

## **CAPITOL WOODCARVERS**

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## President's Message

Back in March, Bob Curtis, our Webmaster and Newsletter Editor, made the suggestion to have a 2021 Virtual Carving Show. The Board members unanimously agreed that we should do so, and rather than awarding ribbons for category winners, approved funding for a raffle drawing to encourage entries. The name, Coming Back Strong, was chosen, and we were off and running with a new club venture. The Show debuted on our website: capitolwoodcarvers.org, May 1, 2021. Over 120 Photos were submitted by 37 Club members. Ten of those entrants had their names drawn from the hat to win a door prize. The Show turned out to be an impressive representation of the skills, artistry and creativity of our Club members, and it certainly supports our Club purpose to "preserve the art of woodcarving and to encourage and stimulate new carvers."

Thank you to all participants, the Board for approving the project, Kathie Dalton for her Facebook Postings, and a special thanks to Bob Curtis for his hard work and technical expertise in setting up the Show.

Don Fromherz

## **Capitol Woodcarvers**

2021 Virtual Show

## **Coming Back Strong**

May 1 - May 30

#### **Meet Pat Dorr**

## Meet Patricia (Pat) Dorr



Pat drifted into the carving class at the Center 50+ and engaged with the carvers who were working on their projects. She decided to give it a try and has been chipping away ever since. That same year, 2015, she joined Capitol Woodcarvers.

Pat has taken classes in sculpting, drawing and painting. She also makes jewelry and pine needle baskets. Her

jewelry is enhanced, by beautiful stones she crafts in the lapidary shop at the Center 50+. Not only is Pat an accomplished lapidary, she was also a past President of the Lapidary Club. The Salem Carousel group enlisted her to cut and polish stones for use as eyes in their Dragon project.

Pat is an active member of the Capitol Woodcarvers and is always available to help new carvers and to support the Club.

Pat is retired from a career in nursing.

She has a brother, one son, a daughter and four grandsons.

What We've Been Working On – Tom Seymour

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Tom is working on several projects one of which is this Mary and Joseph for a Nativity Set.





Tom is an active member of Capitol Woodcarvers and the Silverton Carving Group. His carvings are always a joy to see.

We know this set will turn out well and will be loved every Christmas.

Hopefully when this pandemic is over Tom will be sharing many more of his carvings at our monthly Club meeting.

### Capitol Woodcarvers Raffle

## Coming Back Strong - Raffle Prizes



Several fully vaccinated Club members met at an outdoor lunch. Laurie Ladd drew ten names of entrants "from the hat" to



determine winners of the Virtual Woodcarving Show door prizes.

If you have not yet seen the Virtual Show please check it out at

https://capitolwoodcarvers.org

The carvings on display are outstanding and representative of the talent in our Club.

The drawing was by chance and every entrant had the same chance of winning.

Congratulations to the drawing winners.

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Jack shared a new piece he has been working on and just completed. This is a pair of Canada Geese flying over water and cattails. The cattails are burned, the geese are basswood, and the background has live edges. These pieces are very artful and well done.



Our Club Parking-Lot-Lunches are a good venue to share carvings until we can once again gather indoors. We like to see new pieces, discuss techniques, and share ideas related to carving.

Now that the weather is warming please try to attend a lunch in the Baja Fresh parking lot on Lancaster Dr. We gather at 12:00PM. Bring a show-and-tell item or two.

## Pyrography in our Club

## More than Carving

Capitol Woodcarvers is more than a carving club. Many of our members prefer creating art in wood using pyrography. Pyrography is a wonderful way to express creativity while maintaining the beauty of the wood.

Pyrography is especially appealing to artists who have experience creating two dimensional art using media such as oils, watercolor, pencil, etc. Lines and shading create form and dimension resulting in truly wonderful pieces.

In addition to creating two dimensional art, some of our wood burners use their unique skill to enhance caricature and realistic carvings. Burned lines provide



**Rabbit by Barb Fromherz** 

clear separation between parts or colors of a carving. Burned shading results in deepening of shadow areas and creates the

illusion of more depth.

**Southwest Native American Quilt by Barb Fromherz** 

If you have not tried pyrography but are interested you should talk with some of our members who are expert in this medium. Like carvers, these artists are eager to share their experience and expertise. Visit the Capitol Woodcarvers Virtual Show to see many more examples of pyrography created by Club members.

## Columbia Flyway Show

## Columbia Flyway and Wildlife Show 2021

To all of our carving friends and show attendees.

After considerable thought and deliberation, the planners for the 2021 Columbia Wildlife Flyway Show have decided to cancel the 2021 Show. It is possible that we could be safely together in late August, but, right now, we just don't know the answer to that question? The expense of producing the show and the possibility of having to cancel at a later date; would be a burden on our budget. We think the better choice is to cancel this year, and come back stronger the following year. Right now we are looking at August 27 & 28, 2022 and are working with our sponsors and speakers to keep the 2022 show as close to what we planned for this year, as possible.

Please everyone, be safe and stay healthy through these most trying times. We will miss seeing all of you, but look forward to an even bigger and better show in 2022!

The Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show Planning Committee.

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