



# Mid-America Woodcarvers Association

## Newsletter

July 2017

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A Message from your President,



WOW, July 4 is here already and summer is upon us in full swing. July also means that the Doane Experience is only a few days away and this always excites me. I truly enjoy teaching new and returning students as well as renewing friendships with fellow carvers from around the country as well as Canada. It is not too late to enroll in one of our great classes and experience Doane for yourself. Go ahead, take the plunge and join us for a great, relaxing week of carving and fellowship.

As reported in my last letter we are considering and now moving ahead with short 2-3 day carving classes. We have arranged to have a 2 day class in conjunction with our Fall Show. The subject will be incised carving and incised chip carving with prominent carving instructor, Warren Rauscher from Missouri. Warren is a regular exhibitor at our fall shows and does some amazing work. You will find more information and a registration form elsewhere in this newsletter. Please join us in this class and help make our inaugural class become a success. We are sure that you will enjoy the opportunity to learn this fascinating style of carving.

We continue to work on making our Fall Show a successful event. We need all of you to take advantage of this opportunity to show off your latest creations and perhaps even sell something. The more of you who reserve a table the better and more successful our show will be. Help us to fill up all of the available tables. The weekend is always a fun time for all who participate.

Don't forget about our regular club meetings. Come and bring a friend. Also, come down during the Doane week and visit if you aren't already coming as a student. We love to have visitors as well as students.



Happy Carving  
Ken Armsbury

[For video of Doane 2016 click here.](#)

#### **Meetings:**

First & Third Saturdays of each month 9am - 1pm  
Augustana Lutheran Church 38th & Lafayette St., Omaha NE

For more club information go to our websites:

[www.midamericawoodcarvers.com](http://www.midamericawoodcarvers.com)

[www.thedoaneexperience.com](http://www.thedoaneexperience.com)

## Members Show 'n Share



These spoons were named incorrectly in the last newsletter. These were brought in by **Wade Waltermeyer**. It is showing the blank and the finished spoon that he will be teaching on July 1. We already have quite a few signed up. If you haven't signed up and would like to take this class, please notify us as soon as possible at [midamericawoodcarvers@midamericawoodcarvers.com](mailto:midamericawoodcarvers@midamericawoodcarvers.com)

Daniel O'Connell



Norm Minske

Vincent Corrado



Patti Papineau visited Omaha last summer and she came to our meeting and joined our club. While at the meeting she started carving this outhouse and recently finished it and wanted to share her project with the group that had been working on them with her. Great job, Patti.

**Back to Back events! What could be better? One trip and two great weeks!**

### Western & Wildlife Art Workshop

July 15-21, 2017 Doane University, Crete, NE

Contact Nancy Burke [ww12618@windstream.net](mailto:ww12618@windstream.net)

[www.westernwoodcarvers.com](http://www.westernwoodcarvers.com)



### MAWA Woodcarving Experience at Doane

July 23 - 29 Doane University, Crete NE

Contact Rohn Collins [midamericawoodcarvers@midamericawoodcarvers.com](mailto:midamericawoodcarvers@midamericawoodcarvers.com)

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# CLUB NEWS

## IMPORTANT TRAVEL INFORMATION FOR DOANE ATTENDEES

Highway 103 from I-80 to Crete will be **closed to through traffic**. Check out this link for detour info.

<http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/media/1724/detour-pleasant-dale.pdf>

## Are you a Doane Newbie?

There will be a meeting for all NEW Doane participants on Sunday afternoon. Look in the packet you receive for check-in for time and place.

We asked for tips from Doane alumni in the last newsletter. One of the suggestions was to bring a fitted sheet (twin size), but we have an additional great idea **from Gerold Chapman**: If you don't want to buy fitted sheets, you can find straps at Walmart that will attach to your Doane sheets. He said it will keep your sheet snug on the mattress all week long. Thanks, Gerold for the tip. Here's the link to find them.

<https://www.walmart.com/ip/Mainstays-Sheet-Straps/16677216>



## New fun for Doane.

If you were at Doane last year you saw the ribbons on the committee members badges. This year we will have a limited number of FUN sayings ribbons that you can purchase from the store. There are even some you might want to buy for a friend and SNEAK it onto their badge!



## FOR SALE:

Large amount of basswood for sale. 4 - 5 foot planks, 4 inches thick. Wood is located in Oklahoma. Contact Larry Elsasser at (402) 319-3803 for more information.



## FOR SALE:

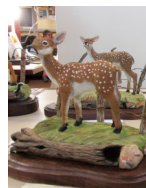
Lots of wood, basswood, butternut, and walnut in various sizes. Rough-outs are available. Ceramic figures to use as go-bys. Also, a DC720 Dust Collector for sale. All items are in Omaha. For more information, call Don Elsasser @ 402-733-8985.



## LAST CHANCE!

Time is running out, but you can still sign up for the Doane Woodcarving Experience.

These could be your carvings!



## MAWA 2017 Club Calendar

<b>July 1 - Club Meeting</b>	Spoon Class by Wade Waltermeyer
<b>July 15 - Club Meeting</b>	Board Meeting 8AM
<b>July 23 - July 29</b>	<b>MAWA WOODCARVING EXPERIENCE AT DOANE</b>
<b>August 5 Club Meeting</b>	WE NEED YOU! SIGN UP TO TEACH A CLASS OR DEMO A TECHNIQUE!
<b>August 19 Club Meeting</b>	Board Meeting 8AM
<b>August 26</b>	<b>7th Annual ART FAIR at Woodcraft of Omaha</b>
<b>Sept. 2 Club Meeting</b>	Small Bark House Class by Norm Minske
<b>Sept. 16 Club Meeting</b>	<b>CLUB PICNIC</b>
<b>Oct. 7 Club Meeting</b>	
<b>Oct. 21 Club Meeting</b>	Board Meeting 8AM
<b>Oct 26 - 27</b>	Warren Rauscher class on Incised Carving
<b>Oct 28 - Oct. 29</b>	<b>FALL SHOW (set-up and judging is Friday, Oct 27)</b>
<b>Nov. 4 Club Meeting</b>	Christmas Ornament by Steve Reed
<b>Nov. 18 Club Meeting</b>	Board Meeting 8AM
<b>Dec. 2 Club Meeting</b>	
<b>Dec. 16 Club Meeting</b>	Board Meeting 8AM

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.

**REMINDER:** If you are interested in Chip Carving, see Rich Wagner at the meetings and you can have hands on practice with a great chip carver.

### **A moment of silence.....**

As we welcome new members to our club, we must also at times acknowledge the passing of a dear member. Gary Paulsen of Fargo, ND passed away May 15, 2017. His talent will be missed and also his friendship.



## NEW MEMBERS

We would like to send out a **warm welcome** to NEW and returning members to our club.

Cheryl A Ginn

Louisville, KY

Art Hays

Clearwater, FL

### Classes in Progress:



Painting the Patriotic Bear  
by Dean Paulsen

Faces Class  
By  
Ken  
Armsbury



**Ken Jirele** gave an interesting and informative demo on sharpening your tools.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
P.O. BOX 540314, OMAHA, NE 68154

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If you would like a membership card please include a self-addressed and stamped envelope with your application.



## FALL SHOW

Even though we are just starting summer, you can still get your plans made for the Fall Show. Just click on this link to get your 2017 Registration Form. It's never too early.

[http://www.midamericawoodcarvers.com/files/Fall-Show-2017/Fall show registration 2017.pdf](http://www.midamericawoodcarvers.com/files/Fall-Show-2017/Fall_show_registration_2017.pdf)



Len Stenneche won our quarterly award. He received the \$25 gift certificate from Woodcraft of Omaha.

What did he have to do to win? All he had to do was attend our Omaha Saturday club meeting and SIGN IN. Easy? Maybe you could be our next quarterly winner.

## UPCOMING CLASS

The Lincoln Club is hosting a Relief Carving Class with John Engler on Nov. 10,11,12. Cost will be \$150 plus cost of your board. For more information, contact Dick Duba at 402-488-3512.

### Board Meeting Minutes recap May and June

Non-profit taxes have been filed. Last year 99.86% of each dollar was put back into the club activities. The corporation filing has been completed.

Doane deposit has been paid. Insurance for Doane has been paid and a copy has been sent to Doane.

We have paid for our place at the Art Fair at Woodcraft of Omaha (formerly Midwest Woodworkers) in August.

Subscriptions for both Chit Chats and Woodcarving Illustrated has been renewed.

Fall Show dates have been locked in. It will be Oct 19, 20, 21, 2018.

Monetary awards will be given for Best of Show and runner-up, Best of Open, Best of Advanced and Best of Non-Carved.

Cathy Reed is working on setting up our club picnic for Sept 16, 2017.

More tools have been ordered and we will have a few beginner sets available. We also discussed the upcoming 2 day class with Warren Rauscher. It will be in conjunction with the Fall Show.

Tom Paskach is compiling a list of all Woodcarving clubs within the Midwest area.

We will get an inventory of ribbons for Fall Show to see what needs to be ordered for this year. Also, would like to have a sign up sheet for name and email address and phone number for those who would like more info on our club.

There will be a Meritorious Service Award given out this year. Extra Mile awards will also be given out.

Board meetings will be at 8AM going forward.

## SO MANY QUESTIONS: (Watch for new questions each month)



Ever buy scissors? You need scissors to cut into the packaging of scissors! I still don't understand why there is Braille on drive up ATM's or why "abbreviated" is such a long word.

# Mid-America Woodcarvers Association Omaha, NE

October 26 & 27, 2017

**Warren Rauscher**  
Incised & Positive Image Carving

Warren began carving in 1994 and wanted to explore something different within chip carving. His incised carving method has brought him many awards in this style of carving. Warren gives a hands-on class in creating three dimensional pictures on a flat surface using only a knife.

## Class #1

Incised Carving Transcending into Free Form Chip Carving  
Cost \$110.00,  
All materials included.

## OR

## Class #2

Positive Image Chip Carving  
Cost \$110.00, Materials extra:  
Materials range \$10.00—\$35.00.

**Sign Up Today!**

Location of class will be announced at a later date.

Chip Carving Class  
MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
P.O. BOX 540314  
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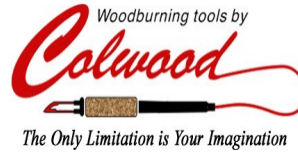
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