

# PIEDMONT WOODCARVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM BEV

Our April Spring Cleaning club meeting was such a success, we may do it again in the fall. Our May club meeting will be May 9. Guest Speaker is John Moore, who will speak on the history of PWCC.

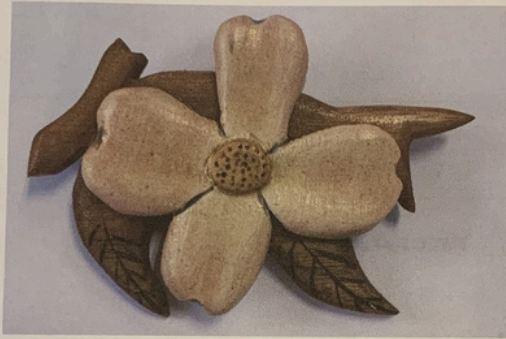
It was fantastic to see so many of you at the Charlotte Show. And congrats to those who won ribbons! I hope everyone is inspired to enter something at our show. Don't forget our upcoming class on May 2. Greg will be teaching a gnome class..

See you on Wednesday.....

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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

Class will finish up on April 29th



Good Turnout and Fun time at Libby's Brooch Class

Good to see long time PWCC member Art Mauldin stop by to check out a weekly carve in.



Great to have Marie Barker join the Brooch Class after a hiatus from carving.

# 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.



## **From the desk of Education Director Dick Card**

PWCC is in the process of setting up several Seminars.

A one day pyrography seminar with Michele Parsons will be held at the Mauldin Cultural Center on Saturday August 29th. This seminar will be held in the big front room. More information to follow.

A 2 day seminar is also being planned with Michele but will be held at her studios. If enough Greenville people are going, they can probably carpool. If anyone wants to drive to the Card's house in Spartanburg, they can carpool with Betty Card. These will be held on a Monday and Tuesday with dates and information to be announced.

A 2 day seminar with Dick Card on relief carving is a possibility if arrangements can be made for a room. More information to follow.

John Kawalchuk is planning to lead a cottonwood bark lighthouse seminar. Details and Date to be determined.

When it comes to In House Classes on Wednesday nights, there are several possibilities in the works. Skip Rentz is willing to do an easy intro to chip carving.

Betty Card is interested in leading a carving class on something small.

Watch your emails for info coming from Dick when last minute arrangements are made.

If any of our members are willing, please contact Dick Card (or Betty Card) and let either of them know. We have many talented carvers who are willing to share their knowledge during Wednesday carve-ins so perhaps they will try their hand at showing a small group Wednesday evening.

Dick is open to suggestions for carvers from other clubs or areas; please give him the information on your favorites and he will see what he can do.

# PWCC Show Update

Newest Updates.

- A flyer for the Show has been developed.
- Entry Forms/Guidelines are now available.
- Table Rental Forms are available for the Fall Show.
- The request is still out for Raffle items.
- The Club will again have a silent auction of a Christmas Tree filled with carved ornaments. There is a big need for carved ornaments. No time like the present to start and keep carving Ornaments for the Tree.

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

Greg Barnes

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# Odds and Ends

Mark your Calendars for our next monthly meeting, Saturday May 9th, 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Guest Speaker will be John Moore talking about the history of Piedmont WoodCarvers. Come join the fun, bring a friend, and a carving for Show and Tell. Weather permitting we will hold the May meeting outside on the covered stage area at the back of the Mauldin Cultural Center.

Still time to sign up for Greg Barnes Gnome Class scheduled for Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Cultural Center. See Flyer on previous page.

The Metrics/breakdown for the Charlotte Show were:

- 29 PWCC members attended the show
- 6 members entered a total of 29 carvings and won 20 ribbons
- Greg Barnes entered 3 and got a first and a second
- Dave Fisher entered 7 and got 2 first, 3 honorable mention
- Libby Bashor entered 6 and got 2 first and 1 second
- Mary Z entered 3 and got a first and a honorable mention
- John Moore enter 4 and got 2 thirds
- Chuck Carmack entered 6 and got 2 first, 1 second, 2 thirds and 1 honorable mention

Big Congratulations to all PWCC members that entered and represented the Club.

Note the possible Education opportunities from Dick Card. The one firm date is the one day Pyrography Class with Michele Parsons in August. Look for a formal announcement and flyer in an upcoming Newsletter.

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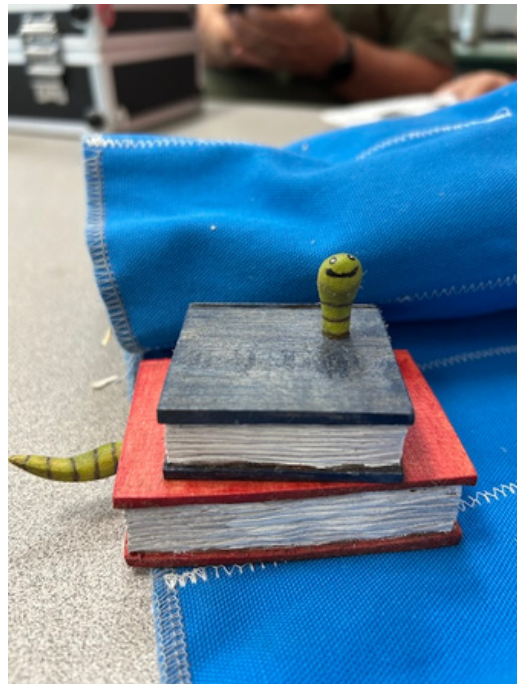
# Photo Section



Jim Hartwig  
Outhouse/Bark



Libby  
Sample of Brooch from Class Event



Steve Bailey  
Bookworm

# Photo Section

Photos from the Charlotte Show



Club Table



John Moore



Dave Fisher



Greg Barnes



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# PWCC Calendar of Events

## April Events

Tuesday April 28th Woodcraft Store Carve-In  
4-6 pm

Wednesday April 29th: PWCC Carve-In  
normal times; Continuing/Finishing Dogwood  
Brooch with Libby

## May Events

Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Gnome Class with Greg, 9-4 pm;  
Cultural Center

Tuesday May 5th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday May 6th: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Saturday May 9th , Member Club Meeting, 2 pm, John  
Moore Guest Speaker. Open Carve prior to meeting.

Tuesday May 12th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday May 13th: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup>; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs  
Center

Tuesday May 19th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday May 20th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;  
Social Carve of Dogwood Flower Brooch Pin with Libby,  
3-7:30 pm

Tuesday May 26th Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday May 27th,: PWCC Carve-In normal times