

# PIEDMONT WOODCARVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM BEV

Happy Spring! 25 members attended the back-to- Saturday club meeting in March. All enjoyed refreshments while socializing and carving. Our speaker, Lewis Holloway, spoke of his carving journey from struggling beginner to world class carver. His amazing spirit faces have won many awards. The Greer 150 celebration is March 28. It is by the Greer City Hall, From 4:00 to 9:00. Thanks to those who have signed up to man our table. Don't forget to bring something to carve!

Our April club meeting will be April 11. The theme is Spring Cleaning. Bring any wood or tools you don't want and trade, give away, or sell .

Don't forget the Charlotte Show April 18-19. Remember PWCC will have a table .

Hope to see you there!

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## PWCC Club Events



### 2 pc. **DOGWOOD FLOWER BROOCH**

Date: April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Time: 3:00 -7:30 p.m

Wood provided by Libby—taught by Libby

Pattern from Jerry Korte donations

received from Jerry's Georgia club

sign up sheets at the Carve-In room

### **Angels of Hope**

**Angels need to be turned into Libby before end of March to be included in the distribution to the Vets.**

So far we are doing a good job on the Angels. We still need more carvers to participate in this awesome event for our military vets. We will have finishing supplies available. (Only food safe products can be used). If you are in question please wait to finish or just return Angel to Libby.

A wood burner available to put your name, club, rank, and date.

If you decide to do it at home please use only 1 half of the bottom leaving the other side blank for the placement of a USA flag. See additional note in Odds/Ends. Contact Libby at 864-430-3689 for more information.

### **Greer150: The Big Bash**

**4:00 PM to 9:00 PM**

City of Greer is holding an event celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. PWCC will have a table promoting the Club and conducting carving demonstrations.

Contact Libby at 864-430-3689 if you can still help and participate. Two hour blocks are the requested minimum commitment.

# Education

PWCC SEMINAR

**“Gnome”**

EXPERIENCED PWCC CARVER/TEACHER: GREG BARNES

MAY 2ND 2026

MAULDIN CULTURAL CENTER

Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

COST: \$40.00 INCLUDES CUT OUT

LIMIT 10

HOW TO JOIN THIS SEMINAR: Fill out your REGISTRATION FORM & MAKE YOUR CHECK OUT TO PWCC.

GIVE TO DICK CARD BEFORE CUT OFF DATE OF APRIL 29TH AT CLUB CARVE-IN OR UNTIL THE SEMINAR IS FULL.

SEND TO DICK CARD AS PER INSTRUCTIONS ON REGISTRATION FORM. Where can you get forms: [www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com](http://www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com) or ask a board member to open files for you to obtain one at the carve-ins.



# Odds and Ends

If you have not already done so, please pay your Club Dues for 2026 to Skip. If you cannot submit your dues in person, mail your check to: PWCC P.O.Box 527 Mauldin, SC. 29662

Note City of Greer 150 The Big Bash will be March 28<sup>th</sup>. Greer will be celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniverssary . The Club was asked to have a table promoting Woodcarving. The Club will man the table and members conduct carving demonstrations. A call for Club volunteers has gone out and is being coordinated by Libby. The Club is requesting Members participating for at least a two hour commitment.

Mark your Calendars for our next montly meeting, Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Come join the fun, bring a friend, and a carving for Show and Tell.

If you are participating in the Angel of Hope Project, Libby would like to have all Angels turned into her before end of March, earlier the better. Contact Libby at 864-430-3689 for more specific information.

The Club will have a table at the Charlotte Woodcarving Showcase in April. W e have a signup sheet at the Wednesday Carve In if anyone is attending and would like to volunteer. The Club will use the table to promote PWCC and our own Woodcarving Festival in October. If possible, Volunteers should bring a carving to display.

The March Club Meeting was well attended. Our speaker, Lewis Holloway, gave a great presentation and entertained us of his journey on carving Wood Spirits in Pine Knots. See some of the pictures in the Photo Section. Thanks to Gregs Mom Barbara for making a Pound Cake using Marlene Banes recipe. It was such a hit, the recipe is listed in the Photo Section.

# Show Update

A flyer for the Show is being developed. To date details are:  
2026

36<sup>th</sup> PWCC Annual Woodcarving Festival  
Simpsonville Activity and Senior Center  
310 W. Curtis St.  
Simpsonville, SC 29681

One Day

Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup>, (Set Up Friday afternoon, October 23rd)

7:00 am - 9:00 am, Registration

9:00 am - 12:00 noon, Judging

(Competition Area Closed to the Public during Judging)

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Raffle and Silent Auction

3:30 pm, Show will Close

To date there will be:

Whittling Contest

Seminars

Vendors including food vendor

Show and Sale

The Theme of the Show will be “Monster Mash”, which will tie in to the Seasonal time of year, any carving Halloween related is encouraged. The Show is now listed with Chip Chats and will be included in an upcoming issue of WoodCarving Illustrated.

Registration Chairman

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# Photo Section



Heyward and Dave in attendance at the Renegade Roundup in Tennessee



Mike Freeman trying to learn something from Helen Gibson at the Campbell School



Photo of a Lighthouse near Port Washington Wisconsin where Jim Hartwigs parents lived.



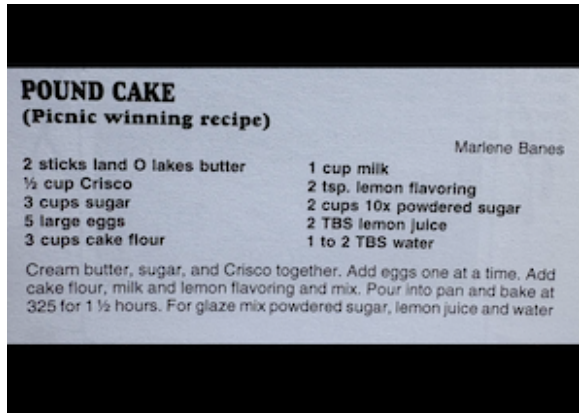
Jim's Finished Lighthouse, Base is Bark, Lighthouse is basswood, painted.

# Photo Section



Betty refeuling at the Member Meeting

Several of the Show/Tell pieces displayed at Member Meeting  
 Tom G. Bark Houses, Gene Rivard Relief Icons scheduled to be sent to a Church in the Philippines



Frank and Lewis discussing Pine Knots



Lewis and John talking Wood Spirits



Some of the works of Lewis Holloway



Carving Fellowship at the March Member Meeting

Libby, Jim, and Skip



Mark, Tom, Greg, Donna, and Jim



Mike and Stewart

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# PWCC Calendar of Events

## March Events

Tuesday March 24th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday March 25th: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Saturday March 28th, Greer Big Bash 4 pm to 9 pm

Tuesday March 31st Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

## April Events

Wednesday April 1st,: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Tuesday April 7th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday April 8th: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>, Member Club Meeting, 2 pm, Open Carve prior to meeting.

Tuesday April 14th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday April 15th: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Tuesday April 21st Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday April 22nd,: PWCC Carve-In normal times; Social Carve of Dogwood Flower Brooch Pin with Libby, 3-7:30 pm

Tuesday April 27th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday April 28th,: PWCC Carve-In normal times