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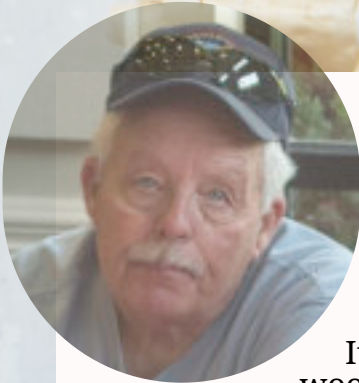
Charlotte



Woodcarvers

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From the President



Hello Carvers

It seemed like it would never come, but when it did the 40th Annual Showcase of Woodcarvings was AWESOME.



It had everything. If you needed wood, we had wood. If you needed tools, we had tools. Carvings to buy, carvings to win, competition, silent auctions, speed carving, seminars, power tool demonstrations, a medical emergency, food, T-shirts, patches, and a tribute to Peter Ortel. If you needed it, WE HAD IT.

Also the first time at CPCC (and maybe ever) we had our next Showcase dates (April 26-28, 2024), and Show Theme (*Birds of a feather, flock together*) set for next year.

The highlight of the show theme was the Peter Ortel tribute set up by Bob Warner. I could see the gratitude of the Ortel family in attendance. And a big thank you to Mrs. Ortel for sharing Peter's work and rough outs with us.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE SHOW THEME WAS THE PETER ORTEL TRIBUTE

Thanks to:

- Especially co-show chairmen Lisa Murphy-Stafford and Keith Jones who both

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President's message continued

worked non-stop even when they were out of town.

- Steve Stillitano and wife who worked all year to give us a great Raffle and Silent Auction.
- Neil McGuire and Rich DiFranco for their work with all the registrations and finances.
- Rod Gatlin for organizing the Carving Competition.
- Jim Horn for defining all the Jobs and Judging teams.
- I know I'm leaving out some hard workers and volunteers who were tired and hurting after 3 long days especially those who helped setting up on Friday and brake down on Sunday
- Betty Negus and those manning the Club tables and meeting all our guests.
- Thanks to everyone I didn't mention.
- Every member of our Club, the Triad club for their donations
- Mountain Traditions for your help especially the medical emergency that occurred at your table.
- Editor's note: Let's not forget Bob Gerbe for securing vendors and the floor setup.

Next, we go on to training our new members beginning Tuesday, May 9, 2023. The first class on caring for your tools by Bob Warner. We will be doing 2 classes each day starting at 10am-11:30am and a late afternoon class for those unable to attend in the morning. Start time to be determined.

Rod Gatlin's second caricature class is full. The class starts at 9 am on May 17 & 18. Please pay the \$45 fee before class. Roughout provided by Rod at class.

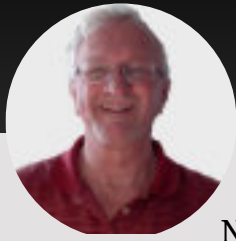
General membership meeting, May 2,2023 at 1pm in Cathcart.

Have fun carving

Bob Gerbe, Pres.

Charlotte Woodcarvers Club

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Neil McGuire
Editor

From the Editor

Editorial Thoughts after the show

Now that the 40th Annual *Showcase of Woodcarvings* is history, I thought it would interesting to see how it went.

The show consisted of :

- 115 carvers entered the competition (129 registered); 24 Novice, 47 Intermediate, and 44 Open.
- 771 carvings entered; 103 Novice, 369 Intermediate, and 299 Open.
- There were 34 Show Theme entries.
- The most common category overall was small single subject caricatures, 6A with 71 entries. However
 - Most common Open category was 6A with 35 entries
 - Most common Intermediate category was Ornaments, 23
 - Most common Novice category was Pyrography
- Interestingly, Geese and Swans, Category 29, had NO entries.
- 10 states were represented: Virginia (9), New York (7), Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee each with 5, Florida and Puerto Rico with 2 each, and Ohio and Mississippi rounding it out with 1 each.
- We had 22 vendors selling just about everything you could desire to improve and challenge your future projects.

OK, enough with the numbers, let's see some pictures. Our photographer this year was Neil Southerland, an excellent carver and photographer. Thanks Neil.

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Competition Winners

BEST OF SHOW, DAVID BOONE, CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB



BEST OF SHOW THEME OPEN AND DAVID DUKES AWARD, PATRICK COFFEE, DAVIDSON COUNTY WOODCARVERS



BEST OF SHOW RUNNER UP, DAVID BOONE, CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB

BEST OF SHOW THEME INTERMEDIATE, KEITH JONES, CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB



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**BEST OF SHOW THEME NOVICE,
LYNN PATRICK,
TRIAD WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF INTERMEDIATE, DAVID
STAINBROOK,
NO CLUB**

**BEST OF INTERMEDIATE RUNNER
UP, TIM HOFFMAN,
NO CLUB**



**BEST OF NOVICE, LANCE MANERS,
CAPE FEAR WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF NOVICE RUNNER UP
AND BEST OF PYROGRAPHY,
KELLY WALL,
NO CLUB**



**BEST OF BIRDS NOVICE, LANCE MANERS,
CAPE FEAR WOODCARVING CLUB**



**BEST OF BIRDS OPEN, SCOTT WEIDERHOLT,
NO CLUB**



**BEST OF BIRDS INTERMEDIATE, JAMES YAWN,
NO CLUB**



**BEST OF BIRDS NOVICE, LANCE MANERS,
CAPE FEAR WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF CARICATURES
INTERMEDIATE, JEFFREY
O'DONNELL,
Genesee Valley Woodcarvers**



**BEST OF PYROGRAPHY, OPEN,
JOE DAVIS,
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB**





**BEST OF CARICATURES OPEN, DAVID BOONE,
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF CHIP CARVING
NOVICE, VINCE AVALOS,
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS
CLUB**

**BEST OF CHIP CARVING OPEN,
PAUL DESROISERS,
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF CHIP CARVING NOVICE,
BILLY JENKINS,
North Carolina Woodcarving
Association**



**BEST OF ORNAMENTS OPEN,
JOE DAVIS
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS
CLUB**

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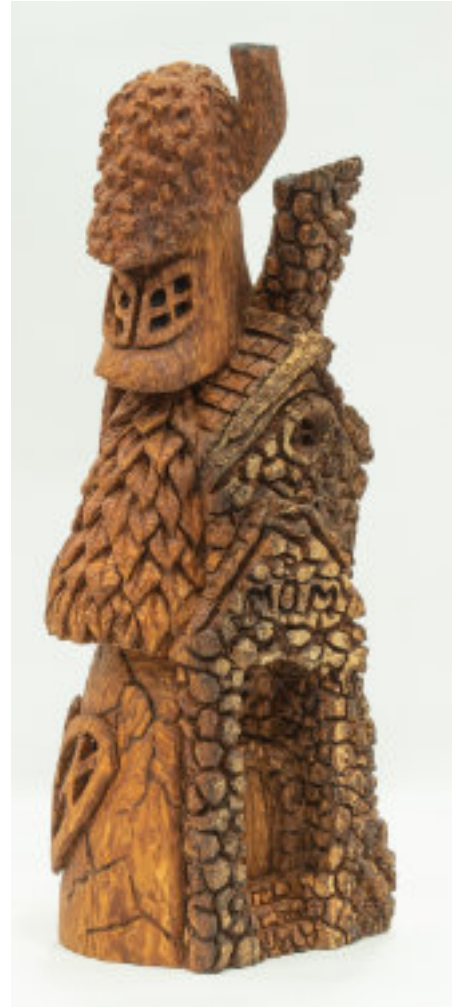
**BEST OF COTTONWOOD BARK OPEN, BOB WARNER,
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF COTTONWOOD BARK NOVICE, ROCCO PAIANO,
CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB**



**BEST OF COTTONWOOD BARK INTERMEDIATE, CAROL MOCK,
TRIAD WOODCARVERS CLUB**



A special thanks goes to Keith Jones, who got up early and helped Neil Southerland and I with these photos.

I have done my best to attain accuracy. If there is an error, please pardon me, it was not intentional. Also, please let me know the error so I won't make the same mistake on Social Media.

Announcements

The 41st Showcase of Woodcarvings

April 26-28, 2024 Show

Theme is: Birds of a Feather Flock Together

Weekly Carving Meetup

- Club carving on Tuesdays from 9am to 6pm. Come when you can, leave when you must.
- We carve at the Cathcart Center, Carmel Presbyterian Church

Calendar

May 6	Pyrography Club in Hickory
May 17-18	Caricature Carving with Rod Gatlin
May 20-21	Evergreen Woodcarvers Annual Show
June 21-22	Chip Carving with Marty Leenhouts
July ?	Summer Picnic
Sept 2-4	Matthews Alive
Oct 14-15	Waxhaw Autumn Treasure
Dec ?	Christmas Banquet

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Bob Gerbe
President

Club Officers



Bill Robinson
Vice President



Steve Stillitano
Board Member



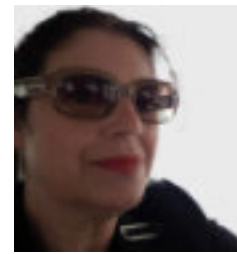
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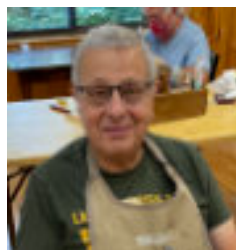
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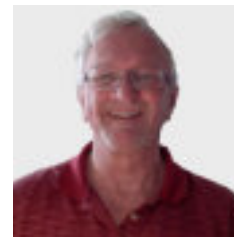
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Board Member



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Webmaster

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