

Dayton Carvers Guild November 2025

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This, from Marshall Stearns who is destined to land on the cover of Chip Carving Illustrated.

November Program: Pot-Luck Dinner

At our regular meeting time and place, we will have a pot-luck dinner. The club will furnish main courses of ham and fried chicken. If you can, bring a side dish, salad, vegetable, dessert or whatever you'd like. Bring your own beverage, plates, cups and flatware. Your family members and friends are welcome.

Also, at the November meeting, there will be an additional giving away of carving materials. See page 2 for more details.

Who we are:

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. Serendipitous encounters with other carvers spark creativity.

At a typical meeting we start with Show and Tell. 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 carving. Ideas flow.

If you have questions, please see our website, you may email to the address above or call Marshall Stearns at (937) 409-9654.

Meeting Instructions:

Park in the front or in the nearby parking lot. Enter the United Rehabilitation Services building through the front door, the door that faces to the south. It's the door where the buses and vans are parked. From there bear left. If you are late and encounter a locked door, press the buzzer on a carved stand.

We are to clean up the chips, put tables and chairs back, and depart prior to 8:30.

Next Dayton Carvers Guild Meeting: Tuesday, November 25th. The club meetings are at 6:30 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday of the month except there is none in December. We meet at United Rehabilitation Services building, 4710 Troy Pike (corner at Needmore Road), Dayton, Ohio.

November Program: - Pot-Luck Dinner, regular meeting place and time. Also raffling of carving materials.

Fred Riggs' Carving Supplies Given to Dayton Carvers Guild

A good quantity of materials owned by Fred Riggs has been given to the club. These will be raffled away at our meetings, starting at the November meeting.

We will drop raffling of club library materials until the Riggs items are gone.

Not at the November meeting:

No Show & Tell.

No December meeting

We always **skip** the club meeting in December.

Yes, Marion's luncheon is in December

We will have our regular gathering, even in December. We need to plan the January program.

October Show and Tell

Jim Riboulet won the drawing for folks who had something for Show and Tell. The drawing prize now is wood that was given to the club. Jim's prize included a BIG block of basswood. (I *think* it was basswood!)

Woodcraft of Dayton Carving Contest

Everyone loves a carving contest. There is one right now at Dayton's Woodcraft. It's open until November 30. See the next page for the Santa contest.

Carvers Luncheon at Marion's

We carvers join monthly for a lunch at Marion's North. You can locate the carvers from their cackling like a bunch of hens in the Henn house.

Our luncheon is at noon on every first **Thursday** of the month. Find Marion's Piazza North at 3443 North Dixie Drive in Dayton. You can call in your order ahead of time, 937 277-6553. Seniors, ask for your discount. It's not available for the special.

Ornaments for United Rehabilitation Services

The October meeting was the finale for ornaments. Now that it's over, we see we had a great haul for the kids and folks at URS. The count was 186 ornaments.

If there are carvers, there will probably be a contest and prizes. Here are the ornaments contest winners.

1st Ed Johnson

2nd Ed Johnson

3rd & 4th tie Terry Borger and Rich Richmond

5th & 6th tie Lee Stearns and Ronnie Stewart

7th ties Ronnie Stewart (twice), Ed Johnson, Lee Stearns, Bruce Henn and Dick Belcher

Thanks, folks.

About Ed Johnson

Ed is in his 90's and doesn't drive to our meetings. But, he still carves, tremendously, as we saw in his ornaments. Thanks, Ed.



Santa Carving Contest

We know everyone loves Santa, but can you carve one out of wood? Starting October 1 and going through November 30, we are sponsoring a Santa carving contest along with the Miami Valley Woodcarvers. Your Santa must be no larger than 2" x 2" x 6". Size will be checked by a box when your entry is submitted. Blanks are available from Woodcraft Dayton, or you can use your own. People's choice judging will be December 1-14 with judging on Tuesday, December 16. Prizes include knives from FlexCut, kits from Beavercraft, and free 1 year membership to the Miami Valley Carvers.



Rules

1. Only 1 entry per person and the Santa must be carved by that person.
2. Santas must be hand carved using standard hand carving tools-no CNC. Power carving is allowed.
3. Entries must be dropped off at Woodcraft Dayton no later than close of business (5:00 PM) on Sunday, November 30, 2025
4. Entries must be picked up between December 26- January 4. If you do not make other arrangements, your entry will be considered a donation to the Miami Valley Carvers.
5. Judges will be provided by Miami Valley Carvers and are not eligible for the contest. Judge's decisions are final except for People's Choice and the pumpkin that receives the most votes will win.
6. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and People's Choice award

Carving a Face on a Pumpkin

If you weren't at the October meeting you should have been, because you would now know how easy and quick it is to carve a pumpkin face. At least that's how it seemed, watching Bruce Henn.

