

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!

December, 2012

CWC Officers/Contacts for 2012

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Lancaster, SC festival; Waxhaw, NC Autumn Festival; Matthews Farmers Market; Carmel Middle School Art Crawl; Mecklenburg Parks and Recreation for four programs and volunteering for Shepherd's Centers Fall Program. That, along with ten carving projects being offered by ten of our member instructors and having four professional instructors come in and teach this year has resulted in a busy year. And then members attended and participated in many shows such as Fort Myers, FL; Greenville, Tenn; Lexington, NC; Hickory, NC; Greenville, SC; Raleigh, NC and Dayton, Ohio. And of course Charlotte's Showcase of Woodcarvings – 2012. Blue ribbons winners galore and some money as well!! I would say that we fulfilled our Club's mission to promote the art of Woodcarving in 2012.

Congratulations Charlotte Woodcarvers Club members. May 2013 be even better! Showtime: February 15-17, 2013!

Ray Branch

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK

Hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and now getting ready for the frantic hustle and bustle of December. And as I reflect back over the months – it has been fairly frantic already! It has been an active year with 37 new members, demo carving at Locust, NC Town Festival;

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES, EVENTS AND SHOWS

1. Tuesdays: 3pm to 7:30pm. Carving at Cathcart Center (No carving on 12/11; 12/25; 1/1/13)
2. Tuesdays: 9am to noon. Woodcraft Store. (no carving on 12/25/12 or 1/1/13.)
3. Charlotte Woodcarvers "Showcase of Woodcarvings" February 15-17, 2013. All hands on deck!!
4. February 22-24, 2013: Desiree Hajny's Woodcarving Class in Charlotte. Signups being taken now. Class will fill up quickly. Contact Bill Dominick for details.
5. March 16, 2013: Raleigh, NC North Carolina Woodcarving Festival at Klingspors Woodworking Shop, 3141 Capital Blvd. Time is 9:30am to 4pm. Competition, Prizes, demonstrations. Contact Paul Rolfe at 919-876-0707
6. April 5-7, 2013: Pete LeClair Woodcarving Class. Caricature. Woodcraft Store, Charlotte, NC. Signups now. See Ray Branch
7. April 12-13, 2013: Piedmont, NC Woodcarvers Show. ARC 444 Bristol Drive. Statesville, NC. Contact Blair Gardner. Jbg50@roadrunner.com

WOODCARVING INSTRUCTION CLASSES

John C. Campbell Folk School, Brasstown, NC

- Friday, Jan 4 - Sunday, Jan 6, 2013. [Power-carved Antler Jewelry & More](#) : [Billy Reynolds](#)
- Sunday, Jan 13 - Saturday, Jan 19, 2013. [Intermediate-to-Advanced Chip Carving](#) : [Wayne Barton](#)
- Sunday, Jan 20 - Friday, Jan 25, 2013. [Father Christmas](#) : [Dylan Goodson](#)
- Friday, Jan 25 - Sunday, Jan 27, 2013. [Woodburning a Walking Stick](#) : [Terri Paulk](#)
- Sunday, Jan 27 - Saturday, Feb 2, 2013. [Fish Carving](#) : [Ron Lloyd](#)
- Sunday, Feb 3 - Saturday, Feb 9, 2013. [Carving Woodspirit Walking Sticks](#) : [Allen Goodman](#)

- Sunday, Feb 10 - Saturday, Feb 16, 2013. [Figure Carving](#) : [Otto Preske](#)
- Sunday, Feb 24 - Saturday, Mar 2, 2013. [Carver's Choice in Brasstown Tradition](#) : [Helen Gibson](#)
- Sunday, Mar 17 - Saturday, Mar 23, 2013. [Spirit Faces](#) : [Terry Brasher](#)
- Sunday, Mar 24 - Saturday, Mar 30, 2013. [Scandinavian-style Figure Carving](#) : [Harley Refsal](#)
- Sunday, Apr 7 - Friday, Apr 12, 2013. [Laid-back Woodcarving and Flute Making](#) : [John Davis](#)
- Friday, Apr 12 - Sunday, Apr 14, 2013. [Wood Caricatures](#) : [Wayne Shinlever](#)
- Sunday, Apr 14 - Saturday, Apr 20, 2013. [Caricature Busts - Expression and Detail](#) : [Pete Leclair](#)

Check www.FolkSchool.org; Telephone 1828-837-2775 or check Folk School catalog in CWCC Library.

- April. 2013. Carving Caricatures. Pete LeClair. Charlotte at Woodcraft. \$125 per carver for 12 carvers. Details later per Pete.

SPECIAL NOTES OF INTEREST

NEW MEMBERS - THE CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB

The Club continues to grow with the addition of two new members joining the club during the past month. These are:

1. Jim Brucke from Bessemer City, NC. (Jim is a carver and a knife maker)
2. John Ager from Matthews, NC. (John became interested after visiting us at the Tuesday morning session at Woodcraft. He also saw our publicity in the South Charlotte Weekly.)

Welcome to each of you. We look forward to carving with you and getting to know more about you. You are part of a group of some 37 new carvers who joined us this year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2013

As reported in October and November, elections for officers for 2013 will be held at our club meeting on January 22. New officers will assume responsibility on April 1, 2013.

Sail Away and Carve!

Kathy Overcash of the James Rivers Woodcarvers in Richmond, Virginia is organizing a 7 day cruise and carve adventure for interested carvers. Round Trip from New Orleans to Cozumel, Mexico; Belize City, Belize; Roatan, Bay Islands, Honduras; Costa Maya, Mexico. Contact Kathy Overcash at 301-653-7063 or overcash@artfromthebark.com for further information. (Kathy and a group came to our show in 2012 and I saw her again in Dayton in November)

NEW CARVING VENUE

As announced in October, Charlotte Woodcarvers has begun carving at Woodcraft on November 13. This is an excellent facility for carving and Woodcraft is very cooperative with us. Five or so carvers carve from 9am to noon on Tuesdays. It is not intended that this take the place of Cathcart but rather provides another place and time for our carvers who wish to carve at that time to do so.

THE DAYTON OHIO "ARTISTRY IN WOOD" SHOW

Ray Branch attended Dayton on November 10-11, 2012. This is billed as the largest Woodcarving Show in the USA. It was held at the Dayton International Airport Exposition Center and took up eighty thousand square feet of space. 202 carvers exhibited on probably 300-350 tables. There were thirty vendors at the show – including John Dunkle and Ed and Rosetta Allen of Boxes N Such – two of our 2013 vendors. 4645 visitors attended the Dayton Show. They charge an admission fee of \$7/10.

I viewed the operation of Cedar Bird Shoppe (owned by Frank and Phylis Burghy) - a full service

Wood Supply vendor and they will be replacing Little Mountain at our 2013 show.

I took seventy packages of information on Charlotte and our show brochures and four carvers – Terry/Jay Brasher, Don Burgdorf, Dylan Goodsen and Earl Gray talked to me about attending the Charlotte show. Two have committed with the other two undecided. Three carvers who competed in our show also were there: Kathy Overcash of Richmond, VA; Arnold Smith of Georgia and Bruce Clark of Ohio. The Dayton Show Chairman, Don Worley and his wife, plan to come to the Charlotte show this year.

Impressions: It is huge. It is largely a selling show. There were 331 carvings in the competition compared to Charlotte's 519 at our 2012 show. There are big time carvers there and they are selling and demonstrating too. You have to show them your carvings prior to the competition to be able to compete. Our entry fees are low – in Dayton, you have to purchase a booth space, table and chair and at that point you have \$72 invested. Then you can enter at \$5 for the first carving and \$3 for each additional. Carvers from 25 states and Canada had entries. This show donated \$5000 to the United Rehabilitation Services. Charlotte carvers should attend next year as the Caricature Carvers of America will hold their meeting there.

CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB POLO SHIRTS

Logo designs were completed by Maria Senkel, approved by the membership. It was agreed by the club to have embroidered polo shirts. Orders will be taken until December 12 – members have already been notified. Bill Dominick is offering the art services and purchasing resources with Gaston Screen Printing and Embroidery handling the embroidery. Shirts are estimated to cost \$25 or less and should be available in early January, 2013. We should look pretty at the Showcase this year.



Rebecca Black and her Grandfather with one of his carvings.



Rebecca Black's grandfather. Great carver and mentor for Rebecca.

Dayton, Ohio Artistry in Wood show



Entry into Dayton Show at Exposition Center



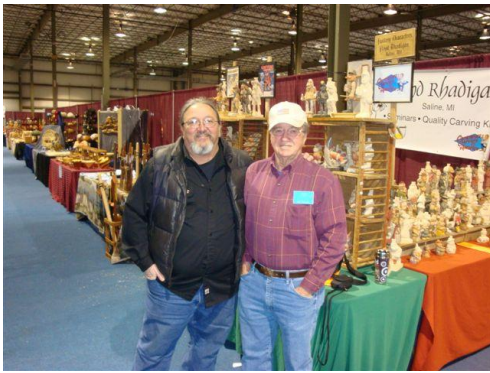
Canes and Hiking sticks at Dayton show



Cedar Bird Shoppe setting up. They will be at Charlotte in February, 2013



Dayton - one word - HUGE - LARGEST IN THE USA.



Floyd Rhadigan - CCA and Ray Branch



Dayton - 2012 - Old West



Dayton - 2012 - Terry Brasher



Woodcraft Shop. One of 30 vendors - including Boxes N Such, John Dunkle and Tony Erickson - all Charlotte Vendors.



Dayton - 2012



4645 visitors for Dayton's two day show. Admission: \$7/10



Yes - some of the carvings were overwhelming



Arnold Smith won a second place.
(Charlotte Show participant from Georgia)



Kathy Overcash won a first place category. (Charlotte Show participant from Richmond, VA)



Best of Show - Dayton. Huge. \$750 for first prize.



The Nyes of Michigan who always provide Charlotte with their fan birds for our show.



Terry Brasher with some of her carvings.

Showcase of Woodcarvings 2013

February 15-17, 2013

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Showcase Location:

Marion Diehl Recreation Center

2219 Tyvola Road

Charlotte, NC 28210

Free admission to the public!

Competition and Mini-Seminars

Raffle Items

Carvings and carving supplies for sale

Tom Wolfe Carving Competition

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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 Tom Kavanagh (803-746-5422) and the Membership Chairman is Neill Zyp (704-847-8377). If there are questions about your membership status - contact John or Neill.

VENDORS SUPPORTING THE ANNUAL SHOWCASE OF WOODCARVINGS

1. Smokey Mountain Woodcarving Supply
Townsend, Tn.
Phone 865-448-6350
Website: www.woodcarvers.com.
2. REL Knives. Ralph Long. Kernersville, NC.
Phone: 336-595-4563.
Email at reldpl@embarqmail.com.
3. Little Mountain Carving Supply
Front Royal, Virginia
Phone 800-752-7573. Website: lilmtn@centurylink.net
4. Bob Bart Knives
Jamestown, NC.
Phone 336-292-3263.
Email: bbarts@triad.rr.com
5. Allen Goodman Knives
Email at Agoodman3646@charter.net.
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YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/allengoodman69>
MySpace: <http://www.myspace.com/AllenGoodman1969>
6. John Dunkle
Woodcarving Knives, Archibold, Ohio
E-mail: jcdblade@gmail.com
7. Jim Hart
Wood supplier from Turtle Creek, Wisconsin
Phone: 715-268-8713 or (c) 715-768-0204
E-mail at good.wood.etc@gmail.com
8. Tony Erickson
Blanks, Tools, How to's and carving instruction
Seneca, South Carolina
Website: www.woodakoodashooda.com
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9. Boxes N Such, LTD.
Berlin, Ohio.
Phone: 1-866-311-5686 or 440-237-7122.
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Boxes, wood, etc. (As they say – "Boxes and more for the discerning artisan and Craftsman.")
10. Woodcraft of Charlotte
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