



TRIAD WOODCARVERS NEWSLETTER

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Triad Woodcarvers ~ Founded in 2009

COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT.....Tony Leonardi

Dear Club Members,

Our Club membership keeps growing!. We welcome these latest members: Paul Andrews, John Lawrence and Theresa de Prat We now number 81 paid members. If you haven't paid your dues, please remember to do so by connecting with either Lynne Patrick or Charles Griffin.

Our Club is having its annual picnic on Monday, June 26th. It's a pot luck affair, with the club supplying barbecue and drinks. It's a time for enjoying the company and cooking of Club members, and meeting the "significant others" of some of our members. Please bring a chair.

Our Club meetings are a great opportunity for 'Show and Share'. Your fellow carvers are always interested in seeing what members are creating. If you haven't already, bring your latest completed project to the next club meeting.

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

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*.

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| JUN 10 | S Hodges | T Trudgeon | AUG 12 | M Barry | * |
| JUN 24 | K Wall | R Smith | AUG 26 | S McKinney | ? W Crawford |
| JUL 8 | B Sparrow | A Mendenhall | SEP 9 | B Sparrow | * |
| JUL 22 | S Hodges | V McHenry | SEP 23 | S Hodges | C Griffin |

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

FINANCIAL REPORT ...Lynne Patrick

April Ending Balance = \$6,881.52

MAY INCOME:

- Dues: \$85
- Sales (wood, pins, etc): \$70.00
- 3 Burners from STEM: \$90.00
- Program receipts from Lynne Patrick: \$61
- Total Income \$ 306.00

MAY EXPENSES:

- Will Crawford (STEM Expenses): \$15.98
- Custom Advertising (Brochures):: \$195.92

Total Expenses \$ 211.90

May Ending Balance \$6,975.62

Current membership: 81

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: 54



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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

It's Finally Time!!! The social event of the season!!! The ANNUAL TRIAD WOODCARVERS SUMMER PICNIC!! MONDAY, JUNE 26.

Look in the Breaking News section of this Newsletter for more

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 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.

JUNE 6 & 13: Face & Body Proportions, with Stewart Hodges. Learn to make more realistic human figures and create your own carving patterns.

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

AUGUST: Tentatively, Spoon Carving with Ruth McHenry

SEPTEMBER: Caricature Pumpkin Heads, with Stewart Hodges. Get re

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.

Future training opportunities will be announced as soon as they are



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MEET THE NEW MEMBERS

We welcomed Theresa de Prat to Triad Woodcarvers in May:



Theresa de Prat joined us in May. She was interested in woodworking opportunities and found our website and saw our displays at Klingspor's, so our outreach program is working. Although Theresa had no previous carving experience, as you can see she has a natural talent, already completing the mushroom and star projects in short order, and moving on to the boot. We look forward to keeping her busy with plenty more projects and challenges. Welcome her and take a look at her carvings!

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.**

SCHEDULED TWC MEMBERS MEETING

Our next TWC Board meeting will be on July 3 at 5:00 PM. The next membership meeting will be on June 12 at 6:00 PM; there will be prize raffles. AND Charles will draw the winner of the Helvie knife from the pool of members who identified the location of his "Hidden Gnome" Don't miss it!

BIRTHDAYS

The following members have June birthdays.

WE WISH EACH OF YOU THE HAPPIEST BIRTHDAY EVER



- Sara Reinthaler June 4
- Bob Holtje June 9
- Bill Johnson June 12
- Larry Masencup June 24
- Randy Smith. June 30

In the Summer and Fall there are many festivals which present opportunities for members to demonstrate carving, display work, and, in some cases, sell items. A comprehensive list is found on our website under "Club Events". Check for details of those coming up soon under Breaking News

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.

JUNE GALLERY



The Artisans Marketplace at
Bailey Park
In
Downtown Winston-Salem,
May 31





Stewart Hodges' Western Caricature scene won Best of Open at the Iris Festival.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Sign up for Tom Mock's class in July and make this "Chirping Cricket" folk art toy



Cardinals, Jim Carpenter

**Carved Bearclaw Necklace,
Stewart Hodges**



**Mike Violette's smiling fish for Ronald McDonald
House**





Greg White's Happy
Whale and Jeanie
White's nicely
Textured Turtle for
Ronald McDonald
House





Jim Carpenter has donated many birds and turtles for Ronald McDonald House



Easy 3-inch bears by Carol Adair. Kit and instructions for new carvers coming soon.



TWC CLUB PICNIC

The big picnic is coming soon. Mark your calendars for Monday June 26th! We will meet at Shelter #1 in Miller Park. It is near the parking lot off Knollwood Street (make a left turn onto the first small street after the Knollwood/Queen Street traffic light, if you are coming from Stratford Road. There will be balloons on the street sign where you will turn. Some of us will be there by 4:00 to set up, so feel free to come early. We will eat around 5:00, but if you can't be there right at 5:00, no worries (we'll have plenty of food). The Club will provide Barbecue for sandwiches as well as plates, cups, etc. Bring a side dish or dessert- and your favorite non-alcoholic beverage. A lawn chair is a good idea too!

If you have raffle items to contribute contact Bob Holtje.; you can give them to Bob, Bonnie or Carol at Monday meetings before the picnic. Small carvings are especially fun; carving books, wood blocks, cutouts, roughouts, tools, etc are also great for the raffle. Questions: Ask Bonnie Sparrow or Carol Adair.

CARVINGS FOR KIDS at the RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE: We are off to a great start this year, with 54 carvings completed at the end of May. Thanks to all who have contributed to this effort with your delightful critters. A special thanks to **Jim Carpenter and **Mike Violette**, who are comfort critter machines, boosting our numbers dramatically this year.**

ANNUAL ARTISANS IN THE GARDEN AT PAUL CIENER BOTABICAL GARDENS IN KERNERSVILLE, Friday July 14 (10 AM-3 PM) & Saturday July 15 (10 AM-2 PM)

The club has a table reserved. Come join members of TWC at this venue to demonstrate carving, display your work, and sell items if you wish. It is indoors. If you are interested in participating contact Carol Mock.

CONGRATULATIONS TO STEWART HODGES!! Stewart won "Best of Open" at the Greeneville Iris Festival last month. The competition is sponsored by the Evergreen Woodcarving Club. Have a look at his winning piece in this month's gallery.

Be sure to pick up and return a member survey from the display table on Mondays. Let us know what your special interests and talents are- and if you would like to help with the workings of our organization.



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!

6/1/2023

The “find the gnome” contest is now officially over!



Only seven people were successful in locating the gnome and will be entered into a drawing for A BEAUTIFUL, BRAND NEW, HELVIE KNIFE!

The little gnome was resting on the front leg of a painted horse under PROGRAMS/MEETINGS, PROGRAMS, NOVEMBER (2023). Carol Adair will be teaching the sessions on “Painting Your Wooden Carvings.” [Take a look! He will remain there for a while for all to see]

The seven names will be placed in a box and the winner will be drawn out at the Club Business Meeting on June 12th at 6:00 PM.

Thanks to all who searched for the gnome and congrats to those who found him:

Sheila Hunter, Pat Patrick, Lynne Patrick, Maggie Halsey,, Sara Reinthaler, Bonnie Sparrow and Michael Morris.

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.