

February 2022 GENESEE VALLEY WOODCARVERS Web site: <u>http://gvwoodcarvers.com/</u>

Interim President's Letter – February 2022

1. Club classes are off to a great start. We all hope for more cooperative weather in February as the drives home after class have been somewhat harrowing. If you are not taking a class, please join us for company while you work on your current project. The remaining class dates are February 14 & 28 and March 14 & 28, 2022. Classes run from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the 40 & 8 Club.

2. The 2022 Show and Competition is scheduled for Saturday, April 9, 2022 at the Rochester Museum & Science Center, Eisenhart Auditorium. Due to COVID concerns, we will not host the kid's soap carving class this year. Jim Butlin will put together carving kits (soap, knife, instructions) to give to children attending the show.

3. The Southtowns Woodcarvers of Western New York have invited us to their Show on April 23 and 24, 2022. More information will be forthcoming.

4. Club Project - Friendship Cane

A friendship cane is comprised of a series of individual blocks each carved by a different carver. This will be an at home summer carving project and we hope the majority of club members will participate. We should be able for make two or three canes. We plan to present a cane to the Southtowns Woodcarvers of Western New York in friendship and to encourage cooperation between our two clubs.

To learn more about friendship canes please visit these YouTube references from a project by Dennis Stallings:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_nac8tiVTZg https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a7E4OBX7rLA https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jO_CpfRp7xs

The cane pictured was made for former Club member Tom Johnson. It is a work of art.



Allison Currie



Show Information

We are currently planning for the 2022 GVW Show and Competition on Saturday, April 9, 2022. Set up and carving registration will be on Friday afternoon, April 8, 2022. We will need volunteers to set up and help with registration on Friday, greet the public and clean up, etc. on Saturday. I will begin circulating the sign-up sheet during club meetings in February.

Since the 2020 and 2021 shows were cancelled, this year we will allow registration of any carvings completed in the past three years. There is no registration fee for club members and no limit on number of entries. This show will be big!

The complete competition rules are attached to the email.

I look forward to seeing you at the show! John Currie, Show Chairman

REGISTRATION AND DROP OFF:

Rochester Museum & Science Center, Eisenhart Auditorium 657 East Avenue Rochester, New York 14626 Friday, April 8, 2022 3:30 to 5:30 PM Saturday, April 9, 2022 7:30 to 8:30 AM (Intended for out of town entrants)

CARVING PICKUP

Saturday, April 9, 2022 4:30 PM Carvings MAY NOT be removed from the auditorium prior to 4:30 PM.

SHOW AND COMPETITION

Date: Saturday, April 9, 2022 Time: 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM Location: Rochester Museum & Science Center, Eisenhart Auditorium 657 East Avenue Rochester, New York 14626

Need ideas for Egg Carvings

Special class for the show: eggs

Susie has a book of easy egg projects if you need ideas: Animals, pumpkins, people; most can be completed in a few hours. Call or email her if you want to look at the book. 585-734-0266 susie.nettleton@rochester.rr.com

Gallery





By Earl





The middle of November each year, I pick up the magazine at Barns and Noble. There is always Christmas carvings that are easy to carve which is a big plus for me as our four adult children always want one! Last year it was a pine cone and this year it was a snowman. The carver of both years was Bob Kozakiewicg who gives easy to follow directions including painting. January Woodcarving Magazine is usually on sale until the end of the month. Jim Hotaling P.S. Yes our children loved the snowman carving. I did a total of eight!



Alison's Cardinals in waiting

Inspiration from Aimee Nothnagle



Chips from the Editor

Once again, I started a carving project thinking I know what I am doing and now I am lost. I am thankful for carving class so Alison can figure out what I need to carve next on the cardinal.

Please send me photos of your projects and I will include them in the gallery section. Attached to this newsletter is a file of Tony's ice-skating bear and the competition rules for the show.

The newsletter deadline is: March 29, 2022

Happy carving,

Susie Nettleton, editor