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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR





PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings from Bog Haven

First, Merriel and I wish to extend “SEASON GREETING TO ALL”. We hope your Thanksgiving was a good one. All our family gathered for the traditional turkey dinner, then as their parents returned home, we had four grandchildren (ages 11, 10, 6, & 3) through Sunday. “Whew!” Not as young as we once were. But it was fun.

I wish to thank all who attended the 2008 wrap-up show committee meeting in Augusta last month. It was a very good meeting with many recommendations made for consideration in future shows. Now to update everyone as to what transpired at that meeting. Several members noted that there has been a goodly amount of concern of there being no “Dawn East Show” in 2009 and moving it to the spring in 2010. This topic was discussed at length with input from everyone. The committee unanimously agreed to it would be best to return to our original show date of the last weekend in September even if it conflicts one of the agriculture fairs. Following this discussion it was voted to lock-in the Augusta Armory for (1st choice) Sept. 26 & 27, (2nd choice) Sept. 19 & 20. Sunday January 17th (noon to 4:00PM) was set for the first show committee meeting at the GREAT WALL RESTURANT in Augusta. Dave Brown is to make contact with the Armory and lock-in one of these weekend dates. When he made contact, he learned that our first choice is already taken and our second choice is spoken for but not yet confirmed. The person who is in charge of scheduling is on vacation so any available dates were not immodestly available. After checking with Dave today (Thurs. the 5th) it will be at least another week before we learn more about available dates for the Armory. If you have any thoughts concerning this matter, put them in an e-mail and send them to me.

Kathy Webster and Gary Sainio have agreed to serve on the nominating committee for 2009 & 2010 MWCA officers. If they contact you and ask you to fill one of the positions, I hope you will seriously consider serving this great organization. Thank You.

Until next time, Happy Carving

Bob Perry

President, M.W.C.A..

MWCA Chapter Reports

Streaked Mountain Woodcarvers

attendance: Dave Peatfield, Clarence French, Merle Glines, Ed Beach, Laura Freeman, White Wolf, Jim Irish, Ron Dobson, Ton Foley, Betty Foley, Jack Frost, Chuck Perry, Bob Perry.

Betty Foley was our volunteer meeting leader. She has also volunteered to host the November meeting. When we meet in November we will have election of officers and finish up on the eagle head canes.

There will be no October meeting since 5 of our regularly attending members will be at the carving retreat in Rhode Island and most members had other plans on either the weekend before or the weekend after our usual meeting date.

We had a downeast woodcarver event update from Bob Perry. The theme this year is patriotic. If anyone has anything patriotic to add to our table as a decoration please bring it or get it to Bob or Chuck Perry prior to the show. We need volunteers to man our Streaked Mountain table at various times throughout Saturday and Sunday. We also need volunteers to staff the admission table. Set up on Friday 10/17 from noon – 6pm. Show on Saturday 10/18 9-5 and Sunday 10/19 9-4. We need help to break down the display. Get any carvings you want to display over to Bob Perry sometime before the show. So far we have very few people signed up for the woodcarver show.

Wolf and I will be there from 11am to closing for clean up and possibly Saturday.

Jack will be there on Saturday 7am to mid afternoon. He will be bringing two items for display. The valentine violinist and another piece.

Dave Peatfield volunteered for Friday noon-6pm and Sunday 9-4 for clean up.

Betty and Tom Foley will be there Saturday from 1-2pm and has volunteered to man the admission table from 10-12 on the same day. Jim Irish will be there all weekend.

Bob and Chuck Perry will be there all weekend.

Betty introduced Karen and Mike from Cape Forge to talk to us about the quality of their knives and gave a great sharpening demonstration. They will be at the Downeast Woodcarving show in Augusta on Saturday only.

Show and Tell:

Bob Perry – wizards from cypress knees, Halloween pumpkins

Chuck Perry – eagle head canes, black and white cattle, a dalmation

Jim Irish – intarsia tiger

Dave Peatfield – several decoys

Ed Beach – Duck with baby duck, unfinished duck

Hinckley tree ornaments will be collected beginning at the woodcarver show in Augusta. You can also bring them to the November meeting for the last collection.

At the December 13th meeting we will be having a Christmas carving contest judged by members of the church.

Your Secretary
Justina

Carver Street Carvers

Didn't get to spend much time with the carvers in November. Went to CO for 10 days and then with the Thanksgiving Holiday had a very busy month. Know they are still meeting even when there is only two or three. Hope to get back soon.

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Barbara McCutcheon

Coastal Carvers

We welcomed Ted Mohlie, a new member, from Waldoboro. He brought his group of wood-burned juncos to Show and Tell and admired the work.

Carol read a letter from Vic Hamburger and showed the ornaments he sent for the Goodwill

Hinckley tree. He did five chip carved circles and two Santas. Thank you, Vic.

The Wades have invited us to their home for the Coastal Carvers Christmas party on December 13th. Munchies at 11:30 with dinner. We had a food sign-up sheet and if you are coming, please bring food to the party. Then we do the great carving or other home made gift swap. Always fun and everyone gets something delightful. We always have a wonderful time. The Wades live at 68 Walpole Meeting House Road in Newcastle.

After Show and Tell, Karen Knowles and Jim Wade helped us set eyes and join heads to the club bodies. Before setting the eyes, some of us worked on carving the heads. Thank you Jim and Karen for help and expertise. In January we will paint the club birds. Please bring paint brushes. Paint will be provided. If you are not quite ready to paint, you can use the time to get caught up.

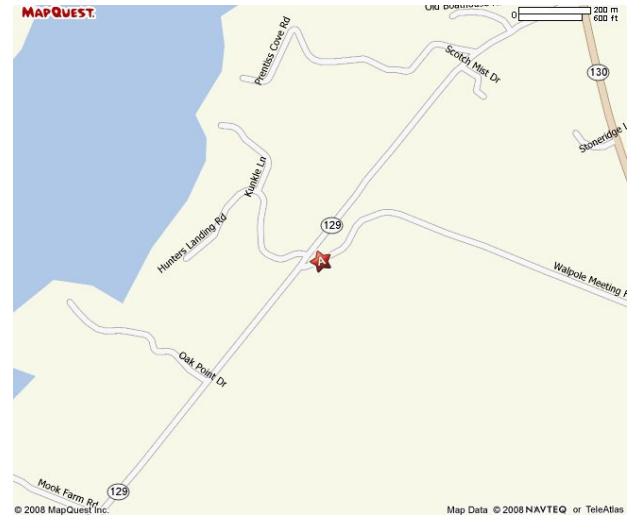
Show and Tell:

Ted Mohlie - Wood burned juncos
Bob Schiesser - a full size blue winged female teal, beautifully wood burned and painted
Dick Baldwin - club duck
Richard Spinney - club duck
Richard Nickerson - painted angel pins
Beverly Nickerson - miniature duck stained with paste shoe polish for a very attractive finish
Karen Knowles - a detailed miniature bark house
Anne Kresbach - club duck head. Anne brought Kathy Webster's Canada Goose club
Joan Gotlibson - four double sided painted ornaments - very nice carving by Roger and painting by Joan
Peter Price - three piece nativity- Joseph, Mary and Baby Jesus, stained finish. He has the complete set minus camels - he doesn't do camels.
Barbara Wade - quilt square, acorn and oak leaf almost done
Jim Wade - as always, Jim is working on multiple pieces. He showed his quilt square of

people in canoe. What great detail of woodburning in the faces, rough water and woodlands! Sorry, no pictures.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol H. Durgin
Chapter Director



Directions to Wade's

South Coast Carvers

On the fourth Tuesday of the month, November 25, the Southcoast Carvers met at the Woodcraft store in *The Crossings Mall* in Newington, NH. Members attending were Bob Schwinger, Vohnny Weyrick, Todd Wisell, Kevin Thacker and George Calef. Our sympathies are with Bob Philippe on the passing of his mother and our thoughts and prayers are with him and his dad.

Show and tell is always the highlight of our meetings and this month was no exception. Gathering a lot of attention were Vohnny's "critter balls." Each carving is approximately one inch in diameter and resembles an animal or bird. She will use them as favors and attach them to Christmas presents. Todd Wisell carved a very nice caricature of Goofy posing as a baseball player. Bob Schwinger has two Kestrels in progress for the World's show. Kevin Thacker is carving a Bufflehead Duck

and a Bear. The Bear accidentally lost a toenail and Kevin did a short demonstration on repairing a carving with super glue. Yours truly showed a Cedar Waxwing and a partially completed Duck for the World's.

Due to the Holidays, we will not meet in December, so our next meeting will be the fourth Tuesday in January, on the 27th, at the Woodcraft store in their NEW LOCATION: across from Walmart on Fox Run Rd in Newington.

Submitted by George Calef

Capitol Carvers

No report this month

Loyd Clark

Supplemental Financial Report MWCA November 1, 2008 to November 30, 2008

Starting Balance	\$9,568.81
INCOME:	
Memberships	<u>225.00</u>
Income	225.00
EXPENSES:	
Newsletter Editor, Sep	40.00
Albison Printing, Sep Newsletter	227.93
Post Card Dues Reminders	<u>17.55</u>
	285.48
Ending Balance	\$9,508.33

*Details of any transaction are available from
the Treasurer, Wilma Sarna*

Central Maine Carvers

No Report this month

Jarod White, Reporter.

Downeast Woodcarvers

No Report this month

Poland Spring Carvers

No Report this month.