

Dayton Carvers Guild

March 2022



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This newsletter comes from Marshall Stearns. It's my third best work this year.

March Program – Election of Officers, The Club Libraries and Future Programs

We will elect officers. There are candidates but if anyone wants to serve, there is a position for you.

The club has a hard copy library and a video library. These once were stored in our meeting area. Now, only the older members have even seen them. There was a start of converting VHS videos to current formats but with an uncertain end. We will decide what to do with them.

With the start of a new session, we will brainstorm which programs you members want. We have lots of good ideas to start off with.

Who we are. What we do.

We, The Dayton Carvers Guild, are wood carving enthusiasts. Some are experts and some are beginners.

Carvers and folks who might be interested in carving are invited to come to our meetings.

At a typical meeting we start with Show and Tell. Seeing what others have carved inspires you. We break for coffee and cookies, and then have a program. It might be a “how to” demonstration or a presentation of something related to wood or carving. Ideas flow.

If you have questions please contact Marshall Stearns at (937) 837-0728 or emstearns8@gmail.com.

Temporary restrictions for meetings as directed by Dennis Grant, Executive Director of United Rehabilitation Services

We must park on the north side of the URS building (which people refer to as “the alley”) and enter directly into the Vocational Room on the north side of the building.

If necessary, the single stall restroom in the hallway outside of the Vocational Room can be used.

Those who are not vaccinated must wear a mask. If you have been vaccinated, you are not required to wear a mask unless you enter into a hallway or common area since there will be staff present. We will not be checking you as you come in the door, but just request that you be honest as to your vaccinations. Thank you.

Next Dayton Carvers Guild Meeting: Tuesday, March 22nd, 6:30 pm at United Rehabilitations Services Building, 4710 Troy Pike (at Needmore Road), Dayton, Ohio. Meetings are at 6:30 pm on the 4th Tuesday of the month except there is none in December.

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March Cookie Contributors: Bruce Henn & Rich Richmond



Carvers Luncheon at Marion's

In February the chef at Marion's provided a special lunch for us. It was varenyky, Ukrainian style. She prepared them first by boiling, then frying in butter and then baking in heavy cream. Served with Polish sausage, they were ready to assuage the pangs of a keen appetite for which the carvers are seldom at a loss.

The carvers meet for lunch at Marion's North Piazza. Join us if you can. It's at noon on every first Wednesday of the month at Marion's North, 3443 North Dixie Drive in Dayton.

Visitors at the February Meeting

Barb Liptak and Russ Wright.

New Member

Barb Liptak. Barb, this will be a fruitful venture for us and for you.

February Show & Tell Winner

It was Rich Richmond and he chose a gouge.

February 50/50 Winner

Russ Wright was the winner. He pocketed \$11.

For the new attendees, here is how the 50/50 works. You buy tickets. A winning ticket is drawn. The winner gets 50% of the sales and the other 50% goes to the club.

Dues Due

Remember, membership dues are due by March 31, 2022. Dues are \$10 for individual, \$15 for family. You can pay them at the March meetings, or mail a check or money order payable to Dayton Carvers Guild to: Barb Belcher, 6205 U S Route 40, Tipp City, OH. 45371-9422.

After March 31, Barb will be preparing an updated Club Roster, so if you have had any changes to your address, telephone number or email address, please let her know at r1belcher@aol.com or (937) 845-0346.

Renew your dues and update your information pronto, so when Barb promptly makes the roster you are on it. (That's from Marshall.)

Member Discount at The Hardwood Store

Your Dayton Carvers Guild membership card will save you money at The Hardwood Store. They give us:

- 10% off retail price of lumber and moldings
- 5% off retail price of plywood and doors
- 10% off all other regularly priced items
- No discounts on sale or clearance items
- No discounts on flooring and decking.

The Hardwood Store has an extensive stock of woods for carving and woodworking, as well as exotics. Their website is at www.thehardwoodstore.com. Find them at 340 Enon Road, Enon, Ohio 45323. Phone: 937-864-2899.

Donated Items from William Hamon

The biggest William Hamon thing given to carvers that was brought to the February meeting was a lap duct collector for power carving. Three folks entered a drawing for it and Jerry Sowder won. More things will be brought to every meeting.

Chip Chats has a Newsletter

Chip Chats is the magazine of the National Woodcarvers Association. They have a free newsletter. Go to the Chip Chats website at chipchats.org and enter your email address to subscribe to the newsletter.

How to Identify Basswood Trees

I'd say by their sweet scent. They are common in this area. The April 1995 issue of Wood Magazine says this:

“Young basswood trees feature light grey, smooth bark, while that of older trees becomes darker and deeply ridged. In late winter, small reddish-brown buds appear on branch twigs. Their nutlike flavor signals that you've found a basswood tree.

“When leaves form, they have a distinctive heart shape with lightly serrated edges. The leaves also display an unusual trait: The undersides, not the tops, are shiny. Clusters of sweet-smelling white or cream-colored flowers follow the leaves.”

Chip Carving Materials Donated to Dayton Carvers

A couple decades ago Randy Brown was a member of the Dayton Carvers Guild. He is a chip carver. But, due to hand problems he has given up carving and he donated a treasure of equipment to the club.

Here is what we have (approximately), all for chip carving.

- 7 knives of different blade shapes. To me they look like John Dunkle knives.
- 3 Wayne Barton knives
- 1 specialty unusual knife.
- 1 pfeil knife.
- A pair of Wayne Barton sharpening ceramic stones.
- Strop and strop compound.
- Drafting materials.
- Glove.
- Saral transfer paper.
- Lots of basswood project pieces.

Everything is in pristine condition. The purchase cost of just the knives approaches \$500.

At the March meeting we can decide how to distribute these to our members. I suggest adding them to the Show & Tell prize box. We can talk it over.