



**February 2020**

## **GENESEE VALLEY WOODCARVERS**

Meetings are held from 7 to 9 PM on the 2nd Monday of the month (except July and August) at:  
The 40 & 8 Club (across the street from Gleason Works)  
933 University Avenue, Rochester, New York  
**Web site:** <http://gvwoodcarvers.com/>

**Important Disclosure:** Wood carving and whittling may be habit forming and could prevent you from engaging in household chores and other unpleasant tasks. Carving is enjoyable and you may be prone to share it with others: thus, causing them to experience the same distractions from less pleasant tasks as you may have experience yourself

**Next Meeting**

**Monday, February 10, 2020**

**Topic: Winter Carving Classes**

**6:30 – 8:30 pm**

**GVW OFFICERS:** Co Presidents: *George Abbott & Harry Patrick* Treasurer: *Alison Currie*  
Website: *Tony Filetti and Rob Lucci* Membership: *Jeff O'Donnell* Show Chair: *John Currie*  
At Large: *Don Buss* Newsletter: *Susie Nettleton* Historian: *Wayne Kidd*

# GVW 2019-2020 CARVING YEAR

## MEETING/ ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

<b>February 10 &amp; 24, 2020</b>	Winter Carving Classes
<b>March 9 &amp; 23, 2020</b>	Winter Carving Classes
<b>April 3, 2020</b>	Setup & registration for 2020 show
<b>April 4, 2020</b>	2020 Show, 10AM -4:30PM
<b>April 13, 2020</b>	Show wrap up
<b>May 11, 2020</b>	Nomination of officers
<b>June 8, 2020</b>	Election of officers Annual Dibella's sub social

## GVW Meeting Format & Schedule

6:30-7:00 PM	Open time for socializing, informal coaching or critiquing, browse the library, & the informal "Show & Ask Me" table.
7:00-7:15 PM	Welcome new members and guests, announcements.
7:00-8:45 PM	Open carving time and/or demos.
8:45-9:00 PM	Room cleanup

## General Reminders

Check out the website: [www.gvwoodcarvers.com](http://www.gvwoodcarvers.com)

"I hope all club members have checked the club website recently. A special thanks to Tony & Rob for the fantastic job on updating the website. I especially found the list of links for tools helpful." Harry

There is a table available for members to showcase what they're working on. It can be either a finished carving or a work in progress.

If any members have helpful hints, have seen a new product or have information a tools/fixtures that they would like to pass along, please consider a short write-up for the newsletter. Contact Susie Nettleton for more info. [newsletter@gvwoodcarvers.com](mailto:newsletter@gvwoodcarvers.com)

# President's Corner

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At the January meeting the Winter carving classes got off to a strong start with a number of interesting projects and a strong turnout by the membership. It will be fun to watch the progress in all of these projects as the weeks progress.

The GVWC committee is working to set a date in early February to meet to discuss the process for our upcoming show in April, and to review and organize all the responses we received from club members for potential class projects for the future. Once organized and ready we will bring this information to a club meeting to discuss further with everyone.

Hope everyone is getting to spend ample time in their workshop or dedicated carving space to work on their "to carve" list. It really does seem to make the winter go by faster!

Annual show April 4, 2020 countdown - only 9 weeks, 6 days from January 26, 2020. Everyone make an effort to increase your 2019 level by at least one additional carving for 2020. This show is our opportunity to show the public the amazing work we do through the year.

If you have important club related news or an announcement you wish to get out to the membership, please let Harry or George Abbott know.

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Newsletter Editor:	Susie Nettleton
Webmaster:	Tony Filetti and Rob Lucci
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Regards, George and Harry

Remember, safety first, and keep those wood chips flying and the dust collected!

# **New Chips Off the Block**

**Dick Crew  
Jan Boor  
Mark Donahue**

## **Show Information**

Raffle Update from Dave: 20 items donated so far

Your donations are greatly appreciated. Carvings and carving related items are some of the largest collectors of tickets. Bring your donations to him at any meeting. Or contact him: 585-500-5414 sfchock@rochester.rr.com

## **Carving Groups**

**Greece Carving Group      Contact Bob Martin at [rjm578@aol.com](mailto:rjm578@aol.com)**

The Greece Carving Group will meet every Monday Morning from 9:00 to 11:30 (except Holidays) The Greece Senior Center is in the Town of Greece Town Hall complex just to the North of the Town Hall, on the West side of Long Pond Rd. approx. 1/4 mile North of Latta Rd. Bring your own project to carve.

**Chili Carving Group**

The Chili Carving Group meets on at the Chili Senior Center on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am. The Chili Senior Center is located at 3235 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14624.

**Irondequoit Carving Group      Contact Paul Yarrows at [Duck1871@hotmail.com](mailto:Duck1871@hotmail.com)**

The Irondequoit Carving Group meets Thursday mornings at 9:00 am at the Transfiguration Lutheran Church, 3760 Culver Road Rochester. Carve anything with anything including power. Free will offering for the church. Sometimes lunch is involved.

## Showcase



### From Jim Hotaling

As 2019 comes to a close and my carvings were completed: 5 Santa figures and 4 Santa faces, I was reminded how lucky I was to be a member of Genesee Valley Woodcarvers. Mell Connell's class of Santa faces allowed me to give each of my four children a gift for their Christmas tree. There were several other people who also helped me with carving and painting techniques. We are blessed with having a group like GVW!

# Upcoming events

- Feb 22-23, 2020** Charlotte Woodcarvers Showcase, Central Piedmont Community College, Worrell Building, Charlotte, NC  
**Contact:** [www.charlottewoodcarvers.com](http://www.charlottewoodcarvers.com)
- Mar 14-15, 2020** Ohio Decoy Collectors and Carvers Vintage Decoys and Wildlife Art Show and Sale, Strongsville Holiday Inn, 15471 Royalton Rd., Strongsville. OH  
**Contact:** Dwane Ong (vendors): [dwaneodcca@gmail.com](mailto:dwaneodcca@gmail.com), 734.934.2548;  
Vince Ciola (general information), 937.935.0657, [VinceCiola@gmail.com](mailto:VinceCiola@gmail.com),  
See [www.odcca.net](http://www.odcca.net) for discount code and contest rules.
- Mar 20-22, 2020** Canadian National Wildfowl Carving Championship  
Manulife Financial Sportsplex, RIM Park, 2001 University Ave E., Waterloo Ont  
**Contact:** 519.634.8070; [info@canadiannationals.net](mailto:info@canadiannationals.net); [www.canadiannationals.net](http://www.canadiannationals.net)
- March 21-22, 2020** Lancaster County WoodCarvers, 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Woodcarving & Wildlife Art Festival, Student Memorial Center, Millersville University, Millersville PA  
**Contact:** Pete Kovarovic, (717) 392-4814, [Woodchips624@comcast.net](mailto:Woodchips624@comcast.net),  
competition info: David Parker, (410) 867-2214, [daveparker1000@gmail.com](mailto:daveparker1000@gmail.com)
- March 20-22, 2020** The Woodworking Show; New York State Fair, Horticultural Bldg, 581 State Fair Blvd, Syracuse NY  
**Contact:** [www.thewoodworkingshows.com](http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com)  
There will also be a Home & Garden Show in the Exposition Center that weekend.
- March 28-29, 2020** Northeastern Woodworkers Association Annual Fine Woodworking Show  
Saratoga Springs City Center, Saratoga, NY  
**Contact:** [www.woodworker.org](http://www.woodworker.org)
- April 24-26, 2020** 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Ward World Wildfowl Competition & Art Festival,  
Roland E. Powell Convention Center, Ocean City MD
- April 25, 2020** Rochester Woodworkers Society Show, Main Street Armory, Rochester, NY  
**Contact:** Denise Dee, [ddee@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ddee@rochester.rr.com)
- May 2-3, 2020** Havre de Grace Decoy and Wildlife Arts Festival, Havre de Grace Middle School and Decoy Museum, 215 Giles St., Havre de Grace MD  
**Contact:** 410.939.3739, [information@decoymuseum.com](mailto:information@decoymuseum.com); [www.decoymuseum.com](http://www.decoymuseum.com)

# Chips from the Editor

Happy Ground Hog Day! The weather certainly encourages you to stay in your carving hole and keep working on projects. The newsletter is later than usual. Advice from the editor: Don't get sick. You can't get much carving or anything else done from the recliner.

If you don't receive the newsletter by the first week of month, please let me know and I'll send you one. You can also find the newsletter on the website.

Please remember to send me photos of your carving projects or other things to share in the newsletter.

**The March newsletter deadline is February 25.**

Susie Nettleton, Editor [newsletter@gvwoodcarvers.com](mailto:newsletter@gvwoodcarvers.com)