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 the July 16, 2011 **Meeting of the Maine Wood Carvers Association** at the Vienna Community Center on Kimball Pond Road in Vienna, Maine (see page 8 for more details)

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## A MAINE TRADITION

**J**ohn Haley Bellamy worked as a wood carver during the late 19th century. He was born in Kittery, Maine in 1836, the son of a carpenter and boat builder. In his youth Bellamy studied art in Boston and New York City before apprenticing to a Boston ship carver. He worked throughout New England, but spent most of his professional career in Kittery Point, working in a second-floor studio in his father and brother's boat shop.

Although carving was his primary means of supporting himself, he never considered himself to be an "artist," and he is not known to have signed any of his pieces, but his carvings are so distinctive that experts can easily identify them.

The staples of the ship carver's art were billet-head figures; sternboards; figureheads and other ornamental work. Bellamy is known to have carved at least one eagle billet-head figure, but his only known figurehead is also his most ambitious carving: a nearly two-ton eagle figurehead for the U.S.S. Lancaster, carved in 1880, the same year that his occupation in the United States federal census was listed as "carpenter."

Bellamy is probably best remembered for carving numerous patriotic eagle wall plaques, intended as house decorations, as well as larger examples used for architectural ornaments. They follow the same general format: a pair of stylized, spread wings are carved in relief from a single pine board, with the eagle's head and neck carved in three dimensions from a block of wood, then attached to the wings with screws. Bellamy's eagles have distinctively patterned feathers, ingeniously foreshortened heads and necks, and fierce expressions with large curved beaks.

Bellamy died in Portsmouth, New Hampshire in 1914.





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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Norma Wing

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Can you believe it's July already? I'm amazed at how quickly Spring has flown by. It's the time of year when we're all thinking about the lazy, hazy days of summer, but it's also the time when work begins in earnest to get ready for the **25th Annual** Downeast Wood Carving and Wildlife Art Show that will be held on August 27th and 28th this year.

Kathy Webster, Show Chair has set the foundation for this year's show, but each year we depend on MWCA members who give generously of their time and talents. We couldn't do what we do without you. The volunteer experience also provides you with the opportunity to see first hand how the show is put together, from set-up to judging. If you would like to help, contact Kathy at 449--6864 or [kathy\\_webster@myfairpoint.net](mailto:kathy_webster@myfairpoint.net).

Not only is the weather getting warmer, but I understand that the Chapter Competition is heating up! I can't wait to see the innovative displays highlighting the carvings of each of our diverse chapters.

Finally, as the Show is rapidly approaching, it's time to start thinking about what you're going to enter in the competition. Do you have your carvings ready to enter? If not, start looking at all the unfinished projects you have in your workshop, so you can make the push to get as many done in time for the Show as possible. There will be a special prize for everyone who enters in this 25th annual show. Don't miss out!

There are so many fun things left to do. I hope that it gets hot and summery and that you all can enjoy some lazy, hazy days of summer before it's over for another year.

President  
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# MWCA CHAPTER REPORTS

*Chapter meetings are open to all MWCA members (regardless of chapter affiliation) and the public. Attending other chapter meetings is a good way to meet other MWCA members and exchange ideas.*

## Coastal Carvers

*Submitted by Karen Knowles*

Coastal Carvers met briefly Sat. June 25 to work on their table display for the Show. We had lots of good ideas, things are coming together nicely. A few carvers had their work to share; Gordon had finished his black duck, along with some gnomes and bark houses, Richard had a woodburned Canada goose, Kathy is working on a shorebird in pine, Wilma, Carol and Andy shared bark houses, Jim showed two cane heads of a golden eagle and a blue jay he also had a caricature of a baseball coach, and Fran carved a beehive and gnomes. Coastal Carvers will be back carving in September on the fourth Saturday. Hope to see you in August at The Show. Have a peaceful summer.

## McGaffey Mountain Wood Carvers

*Submitted by George Roy*

6/1/11 Meeting at Vienna Union Hall. Nine adults in attendance. Thon showed us flags and purple hearts he carved for the eagle canes. Norma worked on her second fox she is doing. Jared worked on his relief carving. Peg worked on a salamander. Kathy worked on a toad. Angel worked on a skunk. Art worked on his golfer. I worked on a downy woodpecker. Our next meeting will be back at the Vienna Community Center. Meeting adjourned at 8:00

6/15/11 Meeting started at 6:00. Had eight adults in attendance. Hariph brought in his small deer he is working on. It looks real good, so far. Ed brought in a full size duck and baby duck all burnt. He does a beautiful job burning. Norma and Thon worked on making leaves and ferns and painting them. Art worked on his caricatures and showed us a small bird he carved. Kathy brought in an antique bird she is carving out of pine and she worked on making fungus out of foam. Peg brought in two salamanders she is

working on. Jeff Fairbanks stopped to see our club and brought in a fish he carved. He talked to us at the Sportsman Show. Hopefully he is going to join our chapter. Also worked on seeing how our display is going to be set up for the show. Kathy brought in home made chocolate chip cookies. I worked on leaves.

## Poland Spring Carvers

*Submitted by Stanley Tanner, Secretary*

MINUTES of the June Meeting of the Poland Spring Carvers - 18 June 2011

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 pm, by President Norman Devonshire.

The Secretary's report was not available because the person who took them at the last meeting had not brought them in.

The Treasurer's Report shows \$9.94 in the Coffee Fund, and \$103.00 in the Library Fund. This was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS: Small totem poles were distributed at the last meeting. The Library Trustees decided that they would not accept the gift of a large totem pole to be carved by the members. A committee to develop the club's display at the Maine Woodcarver's Show includes: Norm Devonshire, Chuck Perry, Bill Simpson, and Jim Irish. Other news about the MWCA Show was shared.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business was raised.

The meeting adjourned at 2:17pm, for a general carving session. The next business meeting will be held 16 July 2011.

## South Coast Carvers

*Submitted by Paul Durant*

Good day to all,

All is well and moving right along with the South Coastal Carvers. Last night we met with Twelve carvers in attendance. We did not have a planned project for the evening, I dropped the ball. However, I hope we had a successful get together for everyone found a project to work on. The experienced carvers

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spent a great deal of time with the new people. There were some members that we have not seen in awhile join us. It was a pleasant surprise to have them with us again. We have several new carvers and I hope they stay with us. As most of you know Carving looks easy until you make your first chip and then you become unsure and think, do I really want to do this. However, I have found carving to be addictive as I am sure many of you feel the same. We do not have a planned project at this time but by next month we will have. In the meanwhile have a nice summer and happy carving.

**Streaked Mountain Woodcarvers**

*Submitted by Bob Perry, Treasurer*

The monthly meeting was held Sat. June 11th at the East Sumner congregational Church with eleven members present. President Robert Moreau was not present due to work schedule. Vice President Steve Hatch and Secretary Justina Hatch also were not able to be at this meeting. Bob Perry Treasurer conducted the meeting and Kate Chesley agreed to take notes.

Plans for the "Camp and Carve Weekend" were discussed at length and it was stressed that volunteers will be needed to bring everything together. Jim Irish pointed out that Cell Phone service is not great at the Camp and Carve location, and this information should be made available in advance to those planning to attend. Show and Tell as usual produced several fine pieces.



*Streak Mountain Wood Carvers - Show & Tell*

## CORRESPONDENCE

Hey Folks,

I am a member of the Wells/Ogunquit Historical Society and we are having a festival on July 23, 2011 called 'Traditions of Maine'...it's being held at Harbour Park here in Wells and we are looking for a wood carver for the show...they were talking about chain saw log type of carvers but now I see from your web page you have many different talents in your association...do you have a list of folks we could talk to in the area that could participate?

Thanks,  
Gary

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GREEN MOUNTAIN WOODCARVERS  
P. O. Box 1283  
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June 22, 2011

The Green Mountain Woodcarvers would like to extend an invitation to the Maine Woodcarvers Assoc. to come carve with us.

The 2011 Woodcarvers Rendezvous will take place Saturday, August 20, 2011 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Peoples Academy Gym in Morrisville, VT.

We hope you will take advantage of a Club Table, lots of demonstrations, carving supplies and a place to share your ideas and experience.

We hope to see you there.

  
Richard (Wood) Taylor  
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*(see page 5 for more information)*



Green Mountain Wood Carvers
38th Annual Exhibit
2011 Woodcarvers Rendezvous

The Green Mountain Wood Carvers are once again planning their annual program. This will be our 38th year. Some of you have participated in the past and we hope you are planning to join us again this year.

This year's seminar will feature Wayne Smith leading us through the process of carving a realistic Polar Bear. The seminar will fill up fast, so please sign up early so you don't miss this great opportunity.

Friday evening, starting at 6:00pm sharp, we will again gather for a delightful evening at our Annual Banquet, then on Saturday the 2011 GMWC Rendezvous. In response to your suggestion, the times of the show are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We are looking forward to seeing you all again this year.

Polar Bear with Wayne Smith Carving Seminar
August 16 - 18, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Morrisville VT.
# participants X \$195 each = Total \$

Annual Banquet, 6:00 p.m., Friday, August 19, 2011, \$20.00, Hoagies, Morrisville VT.
If there is enough interest, we will have a Carving Swap at the Banquet. Bring in one of your carvings and go home with someone else's. Please indicate if you would like to participate:
banquet/s tickets at \$20 per person
yes, I'd like to participate in the Carving Swap Total \$

Annual Exhibit, August 20, 2011, Peoples Academy, Morrisville VT
Set up times, Friday afternoon, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday morning, 8 - 9 a.m.
SET UP MUST BE COMPLETE BY 9 a.m.
# Carver tables at \$20 each. Total \$
# Commercial Vendor tables at \$25 each. Total \$
1st time Beginner / Novice Shared Table - free

Total Amount Enclosed

If you are planning to sell, we recommend you have a Vermont Sales Tax Number. Contact the Vermont Department of Taxes, 109 State Street, Montpelier VT 05602 for an application.

For more information/ Questions contact:
Matt Strong (802) 253-2957 Richard Taylor (802) 722-4726

Set-up time is Friday afternoon, or before the show opens Saturday. We agree to have our display in place from 9:00am - 4:00 pm. We also agree that none of the sponsors or parties involved in these events shall be held liable in any way for loss or damages to our products or ourselves.

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Please make checks payable to "GMWC" and mail to:
Green Mountain Wood Carvers
Barbara Taylor, Treasurer
863 US Rte 5
Putney, Vermont 05346

# MAINE EAGLE CANE PROJECT

The following canes have been presented:

## VETERAN

**Scott Kendall**, Sumner  
**Merton Jones**, Hartford  
**Shirley Jones**, Buckfield  
**Frank Connors**, Brunswick  
**Ernest Parent**, Jackman  
**Lewis Crossman**, Jackman  
**Willie Morin**, Jackman  
**Rene Morin**, Jackman  
**Walter Morin**, Jackman  
**William Southwick**, Biddeford  
**William F. Leighton**, Smithfield  
**Douglass G. Jenney**, Belgrade

## CARVER(s)

Luke, Bob & Chuck Perry  
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 Andy Rice & Wilma Sarna  
 Kathy Webster  
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 Kathy Webster  
 Thon Palmer  
 Norma Wing



Thursday evening June 16th at the monthly meeting of John D. Long Post #58 A.L. Dept. of Maine, three post members were honored for their war time service. WW II, Marine Veteran Scott Kendall, Korean War Army Veterans, Brothers Merton and Shirley Jones were presented Eagle Head Canes created by Streaked Mountain carving brothers, Luther, Chuck and Bob Perry. Cane shafts were turned by Luther, lettering and medals carved by Chuck and the Eagle Heads carved by Bob.



This is Frank Connors, Brunswick, Maine.

He asked that his Eagle have an open mouth since he was in the 101st Airborne, aka "The Screaming Eagles". This called for a special eagle, so I asked Andy Rice if he would carve the eagle and I would put in the eyes, do the detailing, finish the cane, etc.

When word got out about the cane, Gladys Szabo with the writer's group "Write On" at People Plus decided to honor Frank, too, and build on the Eagle Cane presentation. The "Write On" group wrote stories and poems about Frank; Andy and I presented the cane and, afterward, there was cake and refreshments.

~Wilma

To learn more about the Eagle Cane Project, to make in-kind donations, or if anyone has a completed cane contact:

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[eaglecane@mainewoodcarvers.org](mailto:eaglecane@mainewoodcarvers.org)

# TREASURER'S REPORT

**Financial Report MWCA**  
**June 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011**

*Details of any transaction is available from the Treasurer,  
 Barbara McCutcheon*

**INCOME:**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$8193.68</b>
Memberships	16.00
Advertising	15.00
Downeast Booth Rental	<u>360.00</u>
June Income	571.00

**EXPENSES:**

Albison's Printing, Inc.	189.04
Newsletter - Norma Wing	40.00
Norm Devonshire - Show.	350.00
Service Charge-	<u>5.00</u>
June Expenses	584.04

<b>Checkbook balance</b>	
<b>As June 30, 2011</b>	<b>\$8180.64</b>

## NEW MEMBERS



The following are our new MWCA members:

David F Sheaff, Harpswell  
 J Michael Snyder, Cape Neddick

*A warm Welcome to Maine Wood Carvers Association!*

## SOME MAINE MAMMALS WORD SEARCH

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| ERMINE     | RACCOON   |
| FISHER     | SKUNK     |
| FOX        | WEASEL    |
| HARE       | WOODCHUCK |

## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 9, 2011 (Rain date: July 10, 2011) the **30th Annual Woodcarver's Day** in Olde Mystick Village, Mystic, CT. For information and vendor applications go to <http://ctvalleywc.com/events.php>. For more information contact Warren J. Blessing Jr at [warren@ctvalleywc.com](mailto:warren@ctvalleywc.com).

July 9 & 10, 2011 The **23rd Annual Maine Coast Competition** will be held at the Boathouse on Front Street in Belfast, Maine. Presented by the Penobscot Bay Carvers and Artist, it is open to all carvers and artists. Bring in entries July 8th, noon-6:30 pm. For information phone 338-5309 or 789-5363 or visit online at [www.duck-trap.com/pbcaa.html](http://www.duck-trap.com/pbcaa.html).

July 16, 2011 **Meeting of the Maine Wood Carvers Association** at the Vienna Community Center on Kimball Pond Road in Vienna, Maine. Lunch at 12:00 will be pot luck followed by a short meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m., then we will organize the MWCA trailer for the Downeast Wood Carving and Wildlife Art Show. For more information contact Norma Wing at 207-293-3725 or [normawing@fairpoint.net](mailto:normawing@fairpoint.net).

July 29, 30 and 31, 2011 The **Top of Maine Woodcarving Competition & Show** to be held in the Forestry Building at the Northern Maine Fairgrounds, Presque Isle. Delivery of Entries will be: Friday from 4 p.m.-8 p.m. and again on Saturday from 10 a.m.-12 noon. Entry Fees for all levels will be: \$5.00 for the first entry and \$3.00 for each additional entry up to 3 pieces - after that they are free. Chapter booths are free. For more information about the show, contact Tom or e-mail me at [lwsd@maine.rr.com](mailto:lwsd@maine.rr.com). For information on lodging, go to the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce or the Aroostook County Tourism websites.

August 27 & 28, **2011 Downeast Wood Carving and Wildlife Art Show** to be held at the Augusta Armory on Western Avenue in Augusta, Maine. Show will be open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on Saturday and 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Sunday. Admission is \$4.00 (under 18 years old free). For more information contact Kathy Webster 375-8653 or [kathy\\_webster@myfairpoint.net](mailto:kathy_webster@myfairpoint.net) or visit the Maine Wood Carvers Association website at <http://mainewoodcarvers.org>.

September 9, 10 & 11, 2011 **1st Annual Maine Wood Carvers Association Camp and Carve Weekend** sponsored by Streaked Mountain Wood Carvers to be held at 50 Main Street, East Sumner, Maine 04292 (East Sumner Congregational Church). Camper Trailers, Motor Homes, Tents, what ever your camping equipment. There is a large field for parking campers and setting up tents. A large open air covered pavilion and room for other canopies to be set up is available for carving classes with talented Maine carvers. There are no utility hookups for campers, potable water is available. Friday and Saturday evenings there will be campfires and community sing-alongs. Saturday evening the church will host a Bean Hole Supper. Face Painting, soap carving and games for kids. Adults \$15.00 each, children under 16 free. Bring folding lawn chairs and something to share at the pot luck supper Friday evening. For more information contact Bob Perry 207 388-2472 or [merribob@megalink.net](mailto:merribob@megalink.net) or Justina Hatch 207 320-1622 [justine\\_maine\\_1960@yahoo.com](mailto:justine_maine_1960@yahoo.com) (find attached application). *Note: At the Camp and Carve location, cell phone service is not great.*

October 7-10, 2011 **Columbus Day Woodcarvers Retreat** Three days of woodcarving classes over Columbus Day Weekend in October of each year. W. Alton Jones Campus, URI, 401 Victory Highway, West Greenwich, Rhode Island 02817. Cost is \$215 for the 3 days which includes room, board and instruction but not the class blank fee which you will pay directly to the instructor. Refund Policy: Full refund if we are notified by 26 September. After that date a refund should not be expected, but some portion may be able to be refunded depending on our finding someone to take your place. A registration form can be printed off from <http://www.woodcarvers-retreat.webs.com/>. For more information contact Ray Johnson at 860- 848-8194, [wcvray@hotmail.com](mailto:wcvray@hotmail.com) or write to his attention Mystic Carvers Club, PO Box 71, Mystic, CT 06355 or e-mail Jim O'Dea at [jeodea@aol.com](mailto:jeodea@aol.com).



# CARVER PROFILE - CHUCK FRIIS

Submitted by Carol Durgin

Chuck has been carving since 1979. He started with a piece of firewood. No tools - not much knowledge of wood either. He cut a wafer of wood, and using crude tools, he carved a Viking ship in the butt. Chuck liked his piece but realized he needed to improve his skills. Next he went to Weird in Vermont where he purchased his first carving set. He bought mahogany, butternut, and rosewood.

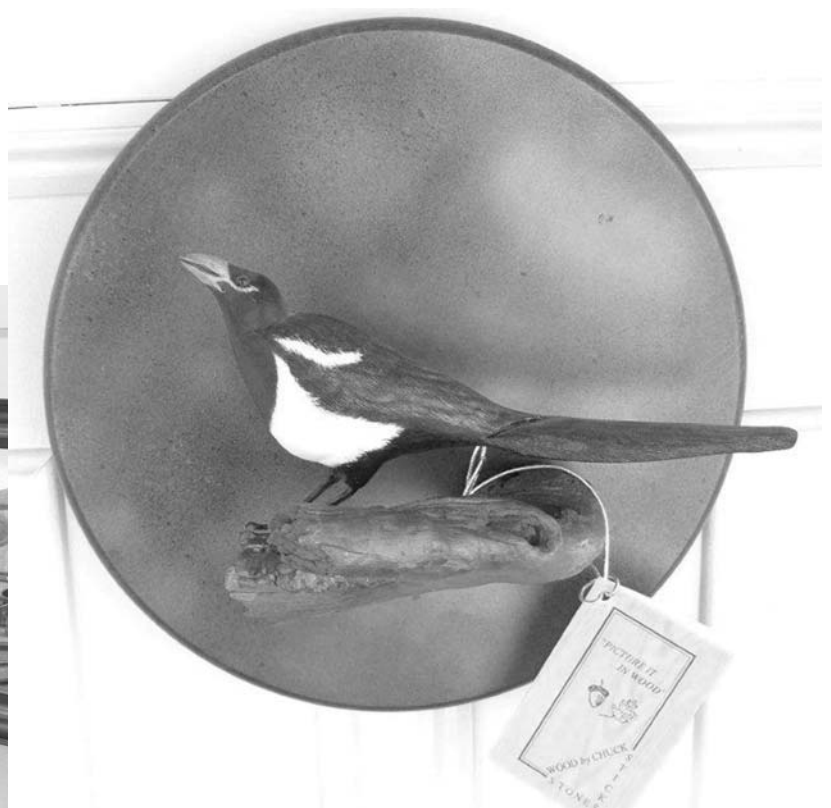
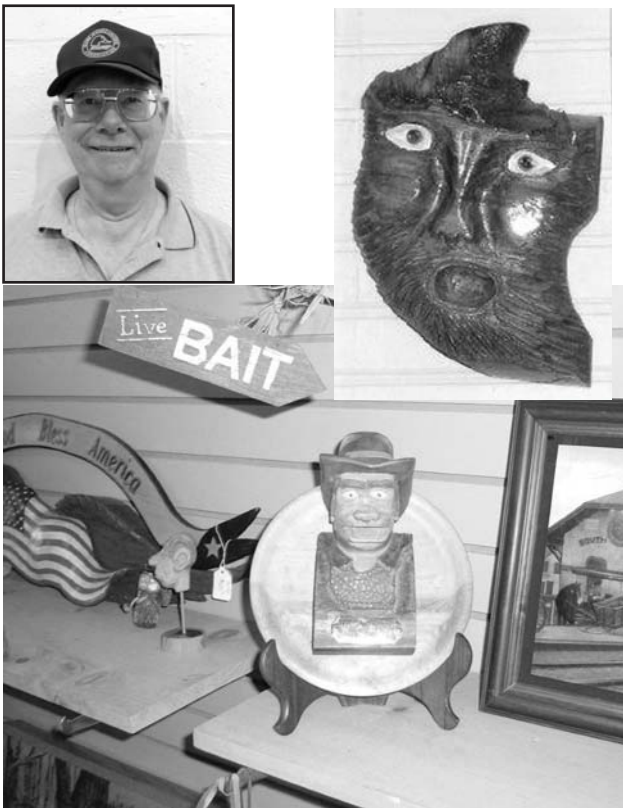
Chuck is largely self taught. He does mostly relief carving. He took his first class with Tom Cote where he met Kathy Webster. She encouraged him to try in the round. He carved a loon which he says is horrible. He didn't give up but decided to ask questions and talk with experienced carvers. One of them was Gordon Harde. Gordon gave suggestions and pointers. This was helpful to Chuck because one piece of advice from Gordon was to finish the piece, put it on a shelf and study it. Each subsequent carving will show improvement. He wanted to promote carving, so he went to the Common Ground Fair with Ed Beach. He found it to be tremendous fun. Next he tried caricatures with Dave Peatfield.

To promote the joy of carving, Chuck went with a group representing MWCA at Cumberland Fair. Chuck was responsible for starting the Poland Spring Chapter. He gave up the Poland Spring presidency when he became president of Maine Wood Carvers Association. He visited several of the Chapters and was impressed with the work he saw.

Currently he is carving a Madonna and Child from a roughout about 30 inches high. The roughout is tulip wood, which is a common wood for carving in Europe. He got the piece from a website. The owner brought it over and gave it to Chuck to finish. The piece is a copy from a marble statue. Due to some physical issues, Chuck finds handling brush and paint difficult. At this point he is undecided whether to use a mahogany stain or find someone to paint his piece. We hope we have an opportunity to see the completed Madonna and Child.

Chuck prefers the traditional carving tools of mallet, chisel and knife. On large pieces he uses power tools. He carves on his own - 'cause a wood carver never stops learning - and doing is the best teacher.

We hope to see Chuck at future shows and meetings. Thank you, Chuck, for serving as our President. Keep carving and we will be looking for you and your work.





## Bird Collection

Maine Wood Carvers Association now has American Robin, Pine Siskin, Philadelphia Warbler and White-winged Crossbill mounts. If members find a bird specimen that we do not have in our collection, wrap JUST THE LEGS/FEET in a wet paper towel, place the specimen in a plastic bag and remove as much air as possible from the bag before freezing. If you have a vacuum sealer, that works even better!. Then let me know you have the specimen, and I'll arrange for a pick-up. Freezer burned specimens cannot be made into mounts.

Kathy Webster  
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**MAINE WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION**

*"If you think you're too small  
 to make a difference, you haven't  
 been in bed with a mosquito"*

*~Anita Roddick*

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*(1/4 pg is approx. 3.5" x 4.75")*
- 1/8 page ad** = \$5 per month - \$60/yr\*\*  
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\*\*A *page ad* approximates a business size card

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## CELTIC TREE ASTROLOGY

### Oak - The Stabilizer



June 10 – July 7

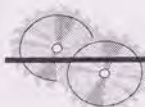
Those born under the Celtic tree astrology sign of the Oak have a special gift of strength. They are protective people and often become a champion for those who do not have a voice. In other words, the Oak is the crusader and the spokesperson for the underdog. Nurturing, generous and helpful, you are a gentle giant among the Celtic zodiac signs. You exude an easy confidence and naturally assume everything will work out to a positive outcome. You have a deep respect for history and ancestry, and many people with this sign become teachers. You love to impart your knowledge of the past to others. Oak signs have a need for structure, and will often go to great lengths to gain the feeling of control in their lives. Healthy Oak signs live long, full, happy lives and enjoy large family settings and are likely to be involved with large social/community networks. Oak signs pair off well with the Ash and Reed, and are known to harmoniously join with Ivy signs too.

**Birch - The Achiever** December 24 – January 20  
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**Alder - The Trailblazer** March 18 – April 14  
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**Oak - The Stabilizer** June 10 – July 7  
**Holly - The Ruler** July 8 – August 4  
**Hazel - The Knower** August 5 – September 1  
**Vine - The Equalizer** September 2 – September 29  
**Ivy - The Survivor** September 30 – October 27  
**Reed - The Inquisitor** October 28 – November 24  
**Elder - The Seeker** November 25 – December 23

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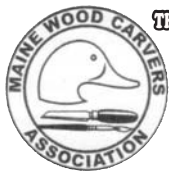
Dry, dry, very dry, 40 yrs. carving wood, bass wood, sugar pine and clear pine. Some very good dimensions. Example: 7" X 15" X 6' bass wood.

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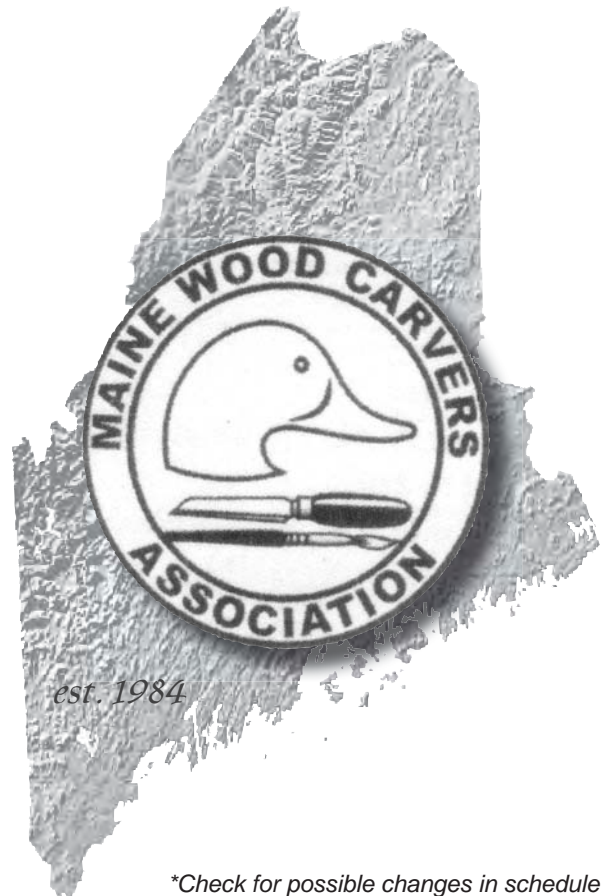
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