



May 2019

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://gwoodcarvers.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, May 13, 2019

Topic: Presentation by Al Jordan: "What Judges look for"
Nomination of officers for 2019

6:45 – 8:30 pm

GVW OFFICERS: President: *Harry Patrick* Vice President: *George Abbott* Treasurer: *Alison Currie*
Website: *Mardou Case* Membership: *Jeff O'Donnell* Show Chair: *John Currie* At Large: *Al Adaskin*
Newsletter: *Susie Nettleton* Historian: *Wayne Kidd*

GVW 2018-2019 CARVING YEAR

MEETING/ ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

May 13	Nominations of officers for 2020 Show wrap up
June 10	Election of officers Annual Dibella's sub social
April 4, 2020	2020 Show

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

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

If you have items to sell, send a digital picture, a description and suggested dollar amount to Mardou at mardou@rochester.rr.com She will post it on the website for you .

New Chips off the Block

Patricia & Richard Coleman
David Halligan
Suzanne & William Keller
Reginald Lewis
Donnis & Layle Morgan
Brad Robinson
David Smith
Donald Williams

President's Corner

Happy Spring everyone! And I hope I just didn't jinx the weather. I heard many positive comments on the show. I've been told that we had more carvings this year than last year and Robin Salsbury had a wonderful display of his carving from his very first one to current ones. I heard many favorable comments on his display. Thank you Robin! A formal Show Chairman's report should be completed shortly. The date for our next show has been set. It's **April 4, 2020** date. Which in keeping with my tradition, as I write this, is only **355 days or 50½ weeks** away! Our goal as always, is to increase both the number of participants and the number of carvings.

As everyone knows new members are the life blood of any club. Please talk up the club whenever possible. If you know of someone interested in woodcarving but they're not sure what they would like to do, invite them to attend a meeting to see what we are doing. **Currently we have approximately 85 paid members.** Dues are \$20 per year for an individual & \$25 for a family. Membership forms are on the website. Please send completed forms to Alison.

At this year's show, we signed up quite a few new members. (see "New Chips off the Block" list)

Club T-shirts and ball caps are still available for \$10 each. Club business cards are also on hand; take some to share with folks who may be interested in carving.

The nominating committee, aka Al Adaskin, will present the slate of officers for next year. Election of officers will be at the June meeting. We are still looking for a webmaster-in-training to assume the reins next year. For more details see the "help wanted" ad in the announcements.

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

*Regards,
Harry*

Announcements

Wanted: Webmaster-in-Training: Our current webmaster, Mardou Case, has expressed the desire to do some traveling next year and wishes to turn over the reins to a new person. She will work with someone until the October-November time frame, at which point that individual will take over the position. Duties include general maintenance of the website, posting photos, posting information on the show and winter classes & updating the calendar of events. This person will be a member of the board, with possibly two meetings a year to attend. If interested please contact either Mardou mardou@rochester.rr.com or Harry 585.880.4924 or hpatrick@rochester.rr.com
Thank you for your consideration.

The following ideas have been provided to me for future winter carving classes. Please contact me with any other ideas. If any member has experience in these & would be willing to share either as a winter class or a mini demo for next year, please contact Harry Patrick at (585) 880-4924 or hpatrick@rochester.rr.com

- Habitat making: log sections with realistic bark, leaves, berries, etc.
- Feet & legs, especially for warbler size birds
- Carving birds of all kinds
- Celtic knot carving
- Bark carvings

Carving Groups

Greece Carving Group Contact Bob Martin at 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.

Show Chairman's Report - 2019

The 2019 Show was a success!

Public attendance was lower than last year, perhaps because it was not school break week and the Museum had a special exhibit which may have occupied more time for patrons. 141 ballots were cast for People's Choice Award, approximately 25% less than last year. Approximately 15 aspiring young carvers attended the Soap Carving class.

With 127 entries, we had slightly more than last year's 120 entries. As usual, the quality and variety of entries was impressive. The 2nd edition Special Floating Rubber Duckie Division was very entertaining and well received by visitors. Congratulations to all winners!

Thanks to the featured drawing for a carving kit and our wonderful Membership Table volunteers, our membership campaign was a success: 3 individuals as well as 3 families joined the club at the show.

Thanks to all the demonstrators who showed how the carvings are created. That is a highlight for many of the people who attend.

Thanks to Robin Salsbury for sharing some of his many carvings in this year's special exhibition. It was an excellent display of the breadth of Robin's talents.

Finally, a huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with the show - it could not happen without all the volunteers who give up their time on Friday and Saturday!

	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	Youth	Special
Bird	3	15	35		
General	14	23	27		
Other				3	7
Total	17	38	62	3	7
Grand Total					127 All Entries

Save the date for next year's show: April 4, 2020

Show Results:

If you would like the show results for each category, please call or email Susie and she will send them to you. newsletter@gvwoodcarvers.com 585-734-0266

Results are available for Competition Winners: Birds (4 pages)

Competition Winners: General (5 pages)

Competition Winners: All Other Divisions (1 page)



Coming Soon

Stay tuned for the grand re-opening of the club library. Jim Butlin has generously agreed to resume the role of librarian. We'll get the procedural details out in the next newsletter, so you can check items out for your summer projects.

Tips to Share

Thanks for Floyd for sharing this tip:



DOUBLE-DUTY SANDPAPER

For some jobs, a single sheet of sandpaper is too flimsy; the paper backing wears out before the grit. My solution is to glue two pieces back to back with spray adhesive. Sometimes I use two different grits for versatility.

Got a tip to share, product you like to use..... Please send them to Susie for the newsletter.

Show Showcase from April meeting



Upcoming events

May 6-10, 2019 **Lake Placid Woodcarving Experience, Historic Hotel Northwoods,
Lake Placid NY**

Contact [Jim O'Dea \(941\) 697-2002 jeodea@aol.com](mailto:jeodea@aol.com)
www.lakeplacid-woodcarving.webs.com

Chips from the Editor

Where did April go? The show seems ages ago. I don't have the spring clean up on the flower beds finished. My carving projects seem to go by the wayside when there is gardening to do. Given the awful weather, I have done a little carving and have a project to cut out. Happy carving or gardening or whatever you find to fill your time.

The May newsletter deadline is May 28.

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