

NOVEMBER 14, 2023 MEETING:

We are planning to have our November 14, 2023 Club meeting in the 4H Fair Grounds Banquet Hall. We will have open carving and visiting starting at 3:30 pm, and the business meeting will start at 6:00 pm. Following the business meeting we will have our mini seminar. Jack will be leading us in the mini seminar tonight carving the Ross Orr Happy Christmas Gnome. Links to this pattern can be found on page 2. Thanks to Ron for last month's mini seminar carving Candy Corn. Great fun. Hope to see everyone there.

Please remember that if the Vanderburgh School System cancels school due to weather on the day we have a meeting scheduled, our meeting will be canceled as well.

MEETING MINUTES:

The October 2023 Meeting Minutes are posted on the Club web site. Please take the time to read and review these minutes before the meeting. Thank you to Robin for recording the minutes and to Neil for posting them.

SHOW:

A major thank you to everyone for making this year's Show a success. Special thanks to Jeff for stepping up at the last minute to be Show Chair and to Kathy for her coordination and advertising work.

MEETING PROGRAMS:

Nov. – Jack (Christmas Gnome)
Dec. – Christmas Party

SEMINARS:

Bethy and Rich will be in the area in 2024 and asked if our club would be interested in setting up a seminar with Rich. Details are.

- Each carver can choose to do wood carving or a clay project.
- It will be a 2 day seminar.
- The dates are April 5th and 6th 2024.



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- Cost will be \$170 per student plus the cost of roughout.

-- The people that have signed up so far are – Kathy, Robin, Jan, Jack, Alan, Roy, Kevin, Erv, Danny and possibly Steve.

-- If you are interested and have not signed up, please let Jack Winkleman know.

Be thinking about what else you might want to have available in 2024.

NEWBURGH:

Just a reminder that there is Thursday morning carving in Newburgh at the Kiwanis club building from 9 am to noon. Face coverings are not required if you have had your vaccination.

The address is 524 Filmore Street. If you go in to Newburgh from Evansville on the Lloyd you will turn right at Bell (or you can go all the way to State and turn right). Take Bell South until it T's into State. Turn right on State. Travel South on State until you get to Third. Turn right on Third. The Kiwanis building is two blocks down on the corner of Third and Filmore.

POWER CARVING:

Ken Alvey is still hosting power carving on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in trying power carving, contact Ken about time and space availability.

ORNAMENTS:

OK, give it a break for a bit. In 2024 we start over again so be thinking about what ornaments you want to carve for next year's Show.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS:

Strive to carve on something every day. I hope you will continue to support the Tri-State Woodcarvers Club as part of your personal woodcarving journey. As stated in the Club bylaws "The objective of this Club shall be to promote the art of woodcarving, and to provide activities for woodcarvers." I sincerely hope that we have, and continue to strive to fulfill this objective.

CLUB OFFICERS

We currently have nominees for each of the Club officer positions for the upcoming year. Per the Club Bylaws, October is the month the Club President sets a nominating committee to start looking for a slate of Club Officers for the upcoming year. To satisfy the requirements set forth in the bylaws, I had planned to ask some of you to serve on a nominating committee to see if anyone else is interested in holding a position as officer of our Club in 2024. That said, I have to apologize. I got wrapped up in the Show and did not set a nominating committee as planned. We will ask for nominations from the floor at the November meeting and proceed from there. The positions that are set forth in the Bylaws as one year terms and require elections are: 1) Club President, 2) Club Vice President, 3) Club Secretary, and 4) Club Treasurer. They are all one year terms. The positions of Club Show Chair, Club Librarian, and Club Historian are appointed by the Club President after each election.

The November meeting is when we hold elections to set the 2024 Officers.

I attached a copy of the Club Bylaws in last month's Newsletter.

THE WOODCHUCK BROTHERS WOODY AND CHUCK.

THEY WILL BE HOSTING NEW CARVING PATTERNS, BOOK REVIEWS, AND GENERAL WOOD CHUCKEN NONSENSE IN 2023:

Woody and Chuck are on strike in protest because I did not think to invite them to the Show. OOPs, once again!

HAPPY CHRISTMAS GNOME PATTERN INFO:

The pattern for this month's mini seminar can be found in the Woodcarving Illustrated Magazine, Holiday Issue 45, 2008- Pages 42 & 43.

Woodcarving also makes the article and pattern available on line at their web page.

[Happy Christmas Gnome - Woodcarving Illustrated.](#)

It is also available on their Facebook page posted September 25th of this year.



The pattern we will use is reduced from its original size so it will fit on a 2"x2" block of basswood.

**PICTURES FROM LAST MONTH'S SHOW
AND TELL:**



PICTURES FROM LAST MONTH'S MEETING:



PICTURES FROM THIS YEAR'S SHOW:









