



# PIEDMONT WOODCARVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

## Message from our President

We are quickly approaching our 2024 show. Please help by carving your Christmas ornaments for the tree for the raffle. We need between 40 - 50 ornaments for a good presentation.

Beginning at the end of September we will begin collecting items for the raffle. Keep in mind that if you have a business or restaurant that you frequent please ask if they would be willing to donate an item or gift certificate for the raffle. When turning in raffle items be sure to note who donated the item so they can be acknowledged.

As we approach the show date, I will be sending emails with date reminders so please watch your emails.

Cut-off date for the table rental is November 1, 2024 but the earlier you submit your registration the easier it will be for Tom and Skip to set up the floor plan. So, if you plan on setting up a table at the show let's try to submit that form as soon as possible.

As always please let us know if you have any ideas or questions. Thank you all for your continued support.

Sharon

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# Member Carvings

Please send your carvings to [bettycard15@gmail.com](mailto:bettycard15@gmail.com) or just give them to me at the club on Wednesday Carve-Ins..



I received permission some time ago to publish these pictures of some very unusual carvings from Tom Gow's collection. It's just amazing how that bark talks to him, isn't it?

# Member Carvings

When I saw this carving that Gene had just finished at the carving club I just had to have him send me a photo for this page.

## CHIP CARVING FROM GENE RIVARD



# PUBLICITY & PLANNING COMMITTEE

MEET AND GREET IN SEPTEMBER.

LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER YEAR SPENT  
AT THE

DUPONT FOREST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

TIME: 10AM—3 PM

GUION FARM ACCESS AREA DUPONT FOREST

3045 Sky Alley Road Hendersonville, NC 28739

Contact Mary or Stewart if you can help at the PWCC  
tent.

Look for information on events at FRIENDS OF DUPONT FOREST tent. Just like many of the activities from last year, there will be guided hiking and bike rides as well as orientating and other educational activities. Added to these events there will be Music and a Food Truck with delicious food available. And you will find vendors and many children's activities throughout the day but everyone must leave by 3:00 p.m. because the road will be closed and your car will be locked in for the night if it is still there.

# PUBLICITY & PLANNING COMMITTEE

June 15th at Hagood Mill Historic Site. Thanks go to Eugene Blake, Skip and Joanne Rentz, Libby Bashor, R. Stewart Bauknight and his daughter, Stewart M. Bauknight, “D” Barabas, Lila Gilmer, Deb Jennings and Heyward Davis for their help. PWCC had a wonderful turnout of carvers.

**BUT IT WAS HOT.**

Note from Betty: If I remember hearing the news correctly, this day was one of the hottest in the history of the area and may have broken a record. So another round of applause goes to these members who endured the heat for PWCC.



# PUBLICITY & PLANNING COMMITTEE



PWCC members at the Hagood Mill Meet n' Greet



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# HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR PWCC MEMBERS

The PWCC board is always working behind the scenes to keep your club running as smoothly as possible. Little things that are required are taking care of at each meeting and committees are constantly being challenged by Sharon.

At this point in time, much energy is being given to the upcoming show in November. Are you all doing your part?

1. carving an ornament or 2 for the Christmas tree that will be raffled off at the show.
2. Are you looking for items to donate for the raffle? Do you have a new or used item that you can donate? Do you have some extra tools that some young person might want? Jewelry? List is endless.
3. Are you checking through your carvings for eligible entries for the competition? You don't have to be the best carver around to put some of your items on display on the tables hoping for a ribbon or special winner? You might be surprised. Enter to help the show and maybe surprise yourself with a special WIN.
4. Are you going to join with someone else in the club and split the cost of a table for getting a table for yourself? You can display your items, sell your items or just sit and carve and talk to people who stop by. **YOU WILL BE HELPING THE SHOW AND HAVING FUN DOING IT.**

# What's Happening on Wednesday



A few of our PWCC carvers working on their carvings at a meeting in June 2024.



# OUT AND ABOUT WITH WOOD CARVING

TRIBUTE TO A WOOD CARVER AND HIS WIFE WHO WANTED TO PASS ON HIS LOVE OF CARVING TO OTHERS EVEN IF THEY WERE STRANGERS.

Debra Hockett was looking for wood carvers when she saw PWCC online. This led to her call to Betty Card. She wanted to honor her husband's memory by donating what was left of his carving tools to someone who would appreciate them.

Debra came to our home and we spent the afternoon getting to know one another. Before she drove off, she left tools with Dick to be used by those who loved to carve as did Michael. It has taken me awhile to put this story into words.

After his retirement, Michael decided to travel, they got rid of everything they could, stored what they didn't and left Virginia. They eventually bought a cabin & land on a small Hawaiian island. When Mike died in August 2023, he left behind his wife of 30 years who was devastated. Even though she had given his wonderful woodcarvings and turnings to his Doctors and others who supported them through his last years, she still had some tools that needed a good home.

Dick cleaned up the tools (storage for many years had taken a toll on them), gave some to carvers and has made Michael's carving tools available to all PWCC members to borrow when they want to try out a tool they don't have before buying one like it, or just need something different for that evening's carvings. Thank you Debra and Michael Hockett.

In the top drawer at the club house you will find a plastic box of tools. Any member can use them but please remember they are for the use of all members. Return when you are finished.

Mike



Debra & Mike



# PWCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please refer to past newsletters that can be found on [www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com](http://www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com) for the hourly times for Carve-Ins.

Wednesday will be at Mauldin Cultural Center, Mauldin, S. C.

Tuesday will be at Wood Craft Store on 1327 Miller Rd. K Greenville, S. C. 29607

Tuesday, August 20th: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 5-7

Wednesday August 21st: PWCC Carve-In normal times .

Tuesday August 27th: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 5-7

Wednesday August 28th: PWCC Carve-In normal times with **PWCC Member Meeting at 2 pm**

Tuesday September 3: Woodcraft Store Carve In 5-7

Wednesday September 4th: PWCC Carve In normal times

Tuesday September 10th : Woodcraft Store Carve In 5-7

Wednesday September 11th : PWCC Carve in normal times with PWCC board meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday September 17th : Woodcraft Store Carve In 5-7

Wednesday September 18th: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Tuesday September 24th: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 5-7

Wednesday September 25th: PWCC Carve-In normal times **PWCC Member Meeting at 2 pm**

Saturday September 28th: **Dupont Forest Festival** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.