



Mid-America Woodcarvers Association

Newsletter

August 2016

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From the 1st Vice President:

First of all, I would like to recognize and thank Maria on the great job she has done in the last 5 years as Secretary and President. Those positions take a lot of work, dedication and personal time. When you don't feel well, all things become a task and sometimes overwhelming. I wash Maria well, and a big THANKS for all that she has done for the club.

So what happens now?! Well, as the by-laws read, the 1st Vice President will take on that position until an election is held. I will do that. In November the club will have its yearly elections. The positions that will come open this year are: President, 1st Vice President, Treasurer and two Board Members. I will not be running for President or any other position. There are some health issues that I have to deal with. We need members to step up and run for these positions.

The Fall Show committee has been busy setting dates and starting the local advertising. I really want to encourage all of you to consider getting one of the tables. We always have a good turnout and lots of fun. Show dates are Oct. 7-9, 2016. You can register on line at the club website.

Doane will be in full swing July 24 and it looks like a good time will be had by all. If you could not make it this year, please come and visit us at any time thru out the week, we'd love to have you. This year we will have an 'On Site Mobile Sharpening Van' there to service all your sharpening needs.

Thanks, Rich Wagner 1st VP



Old is when an "all-nighter" means not getting up to pee.

A doctor is the only man that can tell a woman to take off all her clothes and then send a bill to her husband!

For more club information go to our websites:

www.midamericawoodcarvers.com

www.thedoaneexperience.com

Workshop Instructors Wanted....for Saturday club meetings.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to teach carving classes at club meetings! We could use a few more instructors as the year progresses. At the next club meeting please let Larry Putnam know the date and type of class you would like to teach this year.

We will need the following information:

- Date you wish to teach the class
- Description of class project
- Cost of project
- Length of class -Carvers should be able to complete each project in one or two meetings
- Maximum number of students.!

Members Show 'n Share



Glen Fisher



Steve Reed

WIP Our members at work



Steve Reed's Mouse Class

CLUB NEWS

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.

Room Clean-up

As of August 2016, we will no longer have our clean-up crew. Do you know someone who would like to earn some extra cash? Let us know by August. If no one is hired then each of us will be responsible for our own area. We will have broom and dustpan available and you would clean up your own debris before you leave.

Board Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2016

Treasurers report: Ken Kult

More Doane applications coming in and also some cancelations

Maria will buy items for teacher survival bags

Doane

Everything is on track for Doane

July 20, walk-through of classrooms

Dorm rooms are assigned

Classrooms are being designated

Ken will check on trailer tags

Judy will check with photographer on sales of photographs taken at Doane

Fall Show

Meetings will begin again in August

Everything is on track

Larry Putnam will be taking over the Fall Show

New Business

July 16 is the last day for the cleaner for the meetings

Midwest Woodworkers Show Aug 27 9am-5pm

We will have 2 tents, Larry will bring buckets for tent weights, Steve will bring cinder blocks

Larry will bring 3 tables, Judy will bring a table, everyone bring their own chair

Bring items to carve and show

Maria will be stepping down as President after Doane. Rich will fill position until Nov elections

No Board Meeting was held in July.

Don't forget! **The FALL SHOW** will be here before you know it! Remember to make an ornament (or two) for the raffle.



SEENAGERS

By Denny Jackson

Okay, as a concerned citizen, you're probably asking yourself, "What's a seenager?" I believe that I am not alone when it comes to getting everything a teenager wants, only 60 years later. Now that I don't have grey hair, only wisdom highlights, I consider myself very wise. I am a senior teenager, hence, a seenager. I don't have to go to school or work, I get an allowance every month, I have my own pad, and no curfew, and I have my own car and an ID that gets me into bars and liquor stores. The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant, and I don't have acne. Life is good.

The only drawback to becoming a seenager is that you have to grow older to join the ranks, and certain responsibilities suddenly appear. Health and fitness rise to the top. Our conversations are now about medications and knee replacements, instead of kids and vacations. My approach to fitness hasn't changed much though. Basically, my mind set is, why do it now if it can be done later. I joined a support group for procrastinators, last year. We haven't met yet. I'm sure that if God had wanted me to touch my toes, he would have put them on my knees. Joining a gym seems to be the in thing to do. Well I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes five years in a row, and speaking of the gym, I have decided to stop calling the bathroom the "John" and renaming it the "Jim". I feel so much better telling people that I went to the Jim this morning. For now, jogging my memory and jumping to conclusions is enough exercise for me, because I have dropsy and heart trouble. Yup! I drop down in my recliner and don't have the heart to get up.

If you're not already a seenager, just remember, you soon will be.

Keep smiling.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
MID-AMERICA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. BOX 540314, OMAHA, NE 68114



Complete this form and return it with your payment to the address above. (\$20)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

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

MAWA 2016 Club Calendar

July 24 - 30	MAWA Woodcarving Experience at Doane, Crete, NE
Aug. 6 - Club Meeting	Class: Outhouse 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 3717 S 120th Street, Omaha, NE
Oct. 15 - Club Meeting	
Nov. 5 - Club Meeting	
Nov. 19 - Club Meeting	
Dec. 3 - Club Meeting	
Dec. 17 - Club Meeting	Ornament Exchange; Special Treat

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.

Hospitality

Just a reminder to our members to please contact Sandy Foral with information regarding club members who have passed, are ill and might need the support of the club, or have a HAPPY event they would like to share. You may reach her at (402) 553-3440

**Mid-America Woodcarvers Association
FALL SHOW
German American Society
3717 South 120th Street, Omaha, NE
October 8 & 9, 2016**

FEATURED CARVER ROBERT D. GREGORY



Bob has been carving for 14 years after getting a late start at the age of 71. As a self-taught carver, he has

experimented with various painting and carving techniques, such as using broken glass to shape his fish. All of his painting is done using artists' paint brushes. Bob & Vivian like to support other carving shows in the region and regularly display at 7 or 8 shows each year. Bob has won many awards, including several Best of Show honors at shows in a five state area. Although he has kept all of his award winners, he has sold nearly 600 carvings in lamps, clocks, shadow boxes, and on bases. Many people ask him why he carves fish. His answer is: "I love to fish, I collect antique fishing lures, and when I started carving, there was a shortage of fish carvers." Bob claims that every piece of basswood that he buys has a fish inside...he just has to find it.

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 # _____

For official use only

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