

Mid-America Woodcarvers Association

NEWSLETTER

October 2013



Meetings and Open Carving - First and Third Saturdays 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Augustana Lutheran Church 38th and Lafayette St



FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Where did September go? It's already October and the fall show is only a few short days away. If you don't have a table yet you may want to hurry. I believe we may have a couple tables available. Too busy to get a table? Then make a few minutes to at least stop by and see the talent that will be there. You may also want to check out the vendors to stock up on all your carving supplies.

Rich Wagner has been doing an awesome job of planning and has made some much needed changes. In addition he has been busy mailing flyers and contacting local media. I look forward to another fantastic event.

The 2013 club project, Shawn Cipa's "Noah's Ark" is almost complete and we will be displaying all the hard work at the Fall Show. From what I have seen so far it amazing. We will post pictures when available.

Now I get to start feeling a little like Father Time at Thanksgiving. I realize that this the second to last newsletter I get to write as your president. For those of you that follow us, you realize my term(s) as the President is running out. It has been a very fast three years, and I have not regretted a moment. So, time for my recruiting message....

Are you interested in making a difference for the club? We are looking for nominations for the 2014 Board of directors. The positions available will include the recording and the president. We also have board positions available.

I hope you all have a Happy Halloween, and I hope to see you at the Annual Show.

Happy Carving

Rohn

Club Officers - **Rohn Collins** - President **Mary Ann Klinger** - 1st VP **PJ Driscoll** - 2nd VP

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You don't have a moment to Lose
If you are planning on get a table for the
FALL SHOW
IT IS TIME TO ACT NOW!!!!

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How do they tell how many board feet are in a log.

There are several methods but most folks use one of 3 log rules.

Doyle developed in 1825, Scribner developed in 1846, or International developed 1909.

When I buy logs I need to know how many board feet of wood a log will yield.

So I can use one of these rules to get a good idea how much wood is in a log

Sometimes mitigating factors like crooked logs, or taper, or bad spots alter the yield

As an example an 18" log 8' long should yield

98 board feet Doyle

108 Board feet Scribner

116 board feet International

Based off of Saw Log Volume calculator at <http://www.timberbuyer.net/sawlogbf.htm>

There may be a prize question based on this information in next months newsletter

For the 5 of you who participate ;)

Registration Form**Mid-America Woodcarvers Association, Inc. 38th ANNUAL FALL SHOW & SALE**

GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIETY, INC.

3717 S. 120th Street Omaha, Nebraska

Friday, October 11, 2013 Set-up time 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Competition Entry 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Saturday, October 12, 2013 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday, October 13, 2013 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Please reserve ____ table(s)* space(s) with 2 chairs - \$30.00 each. *Non-members -\$50.00.*Exhibitor: _____ Spouse Name: _____
If attending

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Will you be sharing a table? Yes or No (*circle one*) If Yes please provide the following information:Exhibitor: _____ Spouse Name: _____
If attending

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____

E-Mail Address: _____

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 fabric or vinyl covering.*Lighting and cords – *make sure you bring duct tape to tape cords to the floor.*

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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

Send registrations to: MAWA FALL SHOW AND SALE PO BOX 521 GRETNA, NE 68028

*Average table size is 8 feet, but a few tables will be no smaller than 6 feet in length due to space.

Questions contact :

Rich Wagner at (402) 895-1315 or chipcarver@live.com,

Mary Ann Klinger at (402) 453-2393

Still hot outside, and logs to saw, and still at it this time it is a little maple logs.



Maple Logs and the backsaver tractor



Maple shorty log although it was large diameter



I was hoping the log had spalted



Lots of color in these boards most cut 8/4



The spalted haul from the log in my kiln drying now

Interesting info on spalted wood can be found here

<http://ohiodnr.com/Forestry/Industry/tabid/5255/Default.aspx>

We have recently learned of the passing of Don Kramer. Cards may be sent to Alice Kramer, 141 Norton Ave, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503

Helen Weber was recently hospitalized and is now recuperating in a local therapy center. Cards of encouragement and well wishes may be sent to Helen at 8802 N 30th Street, Omaha, NE 68112. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

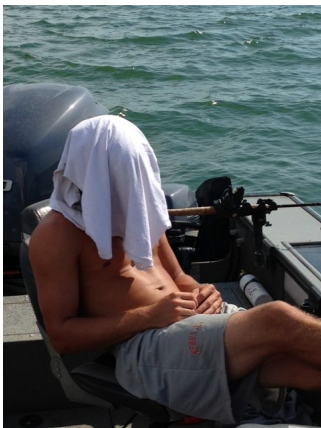
Doane Highlights

Check out our new website www.thedoaneexperience.com.

Start making plans for attending in 2014

How I spent my Summer, well at least one weekend of it.

I needed a break from sawing logs so I hit the road again



Ok I really didn't need a break I just like to fish sometimes. We fished lake Sharp in South Dakota and had a wonderful time catching walleye. We used Allen's guide service out of Chamberlain SD and they did a top notch job. My son was trying a new walleye strategy using camouflage to keep the walleye confused about why the minnow had a string and a shiney metal object hanging out of it. It must have worked since he caught the most fish. He didn't need to see the rods he could just sense when the fish were hitting his line. A Zen like presence in the boat. Now I need to learn how to cook walleye I guess.....

Attend the Fall Show

And play, guess where this wood is from, at the Loess Hills Sawmills booth
5 different blocks from 5 different areas see which one carves the best.

Or try your hand at identifying species of wood

12 samples of wood identify each type correctly and be entered to win something
Prizes may be awarded if I can figure out some sort of rules and come up with a way to
make it fun

If nothing else come to the fall show and see what I came up with

Now the pressure is on..... Are you up to the challenge ?

New Members

Steve Freilinger Omaha, NE

In the September Newsletter I had a board foot problem to solve

I had 5 responses



That was a little disappointing!!!!!!

The winner was John Nichol

The prize is a Mike Shipley knife with the
walnut handle

John email me and I will figure out how to get it to you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Gretna Woodcarvers Retreat

February 6th-10th

Gretna 4-H Camp

For more details check out their website <http://www.gretnawoodcarversretreat.com>

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A Parting Shot..... By George Bledsoe

Well I guess it is time for me to write something entertaining. Well lets see, what could I talk about this time? Well I guess I could expand, on the lack of responses to my little board foot question, but that might make me sound disappointed, I don't want that. I could talk about the Fall Show that is coming up, that I am looking forward to. I always enjoy visiting with everyone that attends and checking out all the projects. I could remind everyone that the club would appreciate your support by getting a table or if that isn't possible by stopping by and checking out all the goings on. I could talk about my adventures of walleye fishing but since a picture is worth a 1000 words, 2000 in my case I won't as I have included pictures. I should remind everyone to come to the Loesshills Sawmill table and check out whatever I come up with for a game and try your luck to win the big prize (that I haven't decided on yet).

I guess I will let you all know that on my latest adventure I ran into something that is soon to be headed this way. It wasn't very fun and I am not looking forward to it but it will be here all too soon.

So remember you heard it here first, I know I wasn't expecting it and was not thrilled to have to deal with it myself. So I guess since it is coming, whether I want it to or not, I will deal with it when it gets here. So until next time I will leave you with a picture from my last adventure.

See you all at the show.....George





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