



TRIAD WOODCARVERS NEWSLETTER

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Triad Woodcarvers ~ Founded in 2009

COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT.....Tony Leonardi

Dear Club Members,

We have welcomed new members in March. They are: Chet Cosgrove, Robin Weant, and Stuart MacMillan.

We now number 69 paid members. We have an additional 34 members who have not paid their 2023 dues.

We have three open positions for Chairpersons and are hopeful that we can get volunteers to fill these very important positions. I will talk more to this at our Club Members Meeting on Monday, 4/10.

Speaking of our Club Meeting, they are a great opportunity for 'Show and Share'. Your fellow carvers are always interested in seeing what members are creating.

Remember, We are always seeking volunteers for the Klingspor Saturday carving demonstrations. Please see Bob Holtje for details and the benefits of volunteering. See you all Monday,

Tony Leonardi

GENERAL INFORMATION

"I'm happy carving!"



Triad Woodcarvers offer free carving lessons every Monday from 3:00 until 9:00 p.m. at Miller Park Recreation Center, 400 Leisure Lane, Winston-Salem, NC.

Carving tools, safety gloves, and wood for carving are available for new members to use. Come any time during the session and stay as long as you wish. Instructors will be available to go over some safety rules and get you started on your first carving project.

OFFICERS and DIRECTOR

- President:** Tony Leonardi
- Vice President:** Stewart Hodges
- Secretary:** Carol Adair
- Treasurer:** Lynne Patrick
- Director:s:** Carol Mock (2025), Charles Griffin (2024), Bob Holtje (2023)

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE



Our club members carve Angels of Hope and Comfort Critters (birds, whales, fish, turtles, and others) to give children staying at the Ronald McDonald House. Our goal is 100 per year. Pick up a blank on the display table.



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CARVING AT KLINGSPOR'S WOODWORKING SHOP ...Bob Holtje

We need volunteers to carve at **Klingspor's Woodworking Shop** located in the Pavilions Shopping Center, located at 532 Hanes Mall Boulevard, Winston-Salem, NC between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm on the **second and fourth Saturdays of every month**. You may bring some of your carvings to display and something to carve. We would like to have two volunteers for each date shown below.

At Klingspor's there is a blue container next to the book sales area that contains our black table cloth, wooden sign, brochures, and a signup sheet. Please contact Bob Holtje at (336) 682-8638 or Bob@holtje.com to sign up for an open date anytime this year or sign up at our Monday meeting. Here is the schedule for the next 4 months, with open dates*.

APR 8:	M Payne	V McHenry	JUN 10:	S Hodges	J Carpenter
APR 22:	M Barry	B Sparrow	JUN 24:	K Wall	R Smith
MAY 13:	B Sparrow	S Hodges	JUL 8:	B Sparrow	*
MAY 27:	S Reinthaler	S McKinney	JUL 22:	S Hodges	*

As an added inducement to sign up, there will be a prize drawing for all Klingspor's volunteers

FINANCIAL REPORT ...Lynne Patrick

February Ending Balance = \$6,131.30

MARCH INCOME:

- Dues: \$165
- Sales (wood, pins, etc): \$94.40
- Donation: \$35
- STEM payment for classes: \$872.00
- Refunds (Hobby Lobby/Klingspor) \$ 80.98
- Total Income \$ 1,247.38

MARCH EXPENSES:

- STEM Expenses: \$17.10
- Ann's Accounting & Tax File: \$50.00
- City of W-S (Picnic deposit): \$25.00
- Mocksville Tourism Devel Auth: \$50.00
- Liability Insurance Policy: \$266.00
- Total Expenses \$ 408.10

March Ending Balance **\$6,907.43**

2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our Treasurer (Lynne Patrick) Continues collecting dues. Dues remain at \$15 per year. But, as time goes by, things change and those changes may include your address, phone number or email. If the club is not aware of those changes, you may be left out in receiving information about our club. So what should you do?

There is a **Membership Form** on our website www.triadwoodcarvers.com. Please print it, fill it out, and give it to the treasurer along with your dues payment for 2023, If you can't print out the form, just write the information on a piece of paper and turn it in with your payment.



**CARVINGS
FOR KIDS**

GOAL: 100

SO FAR: 34



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

UPCOMING FESTIVALS

The **Daniel Boone Family Festival** is on Saturday, May 6, in downtown Mocksville, from 10 AM until 5 PM. There will be fun, food and crafts. Triad Woodcarvers will have two tables there. You can come and show your work and sell items if you wish. Come and enjoy the festivities and bring something to demonstrate carving.

The **Greeneville Iris Festival 28th Woodcarving Show**, hosted by Evergreen Woodcarvers, is on May 20 & 21 in Greeneville TN. Registration to enter carvings is \$20. The levels are juvenile, novice, intermediate, open and professional. The iris festival offers a lovely garden show as well.

CHARLOTTE SHOWCASE OF WOODCARVING

The **2023 Charlotte Showcase of Woodcarvings** is scheduled for **April 14-16, 2023**. This show is one of the largest in the Eastern United States, and will have over 800 carvings in 32-33 categories with carvers from 15-20 states. Woodcarving supply vendors will be available for you to purchase your supplies. There will be five free woodcarving seminars of 1-1.5 hours by major professionals during the show. Check the Charlotte Woodcarvers website or our display table for information.

All members are encouraged to enter and plan to attend the show. So, start carving your entries now. The cash award categories will be: Cotton Wood Bark, Caricatures, Pyrography, Chip Carving, Birds, and

LIBRARY...Bonnie Sparrow

We have a large collection of great reference books and magazines in our library (located in the room next to where we carve on Monday nights). It's inside one of the closets in that room. You can go and browse through the books and magazines and even check them out by signing your name in the check-out booklet provided.

Bonnie Sparrow has been graciously serving as our librarian and she would be glad to assist you if needed.



CARVING FOR NEW MEMBERS

New members should try and complete (1) **Grain Training**, (2) **Mushroom**, (3) **Star**, (4) **Comfort Bird**, (5) **Cowboy or Cowgirl Boot**, under the direction of any of the instructors listed below before starting on additional projects:

- Carol Adair
- Will Crawford
- Charles Griffin
- Stewart Hodges
- Tom Mock



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CLUB PROGRAM CARVING OPPORTUNITIES

Vice President Stuart Hodges is responsible for arranging carving programs for the Club in 2023 and he would appreciate any suggestions you might have for programs. Please contact him at (336) 413-3258 with your suggestions.

Below is a list of programs for the first quarter of 2023. Check the front table at the next carving session to sign up for a class. Classes may be limited, so sign up soon.

APRIL 3, 10, 17, & 24 (4-5:30 PM)

During the carving sessions in April, Will Crawford will be teaching participants to carve lovely angel ornaments. They make excellent Christmas projects. See the picture in this month's newsletter gallery. If you missed the first session, no worries. You can come and catch up. Email Will to sign up.

MAY 8, 15 & 22 (4-5:30 PM) Pyrography, with Lynne Patrick. Watch for details on the project. Look for the signup sheet at Monday meetings, or email Lynne.

More: Face & Body Proportions (June); Grssshopper (July); Painting Carvings (Sept); Santa Ornaments (Oct); Pumpkin Heads (Nov); Pattern Swap (Dec). Look on the website for more details.

PROJECTS FOR BEGINNERS If you are new to carving and need project ideas there will be a selection instructions and patterns for good beginner projects on the display table. If you see one you like you can ask for a copy to be made at the Rec Center front desk. If you need help finding a piece of wood or getting a blank cut, check with Charles Griffin or Carol Adair. Be sure to have a look in the library, especially at Woodcarving

Future training opportunities will be announced as soon as they are



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MEET THE NEW MEMBERS

In accordance with our plans to feature one or more of our new members in our newsletter we would like you to meet Chet Cosgrove & Robin Weant:



Patricia "Chet" Cosgrove (left) and Robin Weant (right) joined us on March 27. They recently took the Sawtooth green wood carving class and want to pursue their love for all things wood with us. Chet is originally from Detroit but has been in Winston-Salem since 1986. She is now retired, but worked as a jeweler, designing and crafting her own pieces. Robin is originally from Charlotte, but she has been in this area since 1998. She is a realtor, specializing in vineyards and wineries. Robin loves land, forests, old homes and the warmth and appeal of wood.

We look forward getting to know Chet and Robin and their talents!

We are happy to welcome Chet and Robin as members of TWC Club.

Be sure and introduce yourself at the next TWC meeting and get to know them better!

SCHEDULED TWC MEMBERS MEETING

Our next TWC Board meeting will be on May 1 at 5:00 PM. The next membership meeting will be on April 10 at 6:00PM; there will be prize raffles. Don't miss it!

BIRTHDAYS

The following members have April birthdays.

WE WISH EACH OF YOU THE HAPPIEST
BIRTHDAY EVER



- Nick Poschl. April 1
- Carol Mock. April 2
- James Ball. April 3
- Josh Portier April 11
- John Virgo April 13
- Dawn McDonald April 24
- Ron Adams. April 24

FAREWELL & BEST WISHES

One of our faithful members, PAUL HOLDER, has retired and is relocating to TENNESSEE to be near his family (especially the grandchildren!). We wish Paul and his wife all the best in their new home. We will keep in touch and we hope he can visit us when he is in town.

HEINECKE WOOD



The basswood we ordered from Heinecke Wood Products of Wisconsin has arrived. It has been priced per piece to include incurred shipping costs and will be available for club members at Monday night meetings.

Please purchase only what you need for your current project(s) so that everyone will have an opportunity to obtain wood. All pieces are 12 inches in length. Once you select a piece, please pay our treasurer, Lynne Patrick, for it. We will try and sell wood between 4:00 and 5:30 pm on Mondays.

If you need special cuts (example: diagonally cut a 2x2), we can make arrangements to take care of that with a slight upcharge per cut.

APRIL GALLERY

A flock of sheep by our STEM students



Maggie Halsey's Little Guy



Sheila Hunter's Very Hungry Caterpillar Automaton



Ruth McHenry's Chip-Carved Ornaments



Vince McHenry's
Gnomes



Lynne Patrick's Christmas
Ornaments: Woodburning
& Colored Pencil



Woodturned pieces by Nick
Poschl

BREAKING NEWS

DONATIONS FOR THE CHARLOTTE WOODCARVERS CLUB

The Charlotte Woodcarvers Club sponsors the Showcase of Woodcarving, which is April 14-16 (see details on page 3). They would appreciate donations of items for their raffle tables. This is one of the main ways they raise money to support this excellent show, which is an enormous undertaking. Donations could include a carving you have done, a carving by another carver from your collection, knives or other tools in good condition, books about carving, interesting pieces of wood, etc. Lynne Patrick has already delivered a number of items donated by our members to the Charlotte Club. If you'd like to donate an item, you can bring it to the Charlotte Showcase and give it to them when you register. Be sure to include a card with your name and details of the item.

A NOTE FROM RICHARD MAST

March 20, 2023

TWC Sunshine Committee:

Thank you so much for the touching "thinking of you" letter. I do so miss the warm and meaningful discussions with the many friends at TWC. I do have intentions of renewing my regular attendance and participation at club functions. As many of you know, COVID, my open heart surgery and my wife's worsening disability has consumed both my creativity and my time. Regretfully, my wife Kay, who has had 5 back surgeries, has a node on a lung which may be cancer. Bronchoscope test to get a biopsy inadvertently punctured a lung which put her in hospital for almost 2 weeks. Fixed, but mobility has lessened from an already limited scope. Home Health is beginning their regimen. I'm more tied up than ever. We hope to regain some of her mobility and in home independence so I can feel comfortable coming to meetings and maybe even the gym. I'm OK.

REMINDER: NEW MEMBERS

As a new member, you are entitled to:

- A membership card
- A Club Sticker (large or small)
- Free wood and carving lessons on five (5) basic projects
- The opportunity to use the Club library and checkout books, magazines, etc.
- The opportunity to use Club carving tools (knives, gouges, gloves, etc.)
- A 10% discount on most items (except power tools) at Klingspor's Woodworking Shop
- The opportunity to purchase Heinecke Basswood at Club meetings at a reduced price (while supplies are available)
- The opportunity to participate in classes on several carving/pyrography projects presented by the club each year
- The opportunity to participate in various carving events throughout the year
- The opportunity to attend the summer Club picnic and the Winter Christmas party

You may also purchase Club Patches and Pins at reasonable prices.



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS! 3/20/2023

Your Triad Woodcarvers Website Is continually being updated!

We are trying to keep the TWC Club website up-to-date with fresh information. So, if you haven't had a chance to look at it before now, please do so

(www.com).

We hope that you have found the **TWC Membership List** (password protected) on the website useful. It only contains names, emails and phone numbers of current members. Members last year that have not currently paid 2023 dues are also shown but "lined out."

A potential new member (currently residing in Florida but planning to move into this area) found out about us via our website—so, we are **visible!**

There are many videos and carving opportunities for new (and seasoned) members to look at for carving ideas. You'll find information on Club history, Club Newsletters, in-house carving events, community carving events, Club bylaws, a member carving GALLERY, and many other items.

Please let me know if you see corrections and additions; or, if you have other information that you would like to see on the website that is currently not there

(cwgriffin@triad.rr.com).

It's an excellent source for keeping abreast of the very latest happenings in and around the community.

CHECK IT OUT TODAY!