

PIEDMONT WOODCARVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Message from President Sharon Haddox:

As the end of year 2023 is getting closer I want to take this time to thank the board members for all of their hard work. We started the year with a plan and have worked hard to accomplish those goals. Please take a minute and thank your board when you have an opportunity.

But that being said the board couldn't have accomplished so much without the support of its members. Our members have given their time as well to support functions throughout the year. Many members have attended festivals and show & tells to help promote the club, taught classes to other members as well as showing their support to new members. And we can't forget to mention Family Day. Members worked together to help make it a fun day for all who attended. Thank you all.

My personal goal for the year was to make carving a fun and rewarding experience for all. I hope in some way I accomplished this for you. Working together is what makes a successful club and hope that we can continue to work together in 2024 to promote woodcarving in our community.

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Education Director Dick Card

January 2024 Seminar

The PWCC is happy to sponsor a seminar with Rod Gatlin doing small **caricature faces** in the round for a 1 day class in January.

Small Caricature Faces

Saturday, January 13, 2024

Time: 9 to 4 +

Cost \$50.00 includes wood

Mauldin Cultural Center 101 E. Butler Road Mauldin, S. C.

Ron hopes to teach from 1 to 4 faces in the class

Early Registration is a convenience and courtesy to all and allows for proper instructor prep time and planning. Lack of timely responses may result in class cancellation which in not advantageous to anyone. PLEASE REGISTER BY MAIL by sending your registration form to Dick Card's address (it's on the registration form) with the check for \$50.00 to PWCC (or Piedmont Woodcarvers Club) as per information on the form. Registration forms must be received by Dick Card by December 27th, 2023. We need minimum count by then. Registration forms are on our website and included in this issue of our newsletter. Our website is: <u>www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com</u>. On the web, forms are listed under Education.

Best Regards, Richard (Dick) Card.

Education Director Dick Card

TOM GOW IN-HOUSE CLASS MEMBERS ONLY

SMALL BARK HOUSE ORNA-MENT

Date: Saturday December 9th, 2023

Time: 9 to 5

Material Cost: \$5.00

Class Limit 8

<u>Contact Dick Card via phone</u> or email to be enrolled in the <u>class.</u>

Phone: 864-587-7438. Leave

message if no answer.

Email:

dickcard2020@gmail.com

DAVE SIKKELEE

IN-HOUSE CLASS

MEMBERS ONLY

Dates: Saturday, March 9th 2024 with follow up class if needed the following Wednesday from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Since the following <u>Wednesday class idea</u> is new, I

repeat.

Caricature Leprechaun class

Follow up on Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Begins: Saturday, March 9th 2024

Time: 9 to 4:

Cost of Materials: \$10.00

<u>Contact Dick Card via phone or</u> <u>email to be enrolled in the class.</u>

Phone: 864-587-7438. Leave message if no answer.

Email:

Education Director Dick Card

The Difference between Seminars & In-house Classes

OUR SEMINARS are taught by Pros either from our club or other clubs in the U.S. or Canada. They charge according to their own policy. Carvers who attend to do not have to be PWCC members. FORMS AND CHECKS MUST BE MAILED BY CERTAIN DATES ADVERTISED.

<u>BUT</u>

<u>MEMBERS ONLY IN-HOUSE</u> <u>CLASSES</u> are taught by our member carvers. Some of these men and women are also pros, BUT

<u>These classes are free to MEM-</u> <u>BERS ONLY with minimal charge</u> <u>for wood and material but they</u> <u>must register with Dick Card.</u>

TO ATTEND IN-HOUSE CLAS-SES.

MEMBER DUES FOR THE YEAR MUST BE PAID

It's that time of year again. 2024 Dues are now being collected Send your check for <u>\$25.00 made payable to</u> **Piedmont Woodcarvers** <u>**Club**</u> or give the check to John Kawalchuk at a Wednesday Carve-In. The mailing address is: PWCC P.O. Box 527 Mauldin, S. C. 29662

PWCC SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Piedmont Wood Carvers Club-



Workshop Registration Form

Class seats are filled in the order that the registration form and full payment are received. Reservation confirmation will be sent via email from (dickcard2020@gmail.com). If the workshop is full, the club will notify you about alternate status and/or your payment will be returned to the address below. Minimum age is 18. If you do not attend, any material distributed by the instructor will be collected and held for you. The workshop cost is non-refundable. Photos of the students and/or their work are the sole property of PWCC.

Your registration obligates the student for full workshop cost. In the event you are unable to honor your reservation, you may assign your reservation to another person subject to completed workshop registration form and approval of Education Chairman.

- 1. Print and complete this form.
- 2. Enclose your check or money order payable to PWCC for the total amount of the workshop fee.
- 3. Mail the registration form and check to: Richard Card 571 Andre Lane Spartanburg, S. C. 29301-1634.

Workshop Description

Instructor	2
Workshop Title/type	
Date(s)/ Time(s)	
Cost	
Location	Mauldin Cultural Center (Artisan Room) 101 East Butler Road, Mauldin, SC 29662

Please print legibly especially on the waiver form. We may need to make contact at some point in time.

_____PWCC Member Yes____ NO ____

Address ____

Email

____Phone____

Waiver of Liability

I agree that the Piedmont Wood Carvers Club (PWCC), its instructors, or any sponsor is not responsible for damage to, theft, or loss of my property. I further agree and promise to hold harmless the PWCC, it's instructors, the PWCC board members and any sponsor from any and all liability resulting from, or in any way connected with, my participation in the above described workshop. I agree and promise to conduct myself in a manner that is safe for other students, participants, instructors and myself.

Student Signature	
Emergency Contact-Name	
Emergency Contact-Phone	
Date	

Tuition Information for above described workshop: to be filled by Dick Card when received				
Tuition and Registration received: (date)				
Check #:				
Dollar Amount:				

Revised 2023

In-House Class with Mark Blanchard







Bruce Jones & Mark Blanchard





On the left, Eugene gets silly demonstrating carving with his POCKET KNIFE. .

On the right, Mark starts demonstrating painting techniques to Bruce and Eugene.



Tom Gow's Challenge

I warned you all that you had to start sending pictures to Tom's challenge before you unleased my inner child. So here are a few of my caricature carvings. I did these years ago without a teacher; got some hints from Lila on Wednesday Carve-ins. The Kitten in the mitten and the dog in the shoe were rough outs I bought in Charlotte during one of their shows but never had a chance to take a class from Leah Goddard.



PWCC class **with Carol Levy** when she was in town for our last show. Betty Card

Odds and Ends plus Calendar

Is anyone interested in selling some of your extra basic tools in good condition?

We have a few new members who are looking for tools for carving and might be interested.

If the answer is yes, you can send Betty Card pictures and prices to be included in the next newsletter.

bettycard15@gmail.com

Here is the first <u>Carver's Poll</u> as requested by a member.

How many of you PWCC members have an unfinished carving waiting for you to finish it?

Have an answer? Attach pictures or just tell us about them. Email bet-tycard15@gmail.com.

Calendar of Events

Unless noted otherwise, our Wednesday club carve-ins will be held at the Mauldin Cultural Center on 101 East Butler Road Mauldin, S. C. If not in the artisan room, we can generally be found in the large meeting room at front of building. **The room is generally open earlier than noted**.

NOTE THE SCHEDULE CHANG-ES DUE TO NOVEMBER AND DE-CEMBER HOLIDAYS

NOVEMBER 15TH: <u>PWCC MONTH-</u> <u>LY CLUB MEETING</u> STARTS AT 2:00 P.M.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

November 29th Regular Carving

December 6th: Regular carving

DECEMBER 13TH: Regular carving starts around noon and PWCC board meeting at 2:00 p..m.

December 20th: CLUB MEETING AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. EVERYONE PLEASE BRING SNACKS TO SHARE.

TIME: 2 p.m.til 7:30 P.M.

<u>MERRY CHRISTMAS!</u>

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



President Sharon Haddox



Treasurer/ Membership John <u>Kawalchuck</u>



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Education Dick Card



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NEW MEMBERS

NEW PWCC MEMBER: TA BARRS

LORET-



Loretta attended our first Meet and Greet which was held in Simpsonville.in April. She became very interested but didn't follow through for several months due to other activities. She attended a Wednesday night carving and started working with Dick Card on a small Santa ornament and then a small horse relief. She joined the club and entered Greg Barnes In-House cottonwood bark pumpkin-house class. For someone who has carved for less than a month, she did good. She has a lot of ideas of what she wants to carve eventually; hopefully she will be able to accomplish some of them in the months to come.

NEW PWCC MEMBER: STEVEN COOPER



Steven attended one of our Meet and Greet activities at the Woodcraft Store toward the end of September. He is going to attend a class at John C. Campbell Folk School learning to do a very involved woodcarving item this spring so he wanted to get a little carving knowledge before he went for the week long class.

Steve still volunteers as a nurse at Bon Secours Hospital in Greenville but after his retirement his wife decided he needs a hobby. Does that sound familiar to any PWCC member? With his pleasing personality, he is bound to be successful in whatever retirement activity he pursues. Our hope is wood carving with PWCC will be one of them.

NEW MEMBERS plus

MIKE FREEMAN



Mike has been a member of a wood carving club in Sun City Center, Florida for several years but admits he got so involved with the running of the club (he was President for years) that his carving was neglected. He is interested in learning more and possibly finishing a few of his projects.

He and his wife have 2 children and several grandchildren. His son, daughter-inlaw and grandchildren live in S. C. which is one of the reasons for them choosing S. C. Luckily, their daughter was ready for a move so she decided to try S. C. as well.

PWCC is looking forward to Mike becoming active with us and especially want to help him meet the goal of finishing some of his carvings. Piedmont Woodcarvers has an abundance of fantastic carvers just waiting to help another carver.
You just have to let it be known when and if you want help.
You may have to sift through all the advice you get from various members though. Ask and you shall receive. And sometimes just observing someone helping another can teach you a lot.

Don't be shy.

DUES ARE DUE FOR 2024.

Find more information on page 4.

SPECIAL: Pay now and you will be covered through the year of 2024 until end of December.

Our dues run from January 1 of a calendar year to last day of December of that calendar year.

From my great grand daughter comes this riddle:

Why do cows have bells?

Answer: Cause their horns don't work.

PWCC Family Fun Day















Some of the PWCC members and wives who attended the Family Fun Day Party

PWCC Family Fun Day



Games: Pass the bag involved some fantastic carvings, Trivia where we learned that Greg Barnes is a descendant of Wyatt Earp and other facts about some of <u>our</u> members. Bingo seemed to be a favorite and of course the good food that everyone brought to the table. Fantastic party; thanks Sharon for all your hard work.









PWCC Family Fun Day



Winner of Open People's Choice was the sea shell done by Stewart Bauknight.

Winner of Intermediate People's Choice Award was Sharon Haddox relief carving of a basket of flowers.



