metro Wood Carvers of Michigan

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: Margaret Gout

Directors: Greg Lutz Marcy Larson

Directors: Bill Ebinger Carl Sikes

Directors: Rizal Baysa

Show Chair: Mike Murdock 248-689-5468

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.

Thur. 9am-Noon __Warren Stillwell Manor

Thur. 9am-Noon __Washington Twp. Sen.Ctr.

Thur. 6pm-9pm __Shelby Shadbush Nature Ctr.



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