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COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT......Tony Leonardi

Dear Woodcarvers,

We have welcomed new members already in July. They are: Mary Kirk, Molly Preston, Brian Webb, and Allen Tomkinson and son, Everett.

We now number 87 paid members. Anyone who has not paid their dues, please see Lynne Patrick. Annual Dues remain at \$15.00.

Club members are aways interested in seeing what other members are carving. The Monday meeting is a great opportunity for 'Show and Share'. It's also an opportunity to get feedback from more experienced members. The Club has arranged for a Bob Stadtlander to teach a class on relief carving. Bob is nationally known for his work and teaches around the country. If you are interested please contact Stewart Hodges. Classes will be held on August 7,8, and 9. See the details.

Remember, We are always seeking volunteers for the Klingspor's Saturday carving demonstrations. Please see Bob Holtje for details and the benefits of volunteering.

See you on Mondays, Tony Leonardi

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

"I'm happy carving!"



first carving project.

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. OFFICERS and DIRECTOR

| President: | Tony Leonardi | | | |
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| Vice President: | Stewart Hodges | | | |
| Secretary: | Carol Adair | | | |
| Treasurer: | Lynne Patrick | | | |
| Director:s: | Carol Mock (2025), | | | |
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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.

Assistant: Charles Griffin Triad Woodcarvers ~ Founded in 2009



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

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^{*}.

| JUL 8 | B Sparrow | A Mendenhall | SEP 9 | B Sparrow | * |
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| JUL 22 | S Hodges | V McHenry | SEP 23 | S Hodges | C Griffin |
| AUG 12 | M Barry | * | OCT 14 | L Patrick | P Patrick |
| AUG 26 | S McKinney | W Crawford | OCT 28 | S Hodges | * |

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

FINANCIAL REPORT...Lynne Patrick

May Ending Balance =\$6,975.62

JUNE INCOME:

No Income for June

JUNE EXPENSES:

Richard Smithson (3 Helvie Knives): \$120.00 Arts Council (Festival): \$35.00 Bonnie Sparrow (Picnic supplies): \$122.36

Total Expenses \$ 277.36

JUNE Ending Balance \$6,698.26

Current membership: 87

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 <u>www.triadwoodcarvers.com</u>. 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: 64



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

UPCOMING FESTIVALS

Artisans in the Park, Paul Ciener Botanical Gardens- July 14 & 15.

German Festival, Granite Quarry, NC: Sept 16.

Murray's Mill Harvest Folk Festival: Sep 23 & 24

Bethabara Apple Festival: Sep 23.

ANNUAL SUMMER CLUB PICNIC

RELIEF CARVING WITH BOB STADTLANDER!!!!!!

Members have a rare opportunity to participate in a class with reknowned relief carver Bob Stadtlander. The dates are AUGUST 7, 8 & 9, from 9 Am till 5 PM, at Trinity Presbyterian Church Cost: \$110 includes wood. See below for more details

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





CLUB PROGRAM CARVING OPPORTUNITIES

Vice President Stewart 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 remainder of 2023. Check the front table at the next carving session to sign up for a class. Class sizes may be limited, so sign up soon.

There will be a minimal charge for wood used in the classes.

JULY: A Chirping Cricket, classic folk art toy, with Tom Mock.

AUGUST: Spoon Carving with Ruth McHenry. Great opportunity!

SEPTEMBER: Caricature Pumpkin Heads, with Stewart Hodges. Get ready for Halloween!

OCTOBER: Santa Ornaments, with Tim Trudgeon. Classic Santa for your tree or for Christmas gifts.

NOVEMBER: Tips for Painting Carvings, with Carol Adair. Bring a carving or two to paint. Supplies provided.

DECEMBER: Pattern swap. Details to follow!

Look on the website for more details.

Future training opportunities will be announced as soon as they are



MEET THE NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members! Meet a few of our new folks for July:



Molly Preston moved to the Winston-Salem area from Virginia last September. She found out about us at the Paul Ciener Botanical Gardens event



Brian Webb has had a desire to pursue woodcarving for a while. He has been watching Doug Linker videos online and discovered us through an internet search.



Brian Tomkinson has been doing woodworking, furniture-making, for some time. Everett saw our display case at Klingspor's and his interest was sparked. What an excellent father-son activity!



SCHEDULED TWC MEMBERS MEETING

Our next TWC Board meeting will be on August 7 at 5:00 PM. The next membership meeting will be on August 14 at 6:00 PM; there will be prize raffles.

BIRTHDAYS

The following members have June birthdays.

WE WISH EACH OF YOU THE HAPPIEST BIRTHDAY EVER



- Charles Griffin July 1
- Allie Hutchison July 2
- Sheila Hunter July 7
- Paul Andrews July 12
- Jesse CalderoneJuly 17
- Everett Tomkinson July 25
- Liz Duncan July 26
- John Lawrence July 26
- Amy Mendenhall July 29
- Grayson Tollenaer July 31

Our Summer Picnic on June 26 was great fun. The food was delicious and it was nice to visit with spouses and other guests of our members. Thanks to Bonnie Sparrow for her wonderful organizational skills! And thanks to Bob Holtje for putting together an exceptional raffle with all sorts of prizes, including carving books, knives, wood blocks, carvings and gift cards from Klingspor's.

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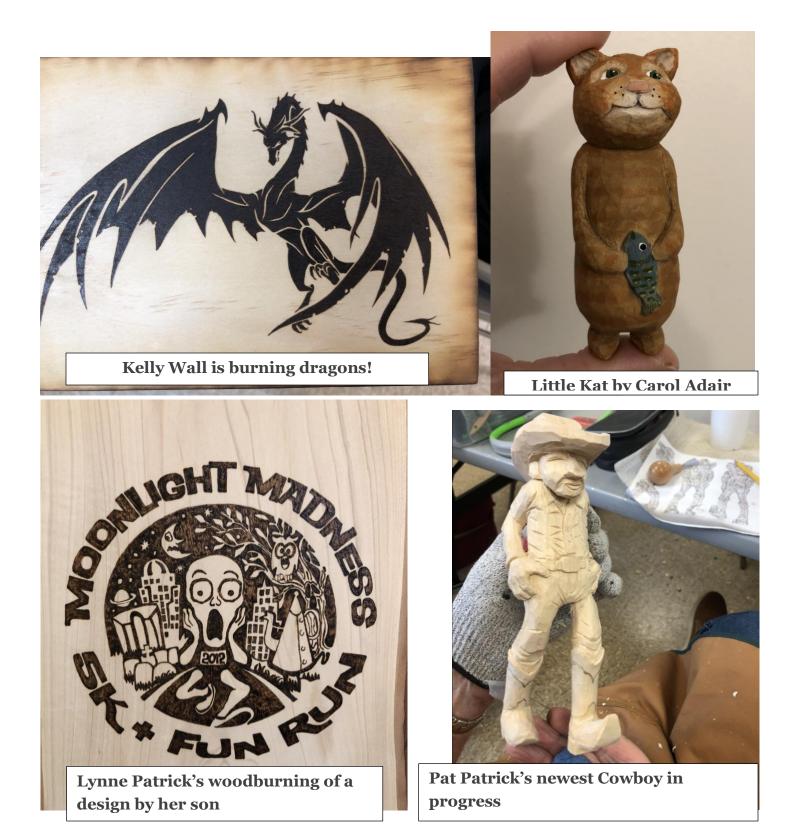


Charles has ordered more high quality basswood from Heinecke Wood Products of Wisconsin. It has been priced per piece to include incurred shipping costs and will be available for club members

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.

JULY GALLERY





Tom Mock is getting ready for Christmas with a series of Santas; is a self-portrait next?

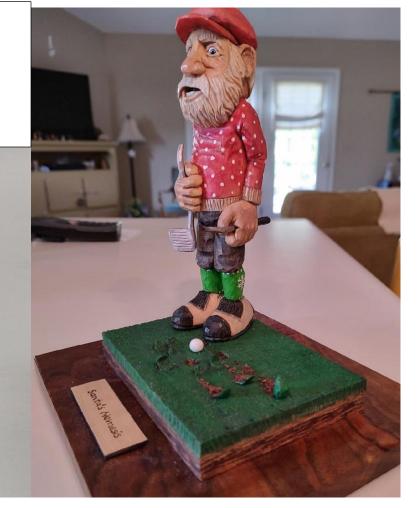


Ray Branch carved this cute chef



Theresa dePrat, though new to carving, is already making outstanding faces!

Tim Trudgeon's "Comb-over Guy" knife sheath, below, and golfing Santa, right. Vote for this guy in the Woodcarving Illustrated magazine's Knife sheath contest!





Bob Holtje has been experimenting with encasing tiny carvings in resin and making unique bottle stoppers



Sheila and Tim carved these knife sheaths for a "Knife Sheath Competition" in Woodcarving Illustrated. Magazine. Go to the website and vote for their carvings and help them win!

RELIEF CARVING CLASS WITH BOB STADTLANDER, SPONSORED BY TWC

Our club is sponsoring a class on relief carving by Bob Stadtlander, who is very well known in the world of woodcarving for his beautiful relief carvings. The maximum number of participants of 12. This is a major time commitment, but it is very worthwhile if you can manage it. The class will meet at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem, on August 7,8 & 9, from 9 AM until 5 PM. Wood, patterns, and instruction will be provided by Bob. The cost is \$110, which is much less than his usual fee, as the club will provide his accommodations. Participants can choose from several projects. A minimum of 8 participants is needed, so payment will be needed in advance. Contact Stewart Hodges (336-413-3258) to sign up for the class and get more information on your choice of projects. Bring your own tools- and we will bring club tools as well.

If you have signed up for the class, please confirm with Stewart. You also need to select your project. Look at your choices at <u>www.stadtlandercarvings.com</u>; look under the "Class and Show Schedule" tab. You may choose from the "Two-Day Projects". Let Stewart know which project you want to do so he can notify Bob Stadtlander.

Trinity Presbyterian Church is at 1416 Bolton Street, Winston-Salem, 27103.

ARE YOU A NEW CARVER IN NEED OF PROJECTS?

1. Check the website: Charles Griffin has helpful materials under the "Videos & Tutorials" and "Resources: New carving ideas" tabs. Many of the projects, especially Doug Linker's, can be done with just a small block of wood, without the need for a bandsaw. Just a stick of wood and a little handsaw to cut to length.

2. Check out old issues of Woodcarving Illustrated, as well as our books, in the Club library "closet"- check out the item or ask the front desk for a copy of the pages you need.

3. Look at the "Easy Projects" binder on the display table and check for easy project kits that are put out from time to time.

4. If you want to make a project that requires having a blank cut, but you have no bandsaw, bring the wood and pattern to Carol Adair for help.

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.