



CAPITOL WOODCARVERS

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NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Hello Capitol Woodcarvers,

In just a word, BUSY, describes the summer of 2024 for the Capitol Woodcarvers. At our club meeting earlier this week there was a room full of our members ready to hear a few words about the upcoming Keizer Riverwalk Art Fair and Oregon State Fair. Both promise to be terrific events and a great way to promote our club, our members and the art of woodcarving. I know that Jack Dalton is still looking for a few more volunteers to help with our booth at the State Fair. Please reach out to him if you are interested. Our meeting closed with a terrific carve-along program led by Everett Carter. Once again Everett led us through a fun little snowman carving that is sure to be a hit at our annual ornament sale. Everett does so much for this club by teaching, sharing and promoting what we do. Like you, I appreciate him and everything he does for us.

I just looked back at an old club roster from 2019. There were 149 names on that list. On our most recent club roster there are just 64. There are family memberships that will inflate the numbers just slightly. But either way, the data tells a story and should motivate our members to take action. If you have an opportunity in the coming weeks to tell a friend about this club, I hope that you will do so. Share the many things that our group is involved in and invite them to a meeting. Tell them about a class. Bring them to a woodcarving event. Take them to the Salem Carousel

and introduce them to a fellow woodcarver. Sustaining our membership and growth of the club should be a priority. We need your help to do that.

In our little corner of the woodcarving world there is a lot going on. Then consider the activities of the Costal Carvers, the Oregon Carvers Guild, and the Silver Chips and it's easy to see the bounty of opportunity. If not for a chance invitation to carve on a Wednesday night in July just eight years ago, I would have had no idea this was available to me. So, I'll close with a plea. Please tell someone about your woodcarving journey and tell them about the Capitol Woodcarvers.

Remember your first woodcarving and how excited you were? Be the spark and light a fire for someone. Get them excited about woodcarving. We are counting on you!

Along with a few of your fellow Capitol Woodcarvers, Bonnie and I will be the Riverwalk Art Fair all weekend. I hope that you'll stop by and say hello.

Happy carving everyone,

Terry

Upcoming Events/Opportunities

Annual Club Picnic: Bush's Pasture Park August 27, 6:00PM.

Art Found in Wood: October carving show at the Keizer Art Association Gallery.

State Fair: Fair booth advertising our club and showing carvings to Fair attendees. August 23, 24, 25.

Empty Bowls: Donating carved spoons to a worthy cause.

Riverwalk Art Fair: Keizer Rapids Park, August 9,10,11.

Oregon Woodcarvers Rendezvous: Classes, sharing, and socializing. September 12, 13, 14, 15.

Ornament Sale: Well attended and fun event to raise funds for our club.

**Oregon State
Fair**

Columbia Flyway Show: Clatsop County Fairgrounds and Expo Center, Astoria, Oregon. September 20-22.

All these activities serve to promote our club and our members. Wood carving is creative, fun, and social. The more we participate the more visibility for our club, and for woodcarving in general.

Wood carving is a unique art form that many in the public are not aware of. Participation in public events helps our club attract members, introduces woodcarving to potential carvers, expands participation in and grows the art, provides opportunities to learn as a carver, and it is so much fun to interact with other carvers and the public.

More information about all these activities and how you can join in will be forthcoming.

Oregon State Fair

Get ready carvers. Jack Dalton has arranged for Capitol Woodcarvers to have a display booth at the 2024 Oregon State Fair. Booth dates are August 23, 24, 25. The booth will be in Columbia Hall.

This is a great opportunity for our club to interact with the public and to introduce visitors to woodcarving.



Please let Jack know when you are available to sit in the booth

Annual Picnic

August Picnic



Plan on attending the August 27 Capitol Woodcarvers annual potluck picnic.

Bring a chair and something to share.

See you at the picnic.

August 27, 6:00PM at Bush's Pasture Park, Southwest Corner of park. (Corner of High St. SE and Leffelle St. SE)

New Newsletter Feature

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Our members often have tools and other carving equipment available for sale. We are including a "For Sale" section in the Newsletter in response to our member's needs. Members who would like to have items listed for sale can send a picture, short description, price, and contact information to the newsletter editor using the club's email address: capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com.

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Log rack. It is large - 90.5 inches long X 20 inches deep X 57 inches tall. The log area is 47.75 inches tall. \$50

Contact: Peggy Carrington
pacarrington503@gmail.com



Workbench for \$50. It is 60" long (slightly over 65" with the vise), 20" deep and 34" tall.

Contact: Peggy Carrington
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Lunch Schedule

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- 8/9/2024 Lum Yuen, 3190 Portland Rd. NE, Salem
- 8/16/2024 Best Little Roadhouse, 1145 Commercial St SE, Salem
- 8/23/2024 Applebee's North, 2625 Liberty St. NE, Salem
- 8/30/2024 Mommy & Maddie's, 4765 River Rd N, Keizer

Lunch is at 11:30 each Friday. Please join us, guests welcome.

Oregon Woodcarvers Rendezvous

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September 12, 13, 14, 15

Contact Everett Koontz, for class and registration information:

Everett Koontz
<dabales1@icloud.com>

Club Meetings

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A meeting highlight is the "Program". Speakers are invited to talk about anything carving-related. Programs can be presentations, demonstrations, or participation events.

If you would like to suggest a "Program", please let us know and we will get it onto the schedule. If you would like to present a "Program" please contact us.

Membership Drive

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Capitol Woodcarvers provides learning, socialization, friendship, and opportunities to participate in woodcarving events. We are a good club in need of growth through participation. The more members we have the more varied our programs and opportunities to learn and grow as a carver.

Please share our club information with friends, neighbors, associates, and others you encounter.

Woodcarving is a great activity, let's grow and learn.

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