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MAY 2014 MEETING:

The May 13, 2014 meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. in the Vanderburgh County 4H center banquet hall. As normal the business meeting will run from 6:00 until 6:30. Steve Eli and Dan Aldredge will host a woodburning mini seminar after the business meeting. Dan will show how to use pyrography paper. There will be a minimal cost for the seminar to cover the cost of supplies. *(Please bring a pencil or red pen to transfer the design provided onto a piece of basswood. If you have a wood burner please bring it to this mini seminar but make sure the tips are marked so they do not get mixed up with others. If you do not have a wood burner, Steve and Dan will have some units that can be used.)

Thank you to Jeff Hancock for hosting last month's mini seminar "Carving a simple ball in cage".

SHOW:

The Club Show Committee had a meeting for 2014 on April 19. Our next meeting will be on May 17, 9:00 a.m. at Sisters.

Things are moving along on the 2014 show preparation. We are adding a youth category to the carving competition. Frank Burghy will be our bird carving judge this year.

INFORMATION:

The April meeting minutes are posted on the club web page. Thank you to Sister Anthony for publishing these for us. Please visit the club web page (address in the header of this document) for archived meeting minutes, seminar schedule, club history and other information.

2014 MEETING PROGRAMS:

We currently have the following commitments for monthly meeting programs in 2014:



May 13 – Steve Eli and

Dan Aldredge –

woodburning *

June 10 –

July 8 –

August 12 –

Sept. 9 – Marvin Daniels

Oct. 14 –

Oct. 25,26 – Show

Nov. 11 –

Dec. 9 – Christmas Party

Library:

Our library offers a limited supply of wood including some plates, blanks, and roughouts. If you would like to request any special size of wood or if you need help locating a certain kind of wood or rough out, please let me know and I can try to help you locate it.
Kathy

SEMINARS:

The current 2014 seminars include:

Stu Martin: (information on what Stu Martin carves and offers as seminars can be found at www.stumartin.com). Steve Oliver has Stu scheduled to do a seminar at Sister's after the Show. The cost will be \$130.00 for this seminar plus cost of rough out.

Steve Oliver will offer a seminar to carve realistic face profiles. Cost will be \$100.00.

The available dates for this seminar are;

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

May 16, 17 & 18

June 6, 7 & 8

July 18, 19 & 20

July 25, 26 & 27

Please let Steve Oliver know which dates work/don't work for you if you plan to attend this seminar.

AM SCRIBBLES :

I was looking for something for the Scribbles section this month when I noticed a bag full of basswood eggs laying on my work table. With just recently having watched a wave of children wash over a field of brightly colored Easter eggs the dye was set. The following are pictures of a few of the ideas that hatched from my scrambled up thought process. The elephant is not an original idea and is based on a carving that Floyd Rhadigan teaches. The rabbit was based on a ceramic rabbit figurine we picked up recently. I just had to lay his ears back and modify the design a hair for him to fit into the egg shape. If you find yourself brooding about what to carve next, just get crack'n and pick up a basswood egg of your own and see what hatches from your imagination while you are setting out on your poach.



OK, OK, egg-zactly what I was thinking I may have gone a hair too far down the rabbit hole for this scribbles..... It can fry an old hard boiled carver's sunny side up disposition trying to scratch up ideas sometimes.... It ain't over easy... or what it's cracked up to be..... Quiche, Omlett'n this go now...No I was not pickled when I wrote this... but it may have helped...

Going to put it to roost till next time.
One Rotten Egg

Last month Jeff Hancock's mini seminar was to carve a simple ball in a cage. Jeff advises he experienced unexpected benefits in doing a mini seminar. Jeff had previously completed numerous ball in cage carvings but learned more doing the research and getting ready for this seminar than he had previously.

When you finish a carving project take a minute or two to step back and consider what you could or would do differently if you carved another. You never know what variations you might come up with.



Bob Biermann presented a seminar at Sister Anthony's last month. The attendees carved their choice of in the round or relief projects from several selections. Bob also did a painting demonstration. Bob has developed a wet on wet stippling technique of painting and shading that turns out consistently impressive results.

Bob is thinking of retiring from teaching in the not so distant future, so if you did not make his seminar this time, please try to catch one soon.

The following is a picture from that seminar.

Jack Winkleman

