# PIEDMONT WOODCARVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER



#### **MESSAGE FROM SHARON**

As our show and competition gets closer I want to make sure everyone is aware of several items.

- 1) September club meeting has been moved to October 1st. We will be going over show information.
- 2) please bring completed ornaments for tree and raffle items to October meeting.
- 3) if you want a table at the show cut off is October 15th. Rectangle tables are limited, first come first serve. We also have 5 foot round tables available.

As always we welcome any comments and suggestions.

Thank you Sharon

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### **Education**

FROM THE DESK OF DICK CARD, EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

SINCE PWCC HAS MANY NEW FACES, I THINK THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO ONCE AGAIN MENTION THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN <u>PWCC SEMINARS AND PWCC IN HOUSE</u> CLASSES.

FWICE SEMINARS ARE TAUGHT BY PROS EITHER FROM OUR CLUB OR OTHER CLUBS IN THE U.S. OR CANADA. THE PERSON TEACHING THE CLASS CHARGES ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN POLICY. PWCC COLLECTS THE MONEY FOR THEIR FEES AND HANDS THE MONEY TO THEM AFTER CLASS IS OVER. CARVERS WHO ATTEND THE SEMINARS DO NOT HAVE TO BE PWCC MEMBERS BUT THEY MUST ABIDE BY THE RULES ON THE REGISTRATION FORMS.

FORMS AND CHECKS MUST REACH MY HANDS OR MY MAILSOX BY CERTAIN DATES.
THIS IS SO I CAN CONTACT THE EDUCATOR AND LET HIM (HER). KNOW IN TIME FOR
THEM TO CHANGE THEIR SCHEDULE. OCCASIONALLY, THE EDUCATOR WILL ACCEPT
THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WE HAVE ALREADY ENROLLED IF IT IS CLOSE TO THEIR
MIMIMUM. THIS IS UNUSUAL THOUGH.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE ON THE PWCC WEBSITE OR CAN BE GOTTEN FROM A BOARD MEMBER AT OUR WEDNESDAY CARVE-INS WHEN SOMEONE IS AVAILABLE.

AS FOR THE <u>IN-HOUSE CLASSES. THESE ARE FOR MEMBERS ONLY AND MEMBER</u>

YEARLY DUES MUST BE PAID FOR THEM TO SIGN UP TO ATTEND. THERE IS A

MUMINAL CHARGE FOR WOOD AND MATERIAL. THESE CLASSES ARE TAUGHT BY

OUR MEMBER CARVERS AND SOME OF THEM ARE ALSO PROS.

TO TAKE AN IN-HOUSE CLASS, THERE ARE NO FORMS INVOLVED. YOU MUST CONTACT DICK CARD VIA EMAIL <u>DICKCARD2020@GMAIL.COM</u> OR HOME PHONE WHERE YOU CAN LEAVE A MESSAGE WITH NAME AND CLASS YOU WANT TO TAKE. \$64-587-7438 OR TELL ME AT A CARVE-IN. MAKE SURE I TAKE THE TIME (WHEN TOO BUSY) TO WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE LIST FOR THE CLASS.

IF YOU CAN NOT MAKE THE CLASS, PLEASE BE COURTEOUS ENOUGH TO LET ME KNOW SO I CAN OFFER IT TO THE NEXT PERSON IN LINE IF THE CLASS IS OVER MAXIMUM.

THANK YOU ALL. DICK CARD

# Odds and Ends

#### **Older News/Information:**

Mountain Tradition Woodcarvers will have a Carv-In Show and Sale September 20th/21<sup>st</sup> in Big Stone Gap VA. A Flyer was posted in last months newsletter.

A Seminar/Class titled Quilting on Wood will take place October 30<sup>th</sup> prior to our Show. See information in Education Section and a sample photo in Photo section.

#### **New Information**

The Calendar/Events section list a number of upcoming Show/Tell opportunities for Club Members to participate. They are:

- -Oct 18-10:00a-3-00p- DuPont Forest Festival.
- -Oct 18-10:00a-2:00p-Greer library.
- -Nov 15-10:00a-2:00p-new Blue Ridge library.

Please reach out to Stuart or Libby if you can help out.

Lila led a class/demonstration of 13 Adults in the art of Soap Carving at the Five Forks Library this past Saturday, September 13. The Project was a Polar Bear. There are no pictures from the class but there is a photo of the go by that Lila used in the Photo Section. Students brought their own bar of soap and Lila provided the "knives" that she fabricated from wooden tongue depressors. Lila reports all students took home a near finished bear and the Library is interested in the Club hosting more carving events in the future.

Note the photo announcement of Marc Blanchard's Pumpkin Class in the Photo Section. The Class was not listed in the Education section. At the time of completing this Newsletter edition the Class is full or near full. If you are interested in taking the class contact Dick now at 864-587-7438 to determine if there are actually any spots available.

As Sharon mentioned in her message to the Club the October Member Meeting will detail updates regarding the Show. One item that can be updated now is a food vendor has been arranged. Williams BBQ will have their food truck parked outside the venue and Mark your calendars to attend the next Member meeting on Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup>. Note this is a date change

# Photo Section



Upcoming Class for Marc Blanchard



Jim Hartwig Bark House Painted





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#### Photos from John Kawalchuk's Bark House Class

PWCC WAS PROUD TO SPONSOR A SEMINAR FOR A MEDIUM-SIZED BARK HOUSE WITH JOHN KAWALCHUK TEACHING IN SEPTEMBER 2025.



the Picture above is of members who attended john kawalchuk's 2 % day seminar. Note that all bark houses are different. Each member put their own deas into their Bark house Emphasizing the Staggered seminies and position of rocks.

BACK ROW: BRIAN ROBERTS, STEVE BAILEY AND JOHN KAWALCHUK. FRONT ROW: JIM HARTWIS BETTY CARD AND LIBBY BASHOR.

John Limited his number of students so he could GR'e individualized attention to their needs and ideas.



Betty Card and John K.







Steve Cooper Work In Progress

# Photo Section



Gene Rivard Cross carved in Butternut



Finished with Deft



Go by and stencil Lila used in her Soap Carving Class at Five Forks Library



Gene Rivard Cardinal Relief Carving

Painted

# PWCC Calendar of Events September Events October Events

Tuesday September 23rd Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm Wednesday October 1st; PWCC Carve-In; Club Member Meeting 2 pm

Wednesday September 24th PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup>: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Tuesday September 30th: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm Wednesday October 8th: PWCC Carve-In normal times; Board Meeting 2 PM

October 11th/12th 9 am - 4 pm; Cultural Center. Marc Blanchard Little Light up Pumpkin House Class.

Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday October 15th PWCC Carve-In normal times; Member Meeting 2 pm

Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup>; PWCC Meet/Greet Greer Library 12pm - 4 pm

Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup>; DuPont Forest Festival 10am-3pm; Cedar Mountain, NC

Tuesday October 21st: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup>: PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Tuesday October 28th: Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday October 29th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;