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Weekly Carving Sessions

Monday 7-9 pm
Capitol Place, Olympia
Tuesday 8:30-11:30 am
Senior Center, Lacey
Wednesday 7-9 pm
Olympics West, Tumwater
Thursday 9-11 am
Fir Lane Care Center, Shelton
Friday 8:30-11:30 am
Olympia Center

Capitol Woodcarvers' Monthly Meeting

April 21st, 2007

RM 204, Olympia Center, 9:00 AM

See You There!

Our deepest sympathy goes to **George Eisentrout** for the loss of his lovely wife Dorothy. May he know that our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family at this time.

Capitol Woodcarvers Annual Show

Attached to this newsletter is a flyer that you could take to your bank, place of business, or put on any bulletin board available to you. If you have more than one place to post our show notice, please make copies and do so. The club certainly will appreciate any help you can give in order to get the word out so more people will attend.

Also attached is the registration form so you can participate in our show. This is our biggest and best opportunity to reach the public. We can show what we do and encourage others to join us in our carving endeavors. We would appreciate you returning your application as soon as possible to give us time to organize the seating, etc.

You will notice that there is still *no charge* for your table if you share with another member of our club, and the rate for a table on your own is \$10. Let us know if you need power, an easel or any other requirements you may have. We do try to accommodate everyone.

Also this year we will not be pre-selling tickets, however, we will be selling tickets at the show where the purchaser may put their ticket stub in a bucket to be drawn out beginning at 4:00 p.m. the day of the show. Since this will be our major income opportunity, we ask that you donate one of your good carvings, a tool, a book, cut-outs with pattern, or any other item which would entice the carvers and visitors to be excited about purchasing tickets for the opportunity to win these special items. We would appreciate your bringing your donations to one of the carving sessions or the club meeting as soon as possible. There will be someone to collect your contribution and know that the club truly appreciates your efforts.

We are fortunate to again have Senior Services of South Sound and Bay view Building Materials of Olympia as our co-sponsors. We will have vendors with books, carvings, blanks, tools, sharpening, cases, etc. available. The Wood turners of Olympia will be in attendance as well as our CWA carvers.

Anyone who would like to help in any area of organization or to work with the show committee members, please contact Paul Kressin at 352-5411 or Bw Jesse at 753-2372.. Let's all get excited about the show and pitch in and help.

President's Letter

We are less than a month away from our annual show on May 10. Preparations are well underway with prize donations and requests for table reservations arriving weekly. Ann Engle and Bw Jesse have been busy promoting our show on TCTV and Panorama City TV.

The drift wood donations from the Bigelow House Historical Association have all been snapped up. Karen Johnson, Curator at Bigelow House has said that she may have more wood available later. I will keep you advised if more wood becomes available.

Members had a great time at the Kitsap County Carver's show in Bremerton. Club members were extremely on winning many of the bucket prize drawings. Congratulations to Howard Merriott on taking a second place in the intermediate division for his pair of Rainbow trout. We also picked up some potential new members at the show which is always a plus.

Please read the biography of our featured carver, Jeff Iller. Ann Engle did an excellent interview with Jeff.

Look forward to seeing you at the monthly meeting, Room 200 at the Olympia Center at 9:00am on April 21, 2007.

Paul

Capitol Woodcarver's Featured Carver

Jeff Iller

Featured carver will be Jeff Iller from Kitsap County Woodcarvers Association in Bremerton. Jeff is well known to many of us as he has given demonstrations at our monthly meeting and has taught classes in Olympia.

Jeff began carving in 1996 and has progressed to an expert carver today. He grew up with wood as his father had a cabinet shop and his grandfather was a master cabinetmaker in Germany. Jeff liked the feel of wood so he went to Sumner Woodworks and bought materials to get started carving.

Jeff uses basswood primarily as it is the easiest to carve. He will carve any type of wood that is appropriate when he takes commission assignments. He is noted for his many different chains and for the women so aptly produced in wood.

Jeff plans each of his carvings using reverse engineering. He starts with the end result and works backwards to make his blank. He then determines the tools he needs to make the carvings.

Teaching is what Jeff likes the best and he does so at the club meetings on Saturdays, Thursday nights in Poulsbo, the last Saturday of each month in Sequim plus when other opportunities arise. Jeff's day job is at the Bremerton Shipyard.

Be sure to stop by, talk to Jeff, and enjoy seeing his fantastic works.

Minutes of March General Meeting

Attendance 10 members Treasurer's report \$1,637.91

Announcements

Dues are due. Remember the dues are now \$12.00/year

Howard Marriott received a second place ribbon for his pair of Rainbow trout.

Bw Jesse and Ann Engle will be promoting our show on TCTV on March 20. Reruns will be shown every Thursday evening at 7 pm and Sunday at 4 pm during the month of April.

The show set-up will be Friday, May 11 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and we will need many hands for table set up and assisting our vendors in their set ups. Show breakdown will begin at 5 p.m. and must be out of the room by 6 p.m.

Committee Reports

Show Chairman:

- a. Banner will be hung over Capitol Blvd for two weeks advertising .the show
- b. Coverage for the May show will be aired on Panorama TV on May 2 at 3:20 p.m. Bw will be seeking members to assist in this show since the program will be one hour long.
- c. Show committee chairs will meet

Carving Class

- a. Howard Marriott said that Lou Smith will be the instructor for our show classes.

Promotions

- a. Ann has confirmed that all carving magazines and clubs have been sent information on our show.
- b. The bio on Jeff Iller has been written.
- c. Ann reminded members to post our show flyers on conspicuous community bulletin boards. Every bit of coverage helps.

Sunshine

Cecil Jesse sent a get-well card to Jake Frink who is recovering from hip surgery at Mother Joseph Convalescent Center.

A card was also sent to Jan Gray recovering from hip & heart surgery.

Bob Engle is recovering from his recent operation where he had a pace maker implanted.

Ann Engle has had her second surgery for a sinus problem. Prognosis has reveled Ann will require additional surgery.

Show and Tell

Lou showed his latest chip carving and the technique that he used to airbrush in all the detail. Lou has donated the item to the show as a bucket prize.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Drawing

Jake Frink donated relief carvings. Howard Marrtott donated some various woods for carving



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Coming Events 2007

April 21-22 Quilceda– Carvers 21st Annual Show & Judged Competition at Evergreen Fair Grounds, Building 600 Monroe, WA Contact Nancy March 360-629-2710 or Charlie Ricketts 360-435-5413, rickettscharlie@aol.com.

May 12 Capitol Woodcarvers 18th Annual Woodcarving Show. See front page.

June 8-9-10, Tri-Cities Woodcarvers Rendezvous. Camping opens on Thurs PM. Carving starts Fri at 9 AM at the Benton County Fairgrounds on East 10th Ave, Kennewick, WA. Potluck on Fri night & BBQ on Sat, both at 5 PM. Contact Ron Lunde 509-582-8694. cascadecarvers@msn.com or Betty Pitzer 509-852-4516 or Steve Mech 509-547-5641 simech@charter.net.

Jun 15-17 Spokane Carvers Annual Rendezvous, Spokane KOA 509-924-4722 for camping Info Contact Gloria Strndquist 509-924-1186