

Charlotte Woodcarvers Club

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Meeting Place: **Carmel Presbyterian Church**
(Cathcart Center beside playground),
corner of Sharonview and Carmel Road
We meet & carve every Tuesday night!

January, 2010

President's Corner

It's show time! Our annual Showcase of Woodcarvings is always a lot of fun, and a lot of work at the same time. This is when your help is needed most. Earl Harding is doing a great job managing the show and needs volunteers for various duties including setup on Friday afternoon (2/19), manning the check-in table Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, tear down and clean up on Sunday, manning our membership table and raffle table just to name a few. Please contact Earl by phone at 980-721-3609 if you can help. Earl also needs more tables for the show, so if you know of a church, business, or other organization that has tables they could loan our club for the weekend, please call Earl to arrange transporting them. Please plan on attending our February 16th meeting to discuss last minute details.

Since we are once again having the show at The Marion Diehl Center on Tyvola Road, the Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department is helping us promote the event. It is already listed on their website at:

http://www.charmeck.org/Departments/Park+and+Rec/_News/Jan/Wood+Carvers+Showcase.htm

Ray Branch is in charge of publicity for the show and has been contacting several news organizations in the surrounding areas also. We have some poster signs that are made to be placed on bulletin boards, so please come to a Tuesday night meeting and pick up a few to place around town.

It is time to elect new officers. Currently we have no nominations for President or Vice President. Earl Harding has been nominated for Treasurer and Patrick O'Connor for Secretary. Both men currently hold the respective positions. We also need to add one more board member to fill the "at-large" seat currently held by Bill Robinson. This last position is for a 3 year term. All others are 1 year terms. If you or a club member you know would be interested in serving in any of these positions, please contact Nancy Murray or come to the next meeting where the floor will be open for nominations. Nominations will be taken at club meetings on 2/16 and 3/16. Elections will be held March 16th, and the new year begins April 1st.

The recent weekend class with Desiree Hajny was a lot of fun. She is such a good teacher and very enthusiastic about what she does. We carved rabbits and although we started with the same blanks, everyone had very different carving when all was finished. A real educational and fun experience for all. Thanks a bunch to Bill and Judy Dominick for hosting the class in their lovely home. The lunches were really good too! Here is Desiree's website address if you would like to see what kind of work she does:

<http://www.hajny.fineartworld.com/>

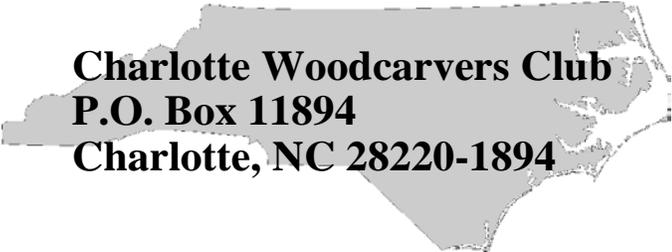
Jim Hart came to town selling wood in early January and we had about 20+ carvers turn out to stock up. Jim had a large selection and seemed quite pleased with the results. He was off to spend the winter doing carving shows in Florida, but may come back through Charlotte on his way back home late in winter with some cypress knees. We'll keep you posted.

Ray Branch is working on getting Peter Ortel to come to Charlotte and teach a class this spring or summer. Ann Davis has arranged for Helen Gibson to come teach a class in September. Other classes are being planned, so be on the look out for notices as details come forth.

Remember that we meet every Tuesday night to carve now. The doors open at 5:30 at the Cathcart Center at Carmel Presbyterian Church, so plan to come and carve. We are there until 7:30. New members or visitors are always welcome.

- Rod -

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