



Club Information

Meetings/Workshops

First & Third Saturdays

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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Mid-America Woodcarvers

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Mid-America Woodcarvers Association, Inc

NEWSLETTER

Message from the President:

Sept 2012

Where has the summer gone? It feels like I was just writing information about the spring picnic, and now I am writing about the fall show. I guess that is what happens when we get busy.

Well Doane 2012 is officially over, except for the memories, and I think it was great. I had a chance to read the evaluations and everyone seemed very positive, except for the chairs in the dining room! I had to call Doane to ask what the change was since so many of you listed this on your evaluation. All the cafeteria chairs recently had the rubber feet replaced, which made them grip the floor tightly. This was done in the name of Safety. Oh well at least we did not slide all over the cafeteria. The Doane committee is currently working on 2013 and getting ready to line up the instructors. The dates for 2013 are July 28 thru August 3. Hope to see you there.

As always there is no break for the committees, Planning for the fall show is almost complete. We still have limited table spaces available if you want to attend. This year is shaping up to be a great show. If you are interested in getting, or sharing a table, contact Mary Ann Klinger at 402-453-2393 for more information. In addition, we are still looking for Ornaments to use on our Christmas tree this year. If you send us one, you could be the lucky winner of a \$50.00 gift card.

The Saturday meetings are going really well. It is always exciting to see so many members. The weekly classes are starting to be scheduled for fall. Keep watching the upcoming newsletter for information regarding our annual Christmas ornament carving class. Also, do you have ideas on what we should demonstrate, or suggestions for future classes? If so drop us an email and we will do our best to schedule a class.

Hope you are all busy carving.

Rohn

Have you reserved your table for the Fall Show?

We would really love to see you there.

Support Your Club and get a table.

It is easy and we really need your support!!!!

So reserve your table NOW!!!!!!!

Do you feel like doing something to help the Club ?

*We would love to have you carve something and donate it for the raffle at the
Fall show.*

I know that we have a lot of talented woodcarvers in the club

We would really appreciate it.

If your interested contact: Mary Ann Klinger

Doane 2012

The Thursday night Banquet and Auction.



If you don't see yourself in these pictures you missed a good time and a great meal.....
Doane 2013 registration begins in 5 months



Wanna make 50 Bucks?

Doing something you enjoy!!

And help out the Boy Scouts?

*It is really easy all you have to do is carve an ornament for the club
tree and you are entered in the drawing for a shot at the*

50 bucks

*You can bring your ornaments to Doane, or send them in, or bring
them to the fall show. The more you carve the better your chances*

So LETS get BUSY!!!!

How to enjoy the Fall Show and save Money
Find a fellow woodcarver to share a table with you
It lowers the cost to you and you will have someone's company to enjoy.
If you need help finding someone, talk to a board member and we will help you out.
It is the our clubs big show and it only happens once a year.

Don't Wait until its too late

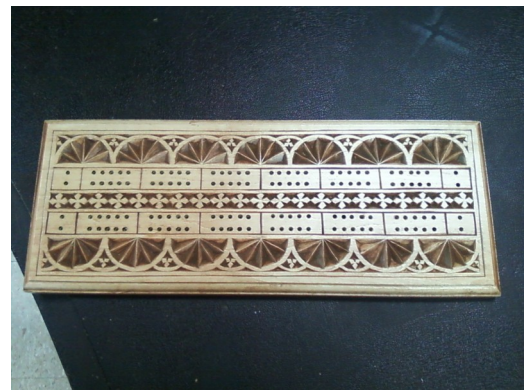
Register Now

Well I am sorry to have to say it but, Summer is coming to an end. So what can you do to pass the time until spring is here again. Come to a club meeting and enjoy some fellowship and see what folks have been up to.

Here is what you missed at the last meeting



Al Mcolley



Wayne Gildseth



Rich Wagner



Mike Hawley



Dean Paulsen

New Members

We would like to welcome all our new members, if you are able, please come to a club meeting..

<i>Tammie Ostrowski</i>	<i>Ashkum, IL</i>
<i>Ria Knight</i>	<i>Strawberry Point, Ia</i>
<i>Tom McMillion</i>	<i>Cedar Rapids, Ia</i>
<i>Joe Schumacher</i>	<i>Imperial, Mo</i>
<i>Leroy and Marilyn Slama</i>	<i>Amboy, MN</i>

I heard the EPA may begin a program to capture all bobcats, tag them, and paint them safety orange.
Seems they do not have the cat like reflexes that you always hear about
Hopefully the ride home was uneventful.....

Hopefully you bought the insurance!!!!

Upcoming Carving Opportunities

Mid-America Woodcarvers Association, Inc.
38th ANNUAL FALL SHOW & SALE
October 13th and 14th

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

**I just wanted to give a shout out to Dean Paulsen**

Dean submitted this carving to the 2012 International Woodcarvers Congress Show

He was awarded a first place and third place for mythical figures.
Congratulations Dean!!!!

Not sure the category is right tho....

Pretty sure this was the guy that delivered my Kubota last year!!!
Or at least that is what my wife told me.

Record High Roll in Farckle

Yes, you heard right I now have the record for the highest roll ever recorded at Doane. Don't believe me, I have witnesses, want to see if you can beat it. I will be at Doane next year to defend my crown so show up and test your luck.

Upcoming Club Carving Events

*Stop by a club meeting and see what we are currently up too
Enjoy Great fellowship
and a donut and a cup of coffee*

Each year we sponsor a portion of the Youth awards for the International Woodcarvers Show held in Maquoketa, Iowa this past June. We want to share some of the thanks we received from your future woodcarvers. It is because of all our members we are able to sponsor this important award.

“I’d like to thank you for your donation and support of the 2012 International Woodcarvers Congress Show. As a young competitor myself I hope to continue to do so, because it is greatly appreciated.”

Sincerley, Isabell M.

“Thank you for donating to the prize money. My trout took 2nd place overall. Thank you again.”

Warmly, Cooper B.

“I wanted to thank you for donating the money I received for a carving prize. Once again, thank you so so much.”

Signed, Libety W.

“Thank you for the award and prizes for my shark carving. It was fun to enter my shark and learning new things.”

Sincerely, Isaac S.

“It is so nice to have support from companies such as yours involved in this show! Thank you for continuing to support the congress show and woodcarving in general! We all have to do our part to see woodcarving continue to grow. Thank you so much.”

Signed, Josh G.

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Due to the over whelming outpouring of people (2) trying to guess the answer to my riddle. I am going to give you the answer.

If you were at Doane at the banquet you have already heard. My daughter Kathrine is getting married to Zac Reinecker in October.

I am beginning to wonder if anyone even reads the newsletter but someone did guess correctly and was rewarded the very sought after gift certificate for some fine quality carving stock.

Congratulations “Loretta Lynn” enjoy the wood!!!!!!

Worried about the Post Office stopping Saturday Delivery? Tired of running to the mailbox full of excitement only to be disappointed yet again when the newsletter isn't there. Want to be go green and be part of a paperless society? Well do I have a deal for you then!!!!!!

***Get it by email, you'll get the newsletter on the day it is released, and be able to see all the photos in full color. Send your name and address including email to:
midamericaewoodcarvers@midamericaewoodcarvers.com***

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

GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIETY, INC.
 3717 S. 120th Street Omaha, Nebraska
 Friday, October 12, 2012 Set-up time 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
 Competition Entry 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
 Saturday, October 13, 2012 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
 Sunday, October 14, 2012 10:00 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 2011 FALL SHOW AND SALE
 PO BOX 521
 GRETNA, NE 68028

*Average table size is 8 feet, but some tables will be no smaller than 6 feet in length due to space.
 If you have any questions contact Mary Ann Klinger at (402) 453-2393 or at gmklinger@cox.net

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
PO BOX 521
GRETNA, NE 68028-0521

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE # (____) _____ E-MAIL _____

(Check appropriate boxes)

Membership—\$20.00 per Family - Newsletter send by 3rd class mail (except) February -1st class mail

Membership Card - send SASE (Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope)

Detach and send applications, dues and SASE to Len Stenneche, PO Box 521, Gretna, NE 68028-0521

If you have any changes in your address, phone number or e-mail address contact:

LEN STENNECHE - 333 Paradise Drive - Gretna, NE 68028-7890 - (402) 332-3118 - ldstenneche@cox.net

A Parting Shot..... By George Bledsoe

I didn't have to do a newsletter for August which was nice, so I have a couple of things that I want to talk about now. First Doane was awesome I think this year was the best one so far. I took Kirt Curtis's class and did a black bear. It turned out great and my daughter asked if she could take it to college with her, which was cool. I got to see some old friends and made some new ones. I finally made it to the Bar and checked that out and had a pop with a few carvers there. I *let* Larry Yudis out bid me on a carving so he could feel good about himself ;) (That won't happen again Larry !!!!) I was even able to visit all of the other class rooms to see what folks were working on. I also managed to walk with a group of people several of the days, except one day when I was forced to walk alone "oh yeah you know who you are". I used to wonder why people were so interested in going to Doane to carve, I think I figured it out. It isn't really the carving, it is the relationships that you develop with other carvers that keep people coming back. In that same vein I wanted to take a minute and say something to one of those people I have met. I won't use the person's name but I have visited every year with them when they stopped by to look at wood. I never thought too much about it but I really did enjoy those visits, we talked about the weather and the crops and other just normal talk (people used to do that all the time when I was a kid). This year I saw that person and we spoke for just a minute or two. My friend is going through some tough health issues and told me a little bit about it. I wasn't sure what to say, I never am, but I said I will keep them in my prayers and I have and that I look forward to seeing them next year. Doane really is about the relationships that you make. It isn't always the destination in life so much as it is the journey. Doane was a great journey this year for me and I am looking forward to next year already. The next thing is the Fall show. I am not going to say much, only this, it is a good time and it is our club show so please participate. I will have some new spots (technical term) in the upcoming newsletters on sawing logs and drying wood. What makes good wood and properties of the different type of common carving wood. Hopefully you will find it interesting. I also am hoping to get some of the really great group of carvers that we have to maybe do a step by step article for the newsletter. I really enjoy those and you can follow along at home and carve the same piece. Hopefully I will see many of you at the Fall Show (hint hint) application on page 6 I just remembered one more thing: If you know John Krantz he was in the hospital recently. I emailed him and he is doing real good now but, I bet he would enjoy hearing from his many carving friends.

Talk to you next month

George



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