



CAPITOL WOODCARVERS

Salem, Oregon

September Newsletter 2017

<http://capitolwoodcarvers.org>

Thoughts from the President's Corner

It has been a hard month for the Salem carving community. We have lost two long time carvers, Dave Dissellbrett and Eileen Whaley. I did not know Eileen and understand she has not been active the last several years. On the other hand I have gotten to know Dave quite well from taking his Monday night classes, carving with him at Everett's and the Center 50+. Whatever success I have had as a caricature carver I owe to Dave's patience and skill. He was a fine teacher and a wonderful friend. I know we are all already missing him. I am glad to say that I saw many of our members at Dave's Celebration of Life. Several of you got up and spoke of his attributes and told stories of his life. Some were too sad to speak.

This afternoon before sitting down to write this I was informed that Rich Lucero has been hospitalized at Salem Hospital with a heart attack. A splint has been installed and surgery is a possibility. Rich is a great artist, he was a longtime carver with the Albany carousel, and joined the Salem Riverfront carousel 2 years ago. He is a member of our club as well. Please consider sending him your best wishes.

On a happier note, Jim Harris is taking the Wednesday carving class at Center 50+. I have signed up with the center in order to keep the Monday night carving session going. I will offer what help I can give, will provide blanks for small projects and Christmas ornaments. Donna has agreed to provide assistance with wood burning projects as well on Monday nights. There are only two more meetings before the sale. We need to have the ornaments turned in no later than the October meetings. Bob Fisher, Bob Curtis and I are accepting your donated ornaments.

We had a good turnout at the State Fair where we manned a booth for two days, thanks for the support. Thanks Jack Dalton for a job well done heading up the effort.

Everett Koontz has done a remarkable job getting this years rendezvous set up and running. He has in the past partnered with Dave Dissellbrett to put the rendezvous on. I am sure people from the Club will step forward to help with next year's event.

Note from Everett Koontz

Hi, if you want to be in the ornament trade with the Tri-Cities club, let me know. I will need the ornaments before the beginning week of November so I can get them mailed in time for their meeting.
Everett

Note from Jack Dalton

Thank you all for your help in manning our booth at the State Fair. We had many interested visitors stop by to admire all the wonderful carvings displayed by our carvers and learn more about our organization.

We are so lucky to have so many talented carvers in our group and your willingness to share your skills with others. I don't want to forget to thank Judy Barker who also manned the booth, but I don't have her email address, and Mary Davis and Bob Lanning who don't have an email address. I really enjoyed sharing your time and skills at the fair. Thank you all very much!!

Jack Dalton

"Bored" Dinner and Breakfast Schedule

Many of us enjoy the company of other carvers at our monthly "Bored" dinners and breakfasts. These events are very enjoyable and are a good opportunity to socialize with each other at other than woodcarving sessions. Spouses, family, and friends are always welcome.

Dinners are scheduled for 6:00PM and breakfasts are at 8:00AM unless otherwise noted

Dinners

October 12 Olive Garden

November 9 Gambretti's

December 31 Best Little Road House (5:00PM)

January 11 Thai Orchid

Breakfasts

September 30 Elmer's

October 28 Annette's

November 18 Sybil's

December 30 Mommy and Maddy's

Hope to see you at these functions.

Upcoming Meetings

September 26, 2017

Treats for September: Tom & Laura Seymour

For those who want to sign up for October treats list, please let Donna Miller know right away. Please either email her or see her at the next meeting to get on the list. Dleem2k@comcast.net

September Program: Carving Drapes and Folds

Ever wonder how to carve the drapes on the back of your Santa coat or the folds in fabric?

Donna Miller and Kathie Dalton will be presenting a demonstration and slide show on the various techniques used to make sure all your folds are going the right way and the fabric is draped correctly. No tools needed.

ORNAMENT COLLECTION

October 31, 2017

Program to be announced

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November 28, 2017

Holiday Pot Luck, Election of Club officers. The election of officers for the Capitol Woodcarvers occurs at the November meeting. Nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer are now being accepted. Please submit nominee names to the nominating committee (Don Fromherz).

Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday September 27 at 6:30 PM. Board meetings are open to Club members. For more information or to submit agenda items, call or email Denis Miller, President or Don Fromherz, Vice President.

Christmas Ornaments

The Capitol Woodcarvers will be selling ornaments at the annual Polk County 4-H Leader's Association Holiday Fair on Friday and Saturday, November 3rd & 4 th, from 9 AM to 5 PM, at the Polk County Fair Grounds. This is our Club's main fundraiser. Bob Curtis is the lead guy for this event.

The Club also decorates a tree with our ornaments for sale at the Center 50+. Proceeds from these ornaments go to help support the Center.

So...we need lots of ornaments. They can be turned in to Bob Curtis, Denis Miller, or Don Fromherz anytime, and at the September or October monthly club meetings.

Celebration of Life for Dave Disselbrett

Many Capitol Woodcarver Club members attended a "celebration of life" for Dave Disselbrett. Several carvers shared thoughts, memories and sentiments with those present. Dave was a big influence in the Capitol Woodcarvers Club and was instrumental in teaching many carvers. He will be missed.

Carving Classes at the Center 50+

The Monday evening class will continue with Denis Miller instructing. The Wednesday morning class will continue with Jim Harris instructing.

Club Members at the Oregon State Fair

Ray Weekly, our Club Treasurer, entered two carvings into the State Fair. Both carvings were exceptionally well done. His lion relief carving won a Blue Ribbon.

Kaler Howard won a Red Ribbon in the Pyrography (woodburning) category with her entry, which had previously won Best of Show at the Yamhill County Fair. She also won a Red Ribbon for a knitted sweater.

Several other multitalented Club Members had entrees in Pine Needle Basketry. Among the entrants were ribbon winners: Laurie Ladd (white), Patty Ashford (blue), and Billie Larson (Red and White).

Capitol Woodcarvers Website

Be sure to check out our club website at capitolwoodcarvers.org There you will find tons of up to date information including:

- Club News
- Meet a Member
- Newsletter
- Events

THIS IS YOUR 'GO TO' SOURCE FOR CLUB INFORMATION

Bob Curtis is the Webmaster and he welcomes news, photos, and other items of interest.

Meet Gary and Laura Woods



Gary and Laura started carving in 2017, and joined Capitol Woodcarvers in June.

The couple became interested in carving after visiting the Salem Carousel and chatting with the volunteer carvers and painters there. They subsequently joined the carousel group and began the learning process. They are eager to hone their skills (and tools), and are not hesitant to seek out tips from other carvers.

Gary is retired from a career in graphic design and has a fine arts background. He is also a musician who enjoys playing guitar and banjo. He once had an extensive collection of banjos

Laura is retired from Kaiser Permanente as the Administer of Professional Payroll Accounts. She enjoys quilting, church and family.

Gary and Laura have four daughters, Dede, Christina, Jamie and Jennifer. They also have 10 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Meet Don Currey



Don got interested in carving in 2004 when two of his friends started carving fish and birds. They put him in touch with Linda Schmidt who was teaching carving. He joined Capitol Woodcarvers in 2006 and has been very active with the club in many capacities, including club president. He enjoys carving cypress knees, cottonwood bark houses and trees, bears, Santa, some relief carving and a variety of other projects.

Along with carving Don's artistic interests include local live plays, leather craft, boat building and stained (leaded) glass windows.

Don retired from school administration as a district and county superintendent. In retirement he enjoys hunting, fishing and travel. He enjoys people and people watching along with seeing new places and trying different things.

Don and his wife Lorraine have been married 51 years. They have a son Curtis and a daughter Kristn.