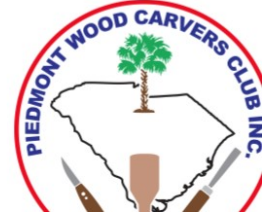


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The PWCC monthly meeting will be held this Saturday 10/16/21 at 10 am.

THAT IS AT 10 AM

If you get there early setting up the room, making coffee etc. would certainly be in order.

Parents of Junior Members are reminded to adhere to the requirements to assure that our younger members have a parent present in case of an emergency incident.

Per the PWCC Membership Application all Junior Members must:

1. have a parent as member of PWCC
2. Have the member parent present and accompany the Junior Member at all times
3. Have parent signature on Waiver of Liability

CARVER/S WANTED—Our friends at Woodcraft Greenville are looking for a carver/s to teach short sessions at their store facility on Miller Rd, Contact David Collins at 864-627-8760 to discuss details and compensation.

Editorial Note—Remember where we all started, not being able to sharpen a tool or knowing what wood to use. I ask that you to be willing to share your years of knowledge with your fellow carvers. I know I'm sometimes reluctant to offer a suggestion, shame on me. I want my colleagues to be the best carvers they can be, to enjoy years of carving, improving every year. This being said, please take the initiative to ask for help or share your experience as needed.

The Board of Directors met this week, trying to get caught up from all the disruptions resulting from covid restrictions. Following is a summary of some of the actions taken.

Gay Greer reported on our Show and Sell event. While attendance was not what we hoped for, our members had a great time. It was really great to be out on such a nice day and able to visit with each other. Sales were promising some sold 20 or more carvings, Merry Christmas for someone. Thanks to all who participated and/or visited.

Board of directors actions

1. The Board voted to not have a table at the Charlotte show, but urge members to attend
2. The Board reaffirmed the practice that Club Ed (aka) members teaching members will continue to be tuition free and that instructors may charge a materials fee. Betty Card is managing the program so your participation as a student or as an instructor will help the program. Seminars as managed by Dick Card are generally longer/more complex events for which a tuition is charged and collected for the instructor. Often a material fee is also charged. Please cooperate with Dick and Betty to support the programs you asked to have. It is not in our best interest to cancel a session. Your input and support makes their jobs easier and more fun.
3. Membership votes where required will be conducted by mail. Active members will receive via USPS , secure ballot/s, instructions, and a return envelope. You will receive email notification when material are mailed. With current conditions this should be beneficial to all. Instructions and due date will be included.
4. The Board voted to offer a discount for memberships paid by Dec. 10. That is \$20.00 in hand by 12/10/21. Please get this done early to help Sharon and to keep your membership active. Unpaid dues will move your membership to inactive list. Your check may be mailed to Sharron Haddox , 420 Cheyenne Dr., Simpsonville, SC 29680.
5. The revised by laws will not offer any new lifetime memberships. The revised by laws will keep family memberships, but **CLEARLY STIPULATE A FAMILY MEMBERSHIP IS ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE**. Should family members wish to vote individually they may apply for regular membership at \$25/yr.
6. Life members who did not provide Sharon a positive response by filling out NEW membership form last year (2020), need to do so to be maintained as an active member. Members who's dues are not current will be moved to the inactive member list.

THANK-YOU TTI—Thanks to TTI (aka Ryobi) we were able to award a very nice 4 piece package of battery operated hand tools including battery and charger. By random drawing among the Show and Sell PWCC member participants, Stewart Bauknight was the lucky winner. Gay is primarily responsible for our relationship with TTI. TTI has been very generous with their support of our organization over the years. Who knows Santa may come soon..... I believe. We also had a team from TTI visiting Show and Sell.

Thanks to Betty Card we have a nice group of Show and Sale photos to post on Facebook. Great job showing our members and their work.

MEDIA MANAGER—In case you haven't heard John Kawalchuk is our media manager and as such he manages our "public face" so that we maintain a professional and consistent message highlighting our activities and opportunities. If you have material, photos etc. of PWCC activities, please get them to John.

John also maintains the Club Calendar and club educational opportunities. The Calendar is a great asset.