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CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB
APRIL, 2011 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENTS NOTES

Welcome to all the new woodcarvers who have joined us at the show and during some of our training sessions. It is good to see all you folks out (including the men, women and youth). Training is going well with owls almost completed, goose

projects beginning – then a week of sharpening tools, putting on band-aids and gearing up for Rod and Stan to teach the basics of carving faces. We need to set aside some time at the conclusion of this to judge the individual projects and get ready for the 2012 show.

Twelve club members have already participated in carving demonstrations at the South Regional Library and the Locust, NC Festival in Stanley County. There was considerable interest and thank you to all who took the time to represent the club. New members are welcome to participate in these activities and a great way to get to know each other.

A little over ten months until the 2012 show. We are hoping that each member will show at least 5 carvings. One member, Carl Baumgart, exhibited 9 carvings in the 2011 Showcase of Woodcarvings. Way to go Carl!

Keep those knives sharpened, chips flying and band-aids handy!

Ray Branch

2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE NOW.

For members who have not paid their dues by March 1, 2012 – you need to pay now to remain an active member in 2012. Dues

are \$15 annually. Contact either Tom Kavanagh, Treasurer or John Palmer, Membership Chairman. John will be contacting you if he hasn't already. Questions: 704-553-2994. Or Wpalmer3D@aol.com.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND ACTIVITIES

1. April 5, 12, 19, 26. Carving at the Cathcart Center. Instruction continues for new carvers. April 19 is special tool sharpening session.
2. May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. Carving at the Cathcart Center.
3. May 21, 22, 2011. Woodcarving Show. Evergreene Woodcarvers show held in conjunction with the Iris Festival in Greenville, Tennessee. Go to www.evergreenwoodcarvers.com for details. Great show. And a great weekend.
4. June 1, 2011. Albemarle Elementary School. Charlotte Woodcarvers has been asked to demonstrate for two hours at school in connection with their Stanley County Cultural Show. Chuck Riddle has agreed to coordinate this activity. If you wish to participate – contact Chuck.
5. June 18, 2011. Carving at the Matthews Farmers Market. Main Street, Matthews, NC. Soap carving to help kids. Demo carving. 8:30am to noon. Judy Leftwich coordinates if interested. Good publicity for club and we have been doing this for years.
6. June 28, 2011. Annual Charlotte Woodcarvers Picnic. Nancy Murray

coordinates. More details coming in May Newsletter.

7. SPECIAL ACTIVITY. Charlotte Woodcarvers Club has been invited to participate in the Matthews Alive Festival on Labor Day weekend – September 3,4, 5. We would have a full room in the Matthews Community Center to carve, showcase our carvings and sell and promote the club. It will take two people per day for the three day show. Details at a later meeting.

SHOWCASE OF WOODCARVINGS – 2012.

1. Showcase Theme approved at April meeting of the Board: Tom Wolfe See details on Tom in newsletter.
2. Negotiations are on going with Mecklenburg Parks and Recreation for the Marion Diehl Center. A review of other options at Elon Center and Berewick Center has been rejected as not suitable for the show as they are remote and not easily located by participants and visitors. Additionally, St Matthews Catholic Gym is a non-starter due to availability for the entire weekend.
3. 2012 Brochure for the show has been reviewed and revised by a committee of Vern Parrish, Bill Dominick, Judy Leftwich, Rod Gatlin and Stan Lahr. Board will review, approve and proceed to print brochures for early distribution.
4. National Magazine publicity will be out prior to May 1, 2012 for early publication in the summer editions of Wood Carving, Woodcarving Illustrated, and Chips and Chats.

5. Clint Sites is working on website with Kim Rosser. and we should have details of the show on www.charlottewoodcarversclub.com by the end of April.

6. New carvers and old carvers: We need carvers to enter carvings in the show this year. As many as you can. We are particularly excited that we should have numerous carvings in the novice category – an area which

did not have many carvings in the 2011 show.



CHARLOTTE WOODCARVING CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues are \$15 annually for club membership, payable on March 1 for one year. Make a check out to: Charlotte Woodcarvers Club, PO Box 11894, Charlotte, NC 28220. (or, you can pay check or cash at a regular meeting). Provide name, address, phone number and e-mail address when you pay. Club treasurer is Earl Harding and Membership Chairman is Terrell Crowley. Questions about your membership status? Contact Earl or Terrell.