

PIEDMONT WOODCARVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM BEV

At the July club meeting, 22 members were present. It was "Christmas in July" as members carved ornaments for our Show tree. Much thanks to Greg (Santa and penguin), John Moore (Spirit face on pencil) and Mary Z (Moravian star) , who led the carving. At the August 8 club meeting, Greg will teach an ornament painting class. Much thanks to those who brought items for Show and Tell, and refreshments! Club members enjoyed an afternoon of carving and socializing. And speaking of members, club membership is now at 95!

Libby and Stewart will be teaching a beginners carving class August 20 at Cliffs of Glassy from 1:00-4:00. They need a few others to help. Let them know if you can help.

Don't forget the weekly PWCC carve- ins Thursdays at Holly Springs Center from 4:00-8:00.

See you Wednesday.....

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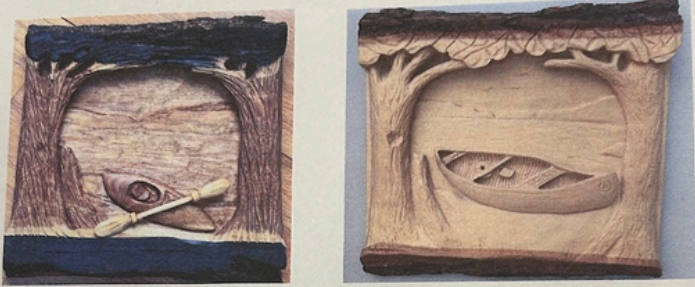
Education

There are still three upcoming Carving/Pyrography Class opportunities.

If interested fill out a form printed out from the club website, www.piedmontmontwoodcarvers.com or pick up a form at one of the weekly carve-ins

Note Greg Barnes will lead a session on how to paint Christmas Ornaments at the August 8th Monthly Member Meeting. The class/session will be free of charge to all Members in good standing.

SEMINAR WITH DICK CARD CANOE OR KAYAK CHOICE.
Friday & Saturday September 25th & 26th
Time: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Kayak pictured is butternut: Canoe pictured is basswood. Wood provided will be basswood with bark

Place: Mauldin Cultural Center
Carving Room
Cost: \$75.00 includes wood
Maximum # of students : 5

Registration forms must be received by Dick Card by September 13th. If PWCC does not have 3 students signed up by September 13th, the seminar will be cancelled. Your money will be refunded or check returned.

Registration forms can be found at
www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com or at the club carve-ins on
Wednesdays. If at the carve-in, be sure to ask for forms.

If there are more than the maximum number, all entries will be marked from date received. If someone backs out or can not make it, others are given a chance to take the seminar by the date their entry was received.

2 Day Pyrography Seminar with Michele Parsons

Dates: Monday and Tuesday: September 28th & 29th, 2026

Cost: \$175.00 will include materials for the project. And, if you need a burner or pens, Michel has 7 loaner kits and pens/tips available on a first request basis at no charge.

Where: Michele's studios at Union Mills Learning Center. 6495 Hudlow Road Union Mills, N. C,

Minimum: 5 students Maximum: 12 students

If enough Greenville people are going, they can probably carpool from Greenville. If anyone wants to drive to the Card's house in Spartanburg, they can carpool with Betty Card.

When PWCC receives a registration form which is mailed or handed to Dick Card (address on the form), you will receive by email, snail mail or hand out of complete tool list needed. **If you will need pens or burners, make notes of your needs on bottom of forms please.**

Note: PWCC policy is that if a class does not meet the minimum number 7 days before the seminar, the class will be cancelled and your money refunded.

Another rule is that if we have an overflow of people wanting the class, you can pay with the understanding that if someone cancels for any inability to make the class, if someone is lined up for the class and has paid, they will take your place. You will then take the class and they can get their money back.

If no one cancels meaning you cannot take the class, your check or cash will be returned to you.

Registration forms can be found online at www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com or at the Wednesday carve-ins.

PYROGRAPHY SEMINAR WITH MICHELE PARSONS

Michele is well known for her artistry in pyrography.

When: Saturday, August 29th, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or later if needed.

MAULDIN COMMUNITY CENTER

BIG FRONT ROOM

Cost : \$110.00

Minimum Number of students: 7

Maximum number: 12

The cost will include the wood for the lesson plus the use of Michele's equipment (and or tools) on a first come, first serve basis. If you want to learn about this craft, Michele is the best teacher you could ask to have.

Sign up for use of burner and/or tools when you fill out your registration form. Number of burners are limited. **To sign up, just make a note at bottom of form. And note whether it is just a burner or tools, or both.**

Registration forms must be received by Dick Card by August 17th. If PWCC does not have 7 students signed up for the class on August 17th. The class will be cancelled and your money refunded or check returned.

Registration forms can be found at www.piedmontwoodcarvers.com or at the club carve-ins on Wednesdays.

PWCC Show Update

We need volunteers for the show Oct 23/24! Sign up at a carve-in or contact Greg Barnes. We will need the following Set Up on Friday, Registration on Friday and Saturday, Scribes, Raffle ticket sales, Raffle Support, Membership table, Concession, Whittling Contest and Runners at the end of the show and also Breakdown.

Show is Saturday Oct 24, set up and early registration Friday Oct 23. Entry forms and table rentals are available online or at the Wednesday carve in at the Mauldin Cultural Center

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36th PWCC Annual Woodcarving Festival

Simpsonville Activity and Senior Center

310 W. Curtis St.

Simpsonville, SC 29681

One Day

Saturday October 24th, (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

Registration Chairman

Greg Barnes

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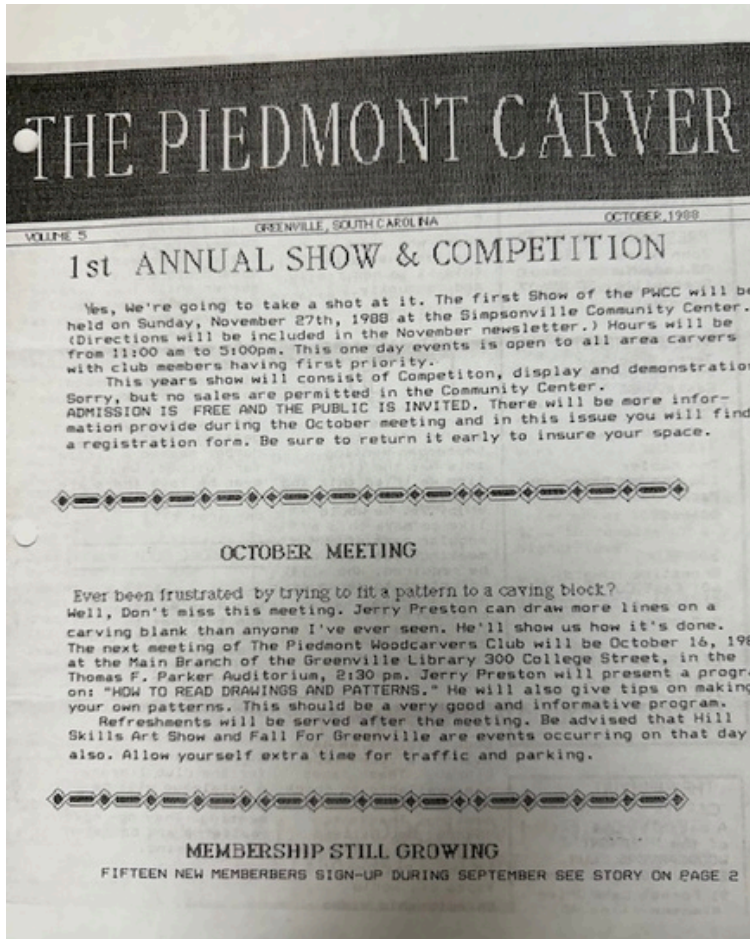
Odds and Ends

Bev has a lot of useful information posted in her message on page 1

A majority of the pictures in the Photo Section are from the Carve In held at the Member Meeting. Thanks again to Greg, Mary Z and John for leading their sessions.

As always if there are any items of interest or pictures of finished pieces for the newsletter please direct them to our club email, piedmontwoodcarvers@gmail.com

Photo Section



May be hard to read. John Moore submitted an excerpt from a Club Newsletter, 1988, 5th edition detailing the "1st" Annual Show



Dave Fisher won ribbons for two pieces at the recent International Woodcarvers Congress in Iowa. Yea Dave!

Photo Section



Jim Hartwig Bark Saloon



Christmas Ornament Collection Stand for Fall Show



Mary Z teaching Moravian Star Carving

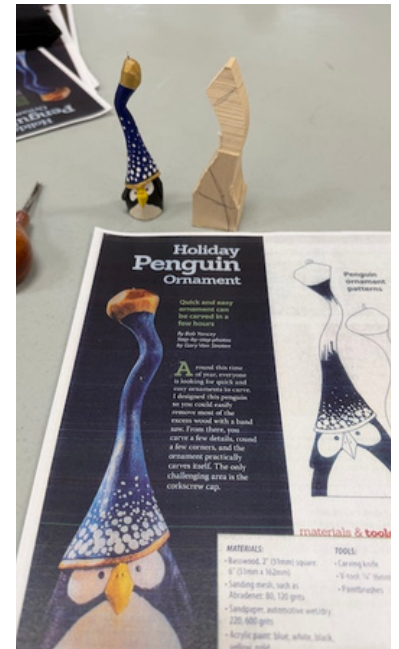


Greg teaching Santa Face Carving

Photo Section



Greg teaching Penguin Carving



John Moore teaching Carving a Woodspirit on a Jumbo Pencil



Completed Pencil with Watco Finish

PWCC Calendar of Events

July Events

Tuesday July 14th; Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday July 15th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Thursday July 16th; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center

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

Wednesday July 22nd: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Thursday July 23rd; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center

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

Wednesday July 29nd: PWCC Carve-In normal times

Thursday July 30th; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center

August Events

Tuesday August 4th; Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday August 5th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Thursday August 6th; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center

Saturday August 8th; PWCC Monthly Member Meeting 2PM Mauldin Cultural Center; Greg Barnes Class on Painting Christmas Ornaments

Tuesday August 11th; Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday August 12th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Thursday August 13th; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center

Tuesday August 18th; Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday August 19th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Thursday August 20th; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center

Tuesday August 25th; Woodcraft Store Carve-In 4-6 pm

Wednesday August 26th: PWCC Carve-In normal times;

Thursday August 27th; PWCC Carve-In 4-8 pm Holly Springs Center