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# TRIAD WOODCARVERS NEWS

*Based in Winston-Salem — Carving throughout the Piedmont Triad*

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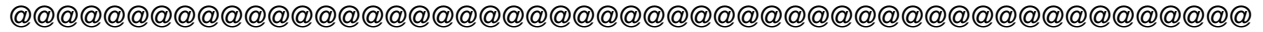
## **Carving Session on Monday, October 11, 2021:**

We will meet at the Miller Park Community Center in Winston-Salem as usual, from **4:00 to 9:00 pm.** You can come as early or late as you like, and leave whenever you wish. Masks are required in the building because of the youth programs there and continuing COVID-19 restrictions. There are no special programs scheduled for October, but there will be lots of carving going on, and we hope to see samples of each other's work. Lessons for beginning carvers will continue.

**NOVEMBER** - On November 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 p.m., Lynne Patrick will teach Pyrography.

Here are a few photos from our recent Carving Sessions:





**TRIAD WOODCARVERS**

**MINUTES**

**GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021**

*This is the first General Business Meeting the club has had since March 2, 2020 because of restrictions caused by the COVID-19 virus. The meeting was called on the spot during a Carving Session of the club when the President found that there was some easing of the virus activity and there was a good attendance at the session.*

*President Stewart Hodges called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, Monday, September 13, 2021, at the Miller park Community Center in Winston-Salem, NC. There were twenty four members present, including the following Officers and Directors:*

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| <i>Stewart Hodges</i>  | <i>President</i>   |
| <i>Lynne Patrick</i>   | <i>Vice President</i>  |
| <i>Allie Hutchison</i> | <i>Secretary</i>   |
| <i>Bonnie Sparrow</i>  | <i>Director</i>  |
| <i>Bob Holtje</i>      | <i>Director</i>  |
| <i>Tim Trudgeon</i>    | <i>Director</i>  |
| <i>Ray Branch</i>      | <i>Membership and Public Relations Chair; Nominating Committee Chair</i> |
| <i>Tony Leonardi</i>   | <i>Fundraising Chair</i>   |
| <i>Carol Adair</i>     | <i>Angels of Hope Chair; and Social Committee Co-Chair</i>               |
| <i>Will Crawford</i>   | <i>Youth Woodcarving Instruction Program Chair and Web Masters Chair</i> |

*Charles Griffin, Treasurer, was absent due to COVID-19 restrictions.*

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Vice President Lynne Patrick reported on the successful carving weekend of September 10 and 11 when Tom Gow held two full days of classes on carving cotton-wood bark. Several cotton-wood house carvings by the students were on display at the meeting. Six people attended the classes, including one who drove up from Charlotte to attend the sessions.*

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*Will Crawford reported on the feelings of many very active members that, as the club grows and adds activities and obligations, it needs to be more intentional and thorough in its planning. There was general discussion from the members including the following suggestions:*

- There needs to be a general plan for the club's ongoing activities, and then a plan for what committees we should have to support those activities and obligations, and how to recruit members to look after these responsibilities on an ongoing basis.*
- The Web Site and Facebook Pages were planned and set up well, but then left to a single person to continue the maintenance. Now these publicity, recruiting and communications tools are falling out-of-date and there is no backup personnel to pick up the responsibilities.*
- The STEM Youth Woodcarving Program has a good syllabus and planning for the sessions, and great instruction. However there are no backup instructors when a regularly scheduled instructor cannot be there. We need a list of qualified substitute teachers that have agreed to be on call.*

- *These are continuous Club projects that are obligations we have made and reflect poorly on the club if we falter.*

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*Tony Leonardi reported on the preparations for the **Read-Write-Spell & Triad Woodcarvers Art Show and Fundraiser**. This is a fundraiser for the Read-Write-Spell organization, that provides supplies and several hundred tutors to mentor and teach children who are falling behind in their language and reading skills. It is also **the only** fundraiser for Triad Woodcarvers, and it is a path for those who want to to sell their art. There are thirty carvers signed up to display and sell their carvings, and between seventy and one hundred total artists in the show. David Boone, perhaps the USA's top carver will also be displaying his work. All woodcarvers are urged to participate.*

***One special thing all members can do is spread the word to all your friends about this great event and get them to attend. We need lots of traffic.***

*The Art Show will be held November 6, 2021. The location is still to be announced. Contact Tony to find out how you can participate. Tony Leonardi, [leonardi@surry.net](mailto:leonardi@surry.net) or (336) 374-2458.*

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

*Ray Branch announced that, as of today, the Winston-Salem Fair has **NOT** been called off because of COVID-19. However there will be a meeting of the Board of Aldermen next week that will reconsider that matter. As a result we are still committed to manning a table there, demonstrating woodcarving and promoting our club. The carvers who man the table will receive a free parking pass and free admission to the fair on the days they demonstrate.*

*The Bethabara Apple Festival has been called off for this year. They will have some apple growers selling their wares, but we will not be demonstrating woodcarving there.*

*Vice President Lynne Patrick announced that the club will be selecting a **Carver Of The Year**, to recognize the member who has contributed the most to the club and its activities. A form to make nominations is available on our website ([TriadWoodcarvers.com](http://TriadWoodcarvers.com)) to make nominations for this award. We hope all members will print out this form and send it to Lynne Patrick, 6601 Village Brook Trail, Clemmons, NC 27012 or [lpatrick1@triad.rr.com](mailto:lpatrick1@triad.rr.com) to make a nomination. The person with the most nominations will be the winner of the award. This award will be given at the December Social.*

*Bonnie Sparrow, CoChair of the Social Committee, announced that she is beginning to plan for the December Social, but the date has not been set.*

*Ray Branch told the carvers that the Greensboro Arts Council has announced that it is accepting applications for money grants to arts organizations. It is not known whether an organization in Winston-Salem would be considered, but Ray is going to find out. This might help our STEM Woodcarving Program.*

*Ray also announced that **Sherry Kye**, a Triad Woodcarvers Member, and **President of Twin City Artisans**, has invited Triad Woodcarvers to take a free table at their fall Art Show on December 10 and 11, 2021. More details will be announced later, but Ray is checking members for interest in participating.*

*Ray also reminded us that the **Showcase of Woodcarvings in Charlotte** will be April 1 through 3, 2022. This is the largest woodcarving show in the Southeast US, and is well participated in by our members.*



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Volunteering on Saturdays at Klingspor Time: 10 AM to 2 PM – every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

Bring some of your carvings and something to carve.

Big Blue Container under table next to book sales area. It contains a black cloth to cover table inside book area, wood sign, brochures and sheets for interested people to sign up for mailing list.

Please give info to Ray Branch so he can contact and put on mailing list.

**Contact Bob Holtje**

**336-682-8638**    [Bob@WoodByBob.com](mailto:Bob@WoodByBob.com)

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>Sept 11</b>	<b>Bonnie Sparrow</b>	<b>Randy Smith</b>
<b>Sept 18</b>	<b>Randy Smith</b>	<b>Stewart Hodges</b>
<b>Oct 2</b>	<b>Allie Hutchinson</b>	<b>Bob Holtje</b>
<b>Oct 16</b>	<b>HELP</b>	<b>Help</b>
<b>Nov 6</b>	<b>Carol Adair</b>	<b>Bonnie Sparrow</b>
<b>Nov 20</b>	<b>HELP</b>	<b>HELP</b>
<b>Dec 4</b>	<b>Stewart Hodges</b>	<b>HELP</b>
<b>Dec 18</b>	<b>HELP</b>	<b>HELP</b>

**Prize Drawing at Christmas Party for KP Volunteers**

**BIG THANK YOU TO SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS**

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## HONORARY CARVER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Noting that the goal of the Triad Woodcarvers Club is to promote the art of woodcarving in the community, the following guidelines shall be used to nominate a member of the club for **HONORARY CARVER OF THE YEAR AWARD**.

1. The individual must be an active adult member of the *Triad Woodcarvers* for at least two (2) years and demonstrate active participation in woodcarving events.
2. The individual should be of high character, have a true desire to help others, and demonstrate his/her willingness to represent the club in a positive way as a member, club officer, board of director member, committee chair, carving instructor and the like.
3. The individual should be sensitive to the need of other club members and help them achieve and/or enhance their woodcarving skill levels.
4. The award will be given at the club's Christmas social.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, nominate  
(your name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(your selection)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***YOU get to help choose the person to receive this award. This form must be returned to Lynne Patrick no later than December 6, 2021 to get your nomination in.***

Lynne Patrick, 6601 Village Brook Trail, Clemmons, NC 27012  
**OR** [LPatrick1@triad.rr.com](mailto:LPatrick1@triad.rr.com)

Several Triad Woodcarvers entered the Carving Competition at the Carolina Classic Fair and won Ribbons ! ! ! ! *We ask all members who entered and or won ribbons at the fair to PLEASE bring your carvings to the October 11 Carving Session.* We have photos of some of them below, but would like to get photos of more for the November newsletter.



Pat Patrick's horse won a first place Blue Ribbon; Lynne Patrick's rabbit won a first place Blue Ribbon; Pat Patrick's Cowboy won a third place White Ribbon, and his dieting Santa won a Fourth Place Pink Ribbon; and Lynne Patrick's wood burned birdhouse won a second place Red Ribbon.

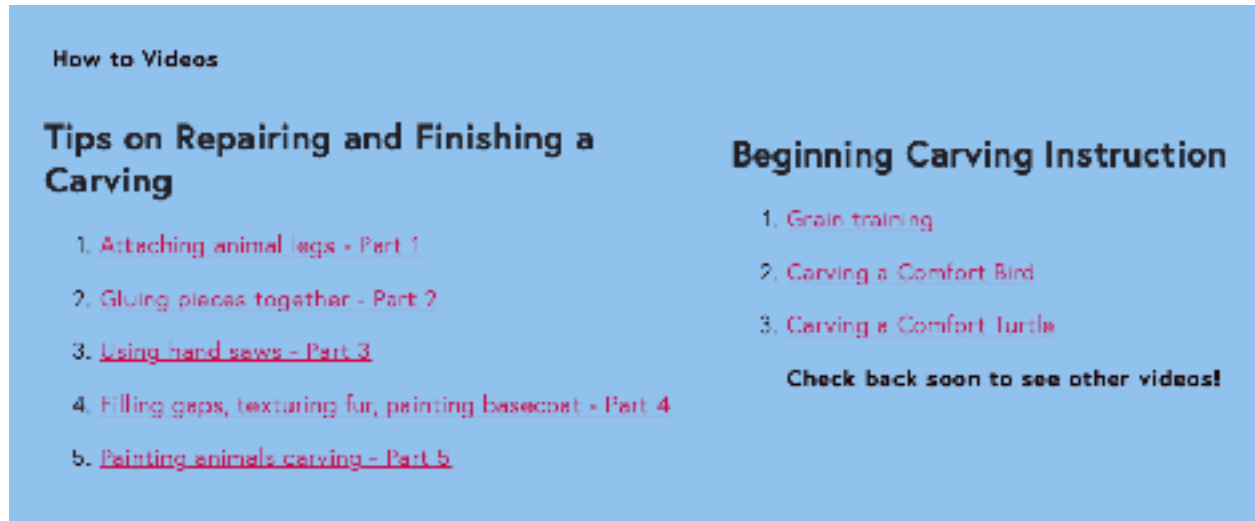
Stewart Hodges' two baseball player figures were not entered, but were shown at our Carving Session Oct. 4th.

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**Check Out the Instructional Videos on the triad [woodcarvers.com](http://woodcarvers.com) webpage.**

**In the works: Knives, Stropping and Sharpening; Carving a Star; and Carving a Simple Mushroom.  
Note FREE cutouts of Comfort Bird and Comfort Turtle for donation to Ronald McDonald House are available from Carol Adair at meetings.**

[TriadWoodCarvers.com](http://TriadWoodCarvers.com) Then select **HOW TO VIDEOS**



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## **CARVING TOOLS AND SUPPLIES FOR SALE !**

This notice was in the September issue, but some of these tools may still be for sale.

Foredom Power Carver  
Master Detail 11 Pyrography set with three burners  
Hold-down clamps  
4 to 5 rough-outs for duck decoys  
Several books and magazines on Bird Carving

Sold individually, or as priced together.

If interested contact Dar Hall, Telephone 336-408-6778. If you call first, you can view these items at his home at 1034 Kewwick Lane, Salem Glenn, Clemmons, NC.

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## **AND ON THROUGH 2021!!**

**Triad Woodcarver Meeting Programs.** As you can see above, plans are to continue our successful program of classes.. Lynne Patrick welcomes suggestions.

### **Read-Write-Spell & Triad Woodcarvers Art Show and Fundraiser**

Triad Woodcarvers has partnered with Read/WS—an organization dedicated to providing mentorship to children to enhance their skill-set in the areas of reading, writing and spelling—to cosponsor an ART SHOW. It is expected that 70-100 artisans – including two-dimensional art (paintings, drawings, etc.), woodcarving, jewelry, ceramics, pottery, etc. – will participate. This ART SHOW, originally scheduled for November, 2020 has now been postponed to NOVEMBER 6, 2021.

Triad Woodcarvers are urged to participate, and to date, 28 members have indicated that they will enter this ART Show. It is several months away now and plenty of time to turn out some of your best work. Note that David Boone – perhaps the USA’s top professional carver – has graciously agreed to show a couple of his works to promote the art of woodcarving. Darlene Tarleton, one of the best animal carvers in the nation, has also agreed to show here as well.

Further details regarding registration, forms, schedule, etc. will be available in the next few weeks. Tony Leonardi, Fundraising Chair for both Read/WS and Triad Woodcarvers, and Ray Branch are representing the Club for this project. **Please contact Tony Leonardi at [leonardi@surry.net](mailto:leonardi@surry.net) or (336) 374-2458 and let him know if you will enter this art show - and any questions you may have.**

**The Charlotte Showcase of Woodcarvings has been postponed again to APRIL 2-3, 2022.** While we are not participating in a Challenge as we did in 2020, we are encouraging Triad Woodcarver members to enter the competition. We were the most active club at the 2020 Show and would like to be again in 2022. We had 31 carvers enter in 2020 and would like to have 50 Triad Woodcarvers enter in 2022. Show theme is: **Everything Tom Wolfe.** The Club has numerous Tom Wolfe books. Pick up one and make a Tom Wolfe carving.

Allie Hutchison, Sr.  
Secretary, Triad Woodcarvers