



# Mid-America Woodcarvers Association

## Newsletter

October 2017

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A Message from your President,

October has arrived and the bright colors of the fall leaves are almost upon us. It is time to get out the rakes and prepare the yard for the upcoming winter. Just think, that means you will have more time for woodcarving once that is done

I would like to take a moment and thank all of the club members who continue to participate in our Saturday meetings and classes. You are all helping to pump life into our organization. Please keep up the good work, and remember to invite a friend whom you haven't seen for a while and/or someone new who is interested in learning how to carve.

The work on the church is progressing well. The contractor told me that we will be able to continue our meetings as usual at the church. In fact, he said the job may be done by the time our October 7 meeting rolls around. This is great news!

With the coming of October our annual fall show is rapidly approaching. Get busy and finish all of your special projects so you can show them off and/or sell them. Table reservations are coming in but we can always use more. Let's fill up the hall to capacity and knock the ball out of the park with our participation. The show is vital for several reasons; one, it allows you, the members, the opportunity to show/sell your work as well as enter the competition. Two, it allows us to showcase all the fantastic things that can be carved which in turn attracts new woodcarvers to our club. So, come out in full force for the show.

Also, remember that we are having a chip carving class with Warren Rauscher on the Thursday and Friday before the show. We have guaranteed the class with carvers signing up, but we can still use more students. It is a great opportunity and the cost is only \$110, and that is a bargain.

By the way, we had a really good time at the picnic; good food, good fellowship, and a great carving class too. Thanks to all of you who came. If you didn't make it make plans for next year. A special thanks to Steve and Cathy Reed for organizing the whole event. You did a great job!

Blessings to all and,  
Happy Carving  
Ken Armsbury



#### **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)

# CLUB NEWS

## FALL SHOW 2017 CHALLENGE #2!

### YOU CAN DO IT!!

We need a successful raffle. How do we do that? With your help. We are looking for donations for the raffle. We would love to see some nice carvings as donation prizes. Look at your collection of carvings. Isn't there a carving that you would like to share with someone? You can also donate carving books, tools etc.

We also would like you to consider donating other items, such as gift cards, gift baskets or a gift a non-carver would love. Contact Tom Paskach, Paul King or Judy Nygard (phone numbers on page 1) if you have a donation for the raffle.



### Help support your club!

## HURRY AND SIGN UP—A CLASS YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS

INCISED CHIP CARVING OR POSITIVE IMAGE CHIP CARVING CLASSES. 2 day class with Warren Rauscher.

Registration is on Page 6. We need to see good participation in order to have more of these type of events. Learn something new and have a fun time this October. So send in your registration now!

**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.

## EMAIL INFO:

From time to time we will send out a group email when events come up or email reminders like the one sent out for the Fall Show registration. Since we have several states that are routinely represented at meetings or events, we have to send out an email to all our members. So disregard if you are WAY out of the local club region, but we welcome all of you who can make it to our local Omaha events.

**WEATHER NOTICE:** If school activities and church activities are being cancelled on a Saturday morning then our club meeting will be **cancelled**. Also, you can check the **KETV website** as we will be listed in the closings. If we send a group email about weather and you live in sunny Florida or Texas or California, just think of us kindly while the storm blows through. Hopefully we'll be sitting at home warm and cozy and carving!



**A NOTE FROM THE FALL SHOW COMMITTEE:** We have added an **Intermediate competition classification** for carvers who have won a blue ribbon in Novice and need to move to the next higher division.

## 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.

## MAWA 2017 Club Calendar

<b>Oct. 7</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	Zen leaf Class by Thad Tinder
<b>Oct. 21</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting 8AM</b> Icicle class by Rich Wagner
<b>Oct 26 - 27</b>		Warren Rauscher class on Incised Carving. Registration on Page 6.
<b>Oct 28 - Oct. 29</b>		<b>FALL SHOW</b> (set-up and judging is Friday, Oct 27)
<b>Nov. 4</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	Icicle class by Rich Wagner Christmas Ornament by Steve Reed
<b>Nov. 18</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting 8AM</b> Harbor Seal Class by Thad Tinder
<b>Dec. 2</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	Pierced Carving Class by Rich Wagner
<b>Dec. 16</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b>	<b>Board Meeting 8AM</b> Duck Letter Opener Class by Larry Gruit
<b>Feb 8, 9, 10, 11 2018</b>		<b>Gretna Retreat</b>

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.

### Notice about Saturday Classes:

We always have sign up sheets for upcoming classes at each meeting. But, what if you see a class in the Newsletter and you would like to attend but haven't signed up? You can contact jnygard@cox.net (or any of the board members listed on Page 1) and the instructor will then be notified.

This is very important as the instructor needs advance notice on how many supplies or rough-outs that he needs to bring. You don't want to show up for a class only to find out they have run out of the project. So please plan ahead and let us know!

### Please note:

The dues for **2018** have been increased to \$30 (family membership.) Please submit with the application below for new applications or renewals.

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

Complete this form and return it with your payment to the address above. **(\$30 per year)**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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



## Members Show 'n Share



Frank Yates



Dean Paulsen



Vince Corrado



Mary Adams

Rich Wagner



Noah Anderson

## Woodcraft Art Fair



These are just some of the volunteers that showed up for the Woodcraft Art Fair on August 26, 2017. Thanks to everyone who came out and helped promote our club that day. Early morning rain had us a little worried but the weather and crowd turned out great. If you didn't make it out this year, you should plan on helping out next year. It is a very enjoyable event.

## Cottonwood Bark Class by Norm Minske



Lots of fun at meetings when we have our members teaching classes.



Club goes on even through the construction at the church.

# FEATURED CARVER 2017

## DEAN PAULSEN



Come see his carvings at the  
MAWA Fall Show Oct 28 & 29th



German American Society  
Omaha, Nebraska

See more information on Page 7.

See you there!



More Of Dean's carvings can be seen at  
[http://www.midamericawoodcarvers.com/Fall\\_Show.html](http://www.midamericawoodcarvers.com/Fall_Show.html)

### Club Picnic September 16, 2017 At Camp Brewster in Bellevue, NE

Pumpkin House in Cottonwood Bark Class by Ken Armsbury



New members?



Show and Share and Garage Sale



Lots of food even after  
the hoard went through!

# 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!**

Classes will be held in the lower level of the German American Society. 8am-5pm both days.

Chip Carving Class  
MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
P.O. BOX 540314  
OMAHA, NE 68154

Complete this form and return it with your deposit of \$25 to the address above. (Deposit required . Nonrefundable after Oct. 12, 2017) Cash or check only.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Choose one class:

Class #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Class #2 \_\_\_\_\_

# Registration Form

## Mid-America Woodcarvers Association, Inc.

### 43<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL FALL SHOW & SALE

GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIETY, INC 3717 S 120<sup>TH</sup> Street Omaha, Nebraska

Friday, October 27, 2017 Set-up time 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM – Competition Entry 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Saturday, October 28, 2017 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM – Sunday, October 29, 2017 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 duct tape to tape cords to the floor.
- Carving will be allowed and encouraged at the tables. (Talk and Demonstrate what you do.)
- **VENDORS:** The Woodcraft Shop, Loess Hills Sawmill & Van Kelly Rough-outs.
- \* Average table size is 8ft, however, some tables will be no smaller than 6ft in length due to space.
- Displays may not be taken down before close of show: 4:00PM Sunday.
- German-American Society will be supplying Food and Drinks at a very affordable price.
- **LODGING:** Best Western, Comfort Inn, La Quinta Inn, Motel 6, Super8, and Travel Inn are all located at the intersection of 108<sup>th</sup> and “L” Street. (East of I-680 on “L” Street). **NOTE:** We have a block of rooms reserved at the **New Victorian Inn** on 108<sup>th</sup> and “L” St at a reduced rate. Call the hotel direct at (402)593-2380 and tell them you are with the carving show when making your reservations.
- **COMPETITION AND JUDGING:** The competition is open to all dues-paying members of the Mid-America Woodcarvers Association. No one is restricted from joining. Dues are \$20.00 (USA) per year and run from Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> through Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. Reserving a table is required to enter the competition.
- A packet will be provided with all Competition Rules, Entry Procedures and Show Information at sign in time
- Questions: Contact Tom Paskach (402)321-4784 or Paul King (402)991-2737.

**Check out our website at: [www.midamericawoodcarvers.com](http://www.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**

-----Cut and Return-----

Please reserve \_\_\_ table(s) \*space(s) with 2 chairs. \$40.00 each or \$35.00 each if you reserve 2 or more.

Exhibitor \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ (if attending)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_ (if attending)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

CellPhone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ 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, Inc. 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 # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_



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