



Mid-America Woodcarvers Association

Newsletter

July 2016

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From the President:

As usual July is a busy month for the club. The Doane Committee is taking care of the last details in preparation for the MAWA Woodcarving Experience at Doane and the Fall Show Committee is starting to gear up for the Fall Show.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the MAWA Club Board for all they do to help promote our club and keep it going strong, and to everyone who volunteers at Doane and at the Fall Show. Knowing the hours I have put in over the years I realize the commitment it takes and it is truly appreciated.

Some of you may know that over the past year my health has not been good, and unfortunately it doesn't seem like there will be an improvement any time soon. Because of this I am stepping down as president of the Mid-America Woodcarvers Association. It has been a fun and interesting 5 years on the MAWA board. I've had the joy and privilege of meeting many extraordinary people and making so many good friends.

I know I will leave the club in good hands, and will do my best to facilitate the transition to a new president.

Again, thank you all,

Maria



Have a happy and safe 4th!

Are you ready for the
MAWA Woodcarving Experience @ Doane ?
Registration is still open...
SIGN UP NOW!!!!
July 24 — July 30, 2016

Members Show 'n Share

Thank you to everyone who brought projects to share with the club. It's inspiring to see what club members are doing each month.

All members are encouraged to bring their finished projects to share with the club at our meetings.



Larry Putnam



Judy Nygard
Doane 2015 Class



Vince Carado

Roger Nadrchal



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
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If you would like a membership card please include a self-addressed and stamped envelope with your application.

A Nick in Time.....first aid for woodcarvers

First of all, most of this will be unnecessary, as we all wear gloves right? Remember even with a glove, you can still get “poked” (more on that later), even if you don’t get sliced. Ok, we were asked to put a little something together as a “just in case”. We put together a basic first-aid kit, and donated it to the club. (Great, what do we do with all this stuff?) This article is not meant to be a medical tutorial, but more of a “uh-oh”, now what do we do?



Simple cuts: A simple cut could be described as a small cut, say to a finger. It isn’t very deep, bleeds a little then stops. Clean the area of the wound, apply pressure (if necessary) and once the bleeding has stopped, put on a really cool “Taz” or “Frozen” band-aid. Simple.....(I couldn’t resist)

Major cuts: Apply pressure immediately! If blood is “spurting” this indicates an artery is involved, and is a major UH-OH! If it’s a steady leakage, it likely is a vein. Still an UH-OH, but not as major. Have the person sit down, with the wound higher than the level of the heart (if possible). Keeping pressure applied, CALL 911, or transport to the ER! You will notice a theme here later.



Puncture wounds: The “poke” I spoke of earlier. Most puncture wounds in our environment should be small, since we all wear our gloves.....ahem. Clean the wound area, apply pressure and have ER or family doctor evaluate. Puncture wounds can be a little tricky, so let the Medicos handle them.

Let’s discuss the most common type of incidents at home, workplace or carving club, Slips, Trips and Falls (no finger pointing here.....) Slips usually occur because of slippery stuff where we are walking, e.g. water, ice etc. However, even in a minor slip, it is possible to pull a muscle, or cause other damage. Have the person sit down and check for movement ability. I call this a BFC, **body function check**..... If everything works without too much pain, put some ice on the affected area, then point and giggle. If there is severe pain, CALL 911 or transport to the ER (theme again).

A trip can be minor (point and giggle) or more serious, of the uh-oh variety. If someone trips, accomplish the same actions as above, but there may be other injuries (abrasions to the hands etc.). Abrasions should be cleaned and bandaged. Again, if there is more than minor pain, CALL 911 or transport to the ER. I hear an echo....



A fall can be very serious! Let’s face it, most of us are getting up there in years, and sometimes not as steady as we previously were. **DO NOT MOVE THE PERSON!** Remember my BFC from a previous paragraph? Ask if they can move their fingers and toes. If no, CALL 911! If fingers and toes are ok, move to bigger extremities such as wrists and feet. **GO SLOW!** If they can’t move them or there is severe pain, go back two steps and CALL 911! Work your way to the larger extremities slowly, checking for pain all the while. Lastly, check for head injuries. If a head injury is present, **STOP CALL 911!** Some head injuries can result in a concussion, which can be very dangerous.....no, I won’t say it. If at any point in your BFC the person describes numbness or extreme pain, CALL 911!

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Let's discuss diabetes. Some of our members, yours truly for example have this condition. Some folks don't like to talk about it, and that's fine. No HIPPA violations here! However, for those who may not be aware, blood sugar can be a tricky thing to deal with as well. For instance, LOW Blood Sugar can result in shaking, rapid heartbeat, sweating, dizziness, impaired vision and a few other signs. Most diabetics know how to handle the condition, but they may need help. In the first-aid kit are some diabetic glucose lozenges (candy). If you suspect low blood sugar you can give them one of these to dissolve in their mouth.

Signs of HIGH blood sugar include extreme thirst, dry skin, hunger, or nausea. If this is the case with someone who is a known diabetic, **CALL 911** or transport to the ER!

We're nearing the end of our journey into uh-ohs and reasons to call the pros (**911**).

F.A.S.T.

Our next topic is stroke. Major UH-OH!!! They are no fun to have or witness....no, don't ask. With a stroke, time is critical! Raise your hands and repeat after me, **FAST**. This little mnemonic device refers to **FACE**: look at their face. If one side is sagging or droopy, **IMMEDIATELY** have the person CHEW a regular aspirin. Yes, they taste nasty, but it can save a brain. **CALL 911!** **ARMS**: have the person raise their arms out to their sides. If one arm is higher than the other, see above, CHEW the aspirin. **CALL 911!** **SMILE**: Have the person smile for you. If one side smiles, but the other side doesn't....all together now CHEW the aspirin and **CALL 911!** **TONGUE**: Have the person stick out their tongue. If it sticks straight out, stick yours out at them too. If however, it goes to one side or the other, let's make a choir now, CHEW the aspirin and **CALL 911!** Some people add an extra "T" as in TIME. Remember, time is of the essence! Time lost can be brain function lost.



Now for the final and equally serious UH-OH, the Heart Attack, as it's commonly called. These are also no fun, again, don't ask. The classic heart attack symptom is chest pain. So, how do you know if your chest pain is from a heart attack, or last night's enchilada grande? You don't! Docs do! If in doubt, check it out! Other symptoms can include numbness in either arm, sudden onset of neck pain, jaw pain, or lower back pain. Better yet, some heart attacks are asymptomatic (whew big word), meaning **NO SYMPTOMS!** Isn't that just lovely? If you know you, or your spouse, carving buddy, or other friend has heart issues, and they "don't feel right", then transport or call 911! Again, one last time, CHEW the aspirin! Be sure to let either the EMTs or the Doc know that you gave them one.

Again, this is not meant to be an all-inclusive tutorial on first aid, just some things to think about. If you want to pursue this further, I highly recommend the Red Cross First Aid classes.

Ok, gloves – check! We will paint no carvings red.....

See Y'all

Steve and Cathy Reed



We want to hear from you!
Come teach a class, we love to work together!
Write an article, we will learn together!
Tell us a joke, we can laugh together!

CLUB NEWS

VIDEO

Watch this [Video from 2015 Woodcarving Experience @ Doane](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jMxujJx-Si0)

If you receive this by email, click on link above or copy/paste the following into your browser.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jMxujJx-Si0>

Library

We now have a very nice (and organized) pattern collection donated by Bob Driml. You may make photocopies of any of the patterns, then return them to the folder for use by other members. Also, if you have patterns that you would like to donate to this collection please bring them in.

MIDWEST WOODWORKERS ART IN WOOD 2016

Please join us at our booth at the Midwest Woodworkers show in August. Bring carvings that are completed and also bring an item or two that you can work on. Everyone loves to see us in action. Bring a chair, the tables and tent are provided. Come to 14605 Wright Street, Omaha, NE 68144 on August 27 from 9am-5pm. Sign up sheet will be at the next meeting or contact Larry Putnam (402) 679-1438 with any questions.

Clean-up

As of August 2016, we will no longer have our clean-up crew. There are 2 options. One option is if someone would like to earn some extra income, please contact one of the board members if you would like to clean up tables and floors after the meeting. Second option, if no one is hired that all of us will be responsible for cleaning up. We will have broom and dustpan available and you would clean up your own debris before you leave.

Some recent classes



2nd Day Of the Owl
class by Dean Paulsen



First Aid Class by Cathy Reed

Upcoming classes will be updated on Club calendar each month. (see page 6)

MAWA 2016 Club Calendar

July 2	4th of July Weekend NO Meeting
July 7-10	Woodlander's Gathering, Mineral Point, WI
July 16 - Club Meeting	Class: Mouse Looking over shelf by Steve Reed
July 24 - 30	MAWA Woodcarving Experience at Doane, Crete, NE
Aug. 6 - Club Meeting	Class: Outhouses by Ken Armsbury
Aug. 20 - Club Meeting	
August 27	Booth at Midwest Woodworkers (9AM – 5PM)
Sept. 3	Labor Day Weekend – NO Meeting
Sept. 17 - Club Meeting	
Oct. 1 - Club Meeting	
October 7-9	MAWA Fall Show & Sale, German American Society
Oct. 15 - Club Meeting	
Nov. 5 - Club Meeting	
Nov. 19 - Club Meeting	
Dec. 3 - Club Meeting	
Dec. 17 - Club Meeting	

This calendar is subject to change, information will be updated as needed. If you know of an upcoming carving event please let us know so we can include it on our calendar.

Don't forget! **Christmas** will be here before you know it!
Remember to make an extra ornament or two (or more!) for the
Fall Show Raffle!



News about the **Newsletter**

Send us your thoughts! Do you have a handy tip? Do you know of a Woodcarving event that's coming up? Do you have a **funny story**? Do you have a **question** about the club? Do you have a woodcarving item to **sell**? Do you have a good **woodcarving joke**?

A Board Meeting minutes column will be in the newsletter in the upcoming months as space allows.

Send your submissions to jnygard@cox.net or bring it to a club meeting.

For more club information go to our websites:

www.midamericawoodcarvers.com

www.thedoaneexperience.com

Registration Form

Mid-America Woodcarvers Association, Inc.

42nd ANNUAL FALL SHOW & SALE

GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIETY, INC 3717 S 120 Street Omaha, Nebraska

Friday, October 7, 2016 Set-up time 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM --- Competition Entry 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Saturday, October 8, 2016 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM --- Sunday, October 9, 2016 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Exhibitors will be responsible for providing the following items.
- Table Covering— this must cover the top as well as 3 sides to the floor. It must be a fabric or vinyl covering.
- Lighting and cords— need duck tape to tape cords to the floor.
- Carving will be allowed at the tables. (Talk and Demonstrate what you do.)
- **Vendors:** The Wood Craft Shop and Loess Hills Sawmill
- *Average table size is 8ft, but some tables will be no smaller than 6ft in length due to space.
- Displays may not be taken down before close of show: 4pm Sunday.
- German American Society will be supplying Food and Drink at a very affordable price.
- **LODGING:** Best Western, Motel 6, Super 8, Comfort Inn, La Quinta Inn and Travel Inn all located at the intersection of 108th and L street. East of I-680 on L street.
- **COMPETITION AND JUDGING:** The competition is open to dues-paying members of the Mid-America Woodcarving Association. No one is restricted from joining. Dues are \$20.00 (USA) per year and run from Jan.1 through Dec 31. Reserving a show table is required to enter completion.
- A packet will be provided with all Competition Rules, Entry Procedures and Show Information at sign in time. You may also check our web site for this information. www.midamericawoodcarvers.com

Questions: Contact Rich Wagner (402)218-7270 or at chipcarver@live.com—Paul King (402)991-2737

Larry Putnam (712)-328-8013 Tom Paskach (402)321-4784 Mike Hawkins (402)339-2148

Check out our website at: (midamericawoodcarvers.com) for more information.

Make all checks payable to: MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Send registration to: MAWA FALL SHOW AND SALE - PO BOX 540314 Omaha, NE 68154

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Please reserve _____ table (s) *space (s) with 2 chairs \$35.00 each. Non—members—\$55.00

Exhibitor _____ **Spouse** _____

Address _____ *If attending*

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____ **Phone(_____)**

Cell Phone # (_____) _____ **E-Mail** _____

Will you be sharing a table? Yes or No (Circle one) If yes please provide information:

Exhibitor _____ **Spouse** _____

Address _____ *If attending*

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____ **Phone(_____)**

Cell Phone # (_____) _____ **E-Mail** _____

Registration Total: \$_____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$_____

I/We certify that all wood projects and carvings to be exhibited by me/us are handmade or carved and are my/ our own work.

I/We certify that German American Society, the Mid-America Woodcarvers Association officers and members will not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury while I/We are at the show or otherwise.

Signature _____ Date _____ Check # _____

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