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UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS PARTIES!!!!

DEC. 9th

COASTAL CARVERS

11:30 AM at the Wades

FMI call 563-8470

DEC. 9TH

STREAKED MT. WOODCARVERS

12 PM for pot luck and gift exchange.

FMI call 597-2375

DEC. 16TH

POLAND SPRING WOOD CARVERS

12 PM for pot luck and gift exchange



FMI call 655-2563

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COASTAL CARVERS

☺ 4th Saturday, 1:00 PM

68 Walpole Meeting House Rd., S. Bristol, ME.

FMI: Jim Wade, (207) 563-2034

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McGAFFEY MOUNTAIN WOODCARVERS

☺ 1st Wednesdays 6-8:30 PM

Vienna Community Center

Kimball Pond Rd.

FMI: Hariph Smith (207) 377-6002

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POLAND SPRING CARVERS

☺ 1st Friday & 3rd Saturday, 1:00 PM

Ricker Memorial Library, 1211 Main Street,

Poland, ME

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STREAKED MOUNTAIN WOOD CARVERS

☺ 2nd Saturday, 1:00 PM

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TOP OF MAINE CARVERS

☺ Last Thursday of the month—6 PM

8 Summit St., Limestone, ME 04750,

FMI: Tom Cote, (207) 325-4258

artist_nook@hotmail.com

ON THE BORDER CARVERS

☺ Second Tuesday, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

(207) 538-1870, Dee Cote

Dee's Workshop, Littleton, ME

Mimipopop2@gmail.com

☺ CHECK FOR POSSIBLE
CHANGES IN SCHEDULE

the PRESIDENTS RAMBLINGS

Greetings All,

Well, it is the 26th of November and it hasn't snowed yet? Deer season has ended (With a bang) and turkey day has gone. Must be carving season. Good thing I have about 17 ideas for carvings and the normal 11 things in progress (Is it in progress if it hasn't been moved in 2 years?) I guess dusting counts. Anyway.....

Those of you who receive the newsletter via mail may have noticed that it was mailed much later than normal last month. There was a slight problem with our mailing system. Normally the newsletter is emailed to me, I save it on a memory stick and take it to the ups store for printing, than fold, address , stamp, sprinkle liberally with dog hair and then mail. It proved difficult last month as I was without power for 4 days and without internet for a week, but I am hoping that does not happen again.

An email was sent out on the Agenda Item in last months newsletter. Responses were received from the Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Coastal Carvers, McGaffey Mtn., On the Border, Streaked Mtn., Poland Spring Carvers and Director at Large (Via old fashioned means). No response from Top of Maine or Past President. All who responded were in favor of the change from 10 to 5 members, so it shall be 5.

Any group of at least 5 MWCA members who wishes to become a voting chapter of the MWCA should submit a list of the 5 members and the name of the elected Chapter Representative along with meeting locations and times, Chapter name and contact info to me via whatever means you like, and it will be sent to the Board for approval.

In other news, the calendar that is included in the newsletter (By our talented and wonderful newsletter editor) will begin appearing on the website every month, along with a better display of Chapter locations. We have a lot of visits to the website, and I want to ensure that we have viability for ongoing events. If anyone has anything they want included on the website (Events, Profiles, Chapter Info, Carving Photos ETC) please send them to me and I will include them. It is nice to have new items to add or update.

Please take a look at the Agenda section in this newsletter. There is a Second Agenda item for discussion. I am looking for your input.

Bob Grimm
MWCA President

the AGENDA

Agenda Item#2

This is an item for discussion and recommendations from the Officers and Chapters. Currently the bylaws state HOW a Chapter in the MWCA is formed but says nothing beyond that. This has caused some interesting situations. Chapters with no current MWCA members. Chapters who list a Chapter Director who is NOT a MWCA member. (Per the by-laws, members of the Board of Directors must be members in good standing) Should a Chapter be required to maintain a certain number of MWCA members to remain a Chapter? Should a Chapter whose Chapter Director is a non-member be reverted to a non-voting Chapter? And if so, how would we word it? I am looking for input

Treasures Report

From.....

Nov. Report

General Fund

Starting Balance	\$5,368.71
Deposits	
Dues	\$210.00
Donation	\$15.00
Expenses	
TD bank for paper statement	\$2.00
Ending Balance	\$5,591.71

Eagle Cane Fund

Balance.. no change	\$2,775.84
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Contract me if you have any questions or concerns in regard to this report.

Treasurer,
Jim Irish

the SOUTHERN MAINE WOODCARVERS' GUILD.

We held the second meeting of the Southern Maine Wood Carvers' Guild on Saturday, November 11th at Rockler.

Attendance was quite light however we did gain a new member. Bob Hall is a new carver interested in learning. We chatted for a while and talked with some of the of the Rockler staff. Bob took an application and said that he would mail the application in right away. Our next meeting will be Saturday, December, 9th at 2 pm at Rockler.

I hope you all show up with something to carve.

See you there.

Dick Shryock

Submitted by

Dick Shryock

MWCA SOCIAL

I would like to know if the members of the Maine Woodcarvers Association are interested in having a social this year. The two that we have had were held at Reid State Park. Unfortunately, the gatherings were attended by a small percentage of the members.

If you are interested in continuing this function I need to know your preferences...**where, when**, and if there needs to be **some type of scheduled activity**. Talk it over with your chapter members. Let me know what you would like and send any input you have to me by the end of **February**.

I will look at all suggestions and recommendations and try and put something together that will work for everyone. I feel that if we have some social activity between the members of the different chapters it will strengthen our organization.

If there is no interest then I will not pursue organizing a social.

James Irish

From the Editors Desk

Submitted by Bernadette Hodgkins

Wishing you all a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY HEALTH, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

Thank You!!!

My email address is: **prov3567@gmail.com**

MWCA CHAPTER REPORTS

Coastal Carvers

Coastal Carvers 11/18

In Attendance 13

Old Business: Update on those missed- Shyla Spear, Diane Goodwin, Wilma Sarna, and Joan Gotlibson.

New Business: **Dec 9th Christmas**

Party, 11:30am at the Wades. A sign up sheet for refreshments to bring was passed around and a reminder about the Yankee Swap.

Call [207-563-8470](tel:207-563-8470) or e-mail with any questions.

Show -n- Tell: Richard N. shared his mini Carved Canadian Goose: Richard Spear

presented 5-carved puppies done in various woods; Beverly brought her mini wood duck:

Karen shared ideas from Woodcarving magazines as well as her comfort bird and mounted hanging snowman in 3 parts connected by wire; Ralph

carved and painted a dolphin; Marshall carved a Surf Scoter; Kathy shared her Gear Falcon head; Jim had his 3ft. carved eagle from pine; and last but not least Gary made a Cottonwood bark house. Karen also offered for a donation to the club 3 beautiful books. **Thank you.**

Refreshments were next.

Jim had the program. Sleeping miniature stylized ducks were the project.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Wade

Photos submitted by Hariph Smith



POLAND SPRING WOODCARVERS

Well boys and girls a lot has happened since I last wrote a news letter. Bernie wrote last months news as I was in school learning how to write a proper news letter. So here we go.

The secretary's report was recited as remembered. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. There was much discussion about the MWCA show for next year.

There was discussion about changing the number of members from ten to five to form a voting chapter. A vote was taken and it was unanimous for the change.

We voted to donate \$200 to the library.

The Christmas party will be on December 16th. There will be a pot luck lunch starting at noon and a gift exchange afterward. Santa may be present as well.

Until next month,

Norm

P. S. The Poland Carvers wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

STREAKED MT. WOOD CARVERS

Streaked Mt. Wood Carvers

Submitted by Sheri Fowler

November meeting attended by eight and a half (surprise visit by Norm half way through!). A pleasant day despite the cold outside- good heating system in the church. Most of us were engrossed with our woodburning projects: Bob working on two photos of churches, and Art a major undertaking of large photo of niece with her award winning steer. Justine doing delicate work on a wooden mask, and Steve carving on a bark wood house.

Bernadette photographed the many whittled decoration donations for the Shriners Christmas tree, due at this meeting. With her trusty camera and good eye recorded other work for show and tell--always a treat to see what's being done and inspiring.

The "deal" with the Shriners is that we get to use their Hall for seminars at no charge at some point during the year, which we haven't taken advantage of for a few years.

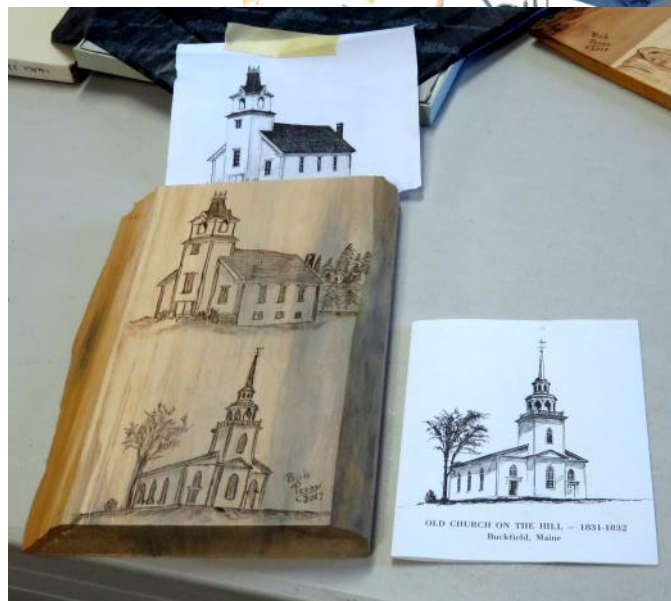
Any ideas out there? We all need to put our thinking caps on:

Bob suggests a CLUB PROJECT we all collectively work on, kind of like a carve-around but you take it home to work on for the month. He is suggesting a relief carving of the East Sumner Church.

Be thinking of various CLUB ACTIVITIES for Jan•Feb•Mar and bring them up at the next meeting which is the exciting MYSTERY GIFTING, along with POTLUCK DINNER, so we will be dining therefore MEET AN HOUR EARLIER at noon!

Bob suggests we re-schedule meetings that come into conflict, such as today's VETERAN'S DAY in the future. In keeping, a lot of us had interesting veteran's tales to tell.

As Art Chamberlin says: *"keep going with the grain!"*



Pyrography by Bob Perry



Angel by Justina Hatch



Wood turning by
Steve Hatch



Pumpkin, WIP Santa Candy Cane by Steve Hatch

SHOW AND TELL

Poland Spring Wood Carvers



Woodburning on leather by Ray Pelletier



Caricature carvings by Chuck Friis



Shaker Snowmen with their straw hats and brooms by Chuck Perry



Carved spoon/spatula by Chuck Perry



Cypress knee Santa by
Sally Abrahamson



Cyprus knee Santa, Nativity, and Cyprus knee collection by Sally Abrahamson



Bob with class project (trout)



Norm, Heidi, Ray and Pam



Award winning carving by Bob Grimm

FEZtival of Trees

Each year the MWCA donates ornaments that they have carved/made to the Kora Shrine Temple "FEZtival of Trees" as a token of appreciation for allowing the Association to use the Buckfield Masonic hall for MWCA seminars.

Bob Perry coordinates and collects the ornaments and delivers them to the Kora Shriners Temple in Lewiston.

The funds generated at this festival goes to help the Shriner's Hospital for children.



Tree topper. Scroll saw design by Jim Irish

Santa's by Ray Stillman





Santa's by Art Chamberlin



Ponies by Norm Devonshire



Scroll Saw Ornaments by Jim Irish



Wood burning by Bernadette Hodgkins



Carvings by Bob Perry



Carvings by Bob Perry
Santa golf tee's

December 2017

Sun

Mon

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Wed

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Fri

Sat

					1 Poland Spring Woodcarvers 1 PM 647-1223 Ricker Library Poland, Me.	2
3	4 Senior Spectrum Carvers 12:30-3 PM—622-0276 Hallowell, Me The Gang 1 PM—(207) 655-5242 Raymond, Me.	5 Kennebec Karvers 9-11 AM—445-2688 Augusta	6 McGaffey Mt. Woodcarvers 6-8:30 PM 377-6002 Vienna, Me	7	8	9  Streaked Mt. Wood Carvers 12 PM 50 Main St., Sumner, Me. FMI call: 207-597-2375 207-357-1057 207-388-2472 Coastal Carvers 11:30 @ the WADES FMI...563-8470
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						Information about meeting time and location is subject to change. Please call prior to attending to confirm.

Membership Benefits!

- ★ A voice in running the organization through your vote, attending meetings and running for office
- ★ The opportunity to network with other Maine wood carvers.
- ★ A free Carver Profile on MWCA's website and a link to your website
- ★ Information through your free subscription to MWCA's monthly newsletter "The Maine Carver"
- ★ Four free business card size ads per year in "The Maine Carver"
- ★ Lower registration fees for MWCA Seminars
- ★ Bird and Study Collection available for loan through MWCA's Curator of Birds
- ★ Books, Magazines, Videos, DVDs and Patterns available for loan through MWCA's Library

Join Today!

MWCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

☐ New ☐ Renew ☐ Email only ☐ Regular mail

Dues Schedule, payable by September 1, each year

Email Only: Dues \$15.00 per individual membership, \$25.00 for family membership, \$10.00 for junior member, age 12-16.

Regular Mail: Dues \$30.00 per individual membership, \$40.00 for family membership, \$20.00 for junior member, age 12-16.

Please return completed application, with your check made payable to "**Maine Wood Carvers Association**" or "**MWCA**" to:

Maine Wood Carvers Association

Bernadette Hodgkins
26 Acadia Ave. Apt. 1
Lewiston, ME 04240

Date _____

Name(s) _____

Street _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: H _____ W _____ C _____

Email Address _____

This is a gift membership from:

Name(s) _____

☐ Holiday gift ☐ Birthday gift ☐ Thank you

☐ Other _____

MWCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Advertising in the MAINE CARVER

Members are permitted four free 1/8 pg. advertisements in any year.

All other advertisements are charged according to the following schedule:

1/2 page ad = \$20 per month/\$240 yr.

(1/2 page is approx. 3.25"x9.5" or 6.5" x 4.75")

1/4 page ad = \$10 per month/\$120 yr.

(1/4 pg. is approx. 3.25"x 4.75")

1/8 page ad = \$5 per month/\$60 yr.*

(1/8 pg. is approx. 3.25"x 2.25")

*a 1/8 page ad approximates a business size card

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***DOWNEAST WOODCARVERS**

☺ 2nd Wednesday 6 PM

2 County Rd., Bar Harbor, Me.

Ed Hawkes, (207) 288-5746

hawks38@gmail.com

***KENNEBEC CARVERS**

☺ Every Tuesday, 9-11 AM

Spring Rd., Augusta, Me.

Loyd Clark, (207) 445-2688

***SENIOR SPECTRUM CARVERS**

☺ Every Monday 12:30-3 PM

Cohen Center, Town Farm Rd.,

Hallowell, Me.

Rene Pomerleau, (207) 622-0276

***SEACOAST CARVERS**

☺ 2nd & 4th Thur. 6:30-8:30 PM

25 Fox Run Rd., Newington, NH

(WOODCRAFTERS)

Wayne Preston (603) 502-7599

WaynePreston@Comcast.net

***THE GANG—Norm's Shop**

☺ Every Monday 1PM

10 Aspen Rd., Raymond, Me.

Norm Devonshire (207) 655-5242

*** NON-VOTING CHAPTERS**

☺ **CHECK FOR POSSIBLE
CHANGES IN SCHEDULE**