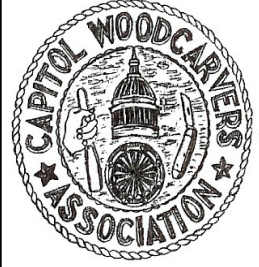


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**Capitol Woodcarver's Annual Club Picnic!**

**Saturday, August 20**

**9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**Woodland Creek Community Park, Shelter A,  
8729 Pacific Ave. SE, Lacey.**

*(Same place as the last 3 years, near the Lacey Senior Center where the  
Tuesday morning carving sessions are held.)*

The club will furnish chicken, drinks, plates, utensils, napkins, etc. and you are asked to bring a supporting dish such as a salad, desert, etc. We need you to bring some carving treasure for the drawing (something carved, something to carve, tools, wood, etc.). Be sure to bring your tools for the open carving before lunch and plan to have FUN, FUN, FUN.

**2011 Officers**

**President:** Denise Taylor  
**Vice President:** Howard Merriott  
**Secretary:** Ginger Anderson  
**Treasurer:** Ann Engle

**Latest News:**

**08/01/2011** Don't forget to visit your Website! [www.capitolcarvers.org](http://www.capitolcarvers.org)

**08/01/2011-** New Article: Featured Artist. (see pg. 2)

**10/01/2011-** Cabelas' and Capitol Woodcarvers team up for a show!

**Carving Sessions**

- Monday 6:30-8:30 PM Capitol Place, 700 Black Lake Blvd, Olympia
- Tuesday 8:30-11:00AM Lacey Community Center, 6757 Pacific Ave, Lacey
- Thursday 9:00-11:00AM Fir Lane Health & Rehab. Center, 2430 N. 13th St., Shelton
- Friday 8:30-11:30AM Olympia Center, 222 Columbia St., Olympia

**Mark your calendars:**

**August 3-7** - Thurston County Fair

**August 10-14** - Grays Harbor Fair

**October 1** - Cabela's Woodcarving Show

**(see pg 4 for more info)**

Well Wishes

We would like to send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Capitol Woodcarvers President **Denise Taylor**, who has had to leave us for a short time due to a medical problem.

We look forward to having her back with our fellow carvers just as soon as she is ready.

Note from the Editor

Hello again everyone,  
There is a lot going on for our carvers this summer, I hope you all are enjoying all of it!

Make sure to take a moment and let Ann know what you think about the new article.

Keep wishing the best for Denise.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Picnic!

till next time,  
Rob

REMINDERS

THURSTON COUNTY FAIR starts August 3 and tickets have been distributed to those who are volunteering. If you have any questions on the times please refer to last month's newsletter available at [www.capitolcarvers.org](http://www.capitolcarvers.org). Thanks to all carvers for showing what a vibrant and great club we have.

GRAYS HARBOR FAIR sign-up sheets are being distributed for August 10 to 14 and we sincerely hope you will participate. It is a great show you will enjoy. We'll need to order tickets so please sign up early.

CABELA'S WOODCARVING SHOW details are finalized and information will be sent to all participants by the middle of August. If you are not participating, be sure to come see what all the area woodcarvers are displaying. You will certainly enjoy the variety and may pick up a good idea or two.

This Issue's Featured Artist: Mileta Johnson

Mileta Johnson, a member of Capitol Woodcarvers Association since June 15, 1999, is being given special recognition for her service to the Capitol Woodcarvers Association.

Mileta was born November 24, 1916 on a wheat ranch in Columbus, Montana during the First World War. She had two older and two younger sisters. After the war, during the depression, the family moved to Walla Walla when Mileta was 5 years old. Her father worked for a power company so they made many moves in her family life throughout Washington and Oregon.

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## Mileta Johnson-continued from last page-

She graduated from high school in Condon, OR with 22 other students and from the University of Oregon Medical School in Portland with a nursing degree.

Her first job was in a county hospital in Portland. She met and married her husband, Carl and had two boys before moving to Bremerton, WA where he worked in the Naval Yard. They added a daughter to their family while living in Indianola. Mileta contacted TB and was sent to a sanitarium for three months. After a three year period with TB she recovered and went to work in an office in Suquamish.

A doctor came to the mill in Port Gamble and opened an office. He transferred out and Mileta became the industrial nurse who ran the medical center.

Then in 1959 she worked as head nurse in a nursing home for 17 years. Her husband passed in 1975 and shortly after she moved to Seattle. She had several nursing jobs and retired when she received her last job offer at age 80.

Between 1980 and 1990 Mileta took a cruise every two years. The two most outstanding were the Amazon River cruise followed closely by her trip to Yugoslavia. She has done extensive traveling and you might be interested in talking to her about it.

Mileta has always liked wood and did some furniture refinishing, chair caning and other projects. She moved to Olympia in the fall of 1999 and saw an ad in the newspaper for the CWCA show. She came down to the Olympia Center and the first person she met when she came in was Jeff Iller. She spoke to him about a project she was working on and needed some advice. He decided he could fix it and took it home.

She found the people interesting and nice, so she decided to join our club. Mileta has been very active by participating in the fairs, shows, local displays, picnic, Christmas party and by going to other clubs representing CWCA. She does relief carving and also carves in the round. She carves regularly with the Monday night group at Capitol Place. Her greatest achievement is the beautiful larkspur relief that she carved for the Lewis and Clark exhibition.

Take a minute to visit with this wonderful, fascinating woman. You'll be a richer for it.

By Ann Engle

## Upcoming shows and events:

- Aug 3-7 - Thurston County Fair**  
Thurston County Fairgrounds, Lacey WA
- Aug 10-14 - Grays Harbor County Fair**  
Grays Harbor Fairgrounds, Elma WA
- Sept 10-11 - 24th Annual Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show**  
Water Resources Education Center, Vancouver WA
- Sept 22-24 - Caricature Carvers of America Annual Club Meeting**  
Holiday Inn & Convention Center, Boise ID
- Sept 24-25 - Lower Columbia Woodcarvers Show and Sale**  
Longview WA
- Oct 1 - Cabela's Woodcarving Show**  
Cabela's, Lacey WA
- Nov 12-13 - Northwest Woodcarvers Association 31st Annual Show and Sale**  
Western Washington Fairgrounds Restaurant Building, Puyallup WA

### Cabela's Woodcarving Show

Tables, adjacent to the walkways, are available on both floors on a first come basis. Bring something to carve so you can demonstrate your talents and get people interested in your type of carving.

This is the perfect opportunity to build a prospect list of people who may wish to buy your carvings. No selling within Cabela's retail store, however, you should bring a sign up sheet for anyone who wishes to purchase after the show. Bring your business cards to hand out to shoppers. Be friendly and talk to people who may be interested in joining one of our clubs.

When arriving at Cabela's, you will come in the employee entrance on the west side of the building. You will sign up and make your Cabela's name tag which will give you a discount in the store for anything you may wish to purchase while there. This lets the Cabela employees know that you are one of them for the day.

Saturday is one of Cabela's busiest days. They draw people from all of western Washington so you may even run into one of your neighbors.

Registration must include \$5 payable to Capitol Woodcarvers Association. Tables, chairs and tablecloths will be furnished. Power is located at approximately 12 foot intervals around the store, so if you need power you may want to bring an extension cord.

The date is Saturday, October 1. We must be set up by 8 a.m. when the store opens so we should arrive by 7:45 a.m. to set up for the show. We will close at 5 p.m. This is going to be a long day, however, take breaks when you want and you may purchase lunch on the upper level. You will be able to walk around and enjoy Cabela's.

Information will be available at [www.Cabelas.com](http://www.Cabelas.com) after July.

For further information call Howard Merriott (360) 357-4738 or Ann Engle (360) 943-1093.

Further information will be given to you a month prior to the show.

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#### **REGISTRATION FORM FOR CABELA'S WOODCARVING SHOW**

**October 1, 2011, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

#### **SPACE LIMITED - REGISTRANTS ON A FIRST COME BASIS**

A \$5 registration fee is required. Make check payable to Capitol Woodcarvers Association and return with this form to:

*Capitol Woodcarvers, PO Box 11988, Olympia, WA 98512*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Tables are 6 foot for 2 people --Share a table with \_\_\_\_\_

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