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FEBRUARY 14, 2023 MEETING:

We are planning to have our February 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 go back to carving. Jan Wise will lead us in carving Pickle Expressions. Should be a dilly of a mini seminar. Big Thank You to Kathy for hosting last month's mini seminar.

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 January 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:

TBD.

MEETING PROGRAMS:

Feb.- Jan – Pickle Expressions
Mar. -
Apr. -
May – Robin - Woodburning
June -
July -
Aug. -
Sept. - Jan
Oct. -
Nov. –
Dec. – Christmas Party

Mark is working hard to fill out the slate of mini seminar presenters for the year. Please step up an offer to present if you can and be thinking about what programs, mini seminars and full seminars you would like to see presented / offered



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in 2023. Your Club officers have no idea what you are interested in if you do not speak up.

SEMINARS:

Read the above request please.

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 tees 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.

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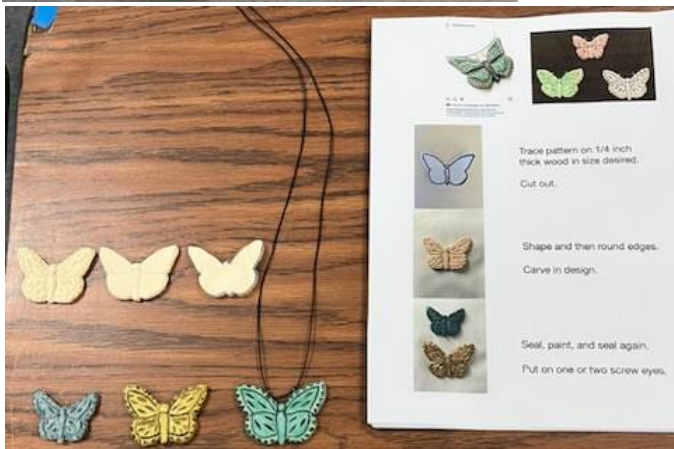
Yep, we will once again be asking for Club members to carve Christmas Tree ornaments for use as 2023 Show door prizes. We have new ornament blanks available, so grab several and make chips.

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.

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

Thanks Kathy for taking pictures.



**THE WOODCHUCK BROTHERS
WOODY AND CHUCK.**

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

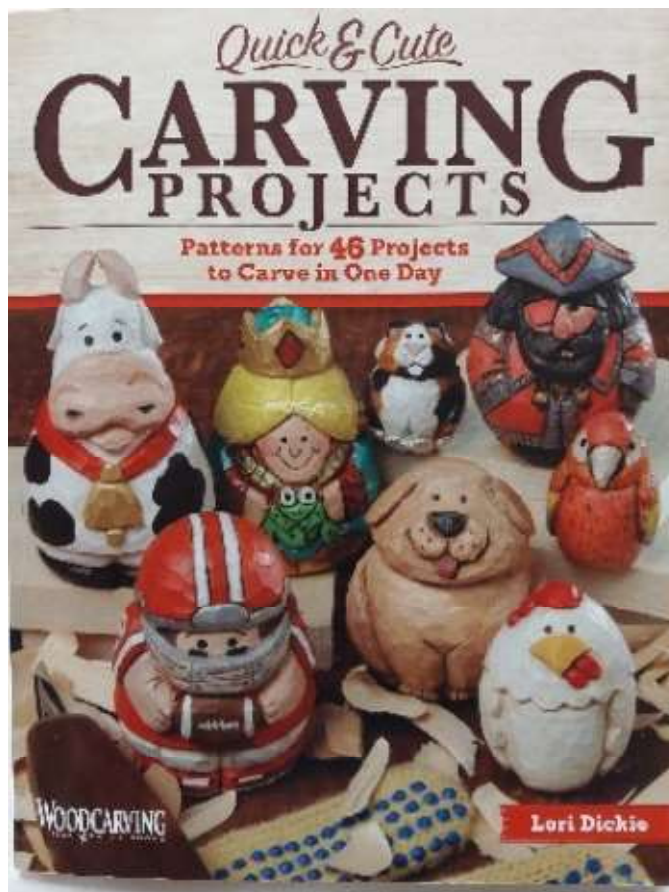


This month Woody and Chuck decided that with the cost of eggs going up it would be a great gig carving chickens. They logged into You Tube and found Ddalo Carver's video on carving chickens.... The rest, as they say, is history. The one of many things they did not take into considerations was that wooden chickens tend to lay wooden eggs. Go figure.... Each chicken, it turned out, had their own personality. There were sneaky ones, suspicious one, shy ones, loud squawky ones.... OH, lest we forget the extreme over achiever Henrietta. She started out with goose size wooden eggs then to top that she went on to an Ostridge size egg. The squawking in the hen house was so bad Woody and Chuck stole my ear plugs just to get some sanity time. What in the world are they going to do with all those wooden eggs????



Chuck to The Rescue!

Chuck went old school and foraged through my carving book library and found a few books focused on carving wooden eggs. Turns out there were several. So, Chuck chose 4 as likely starting points. Carving Egg Animals by Mary Finn, Carving Whimsical Birds by Laura Putnam Dunkle and Easy Weekend Carving Projects by Mina Toney



Chuck chose Quick & Cute Carving Projects by Lori Dickie and started reading. The book starts out with discussing the material of choice for projects included in the book, wooden eggs and wooden Santa blanks. It then touches on tools used, painting and finishing, then touches on carving safety. This is all in the first 8 pages, then the book transitions into carving instructions and patterns for the remainder of the 72 pages. All in all the book includes some 56 different patterns.

Chuck started on the very first project in the book and carved a little brown dog. He enjoyed the project so much he skipped ahead to the Holiday section and carved the little Valentines bear holding a heart.

With all of the Holidays coming up Chuck is pretty sure he can find a project for each of Henrietta's wooden eggs. Now if he can just convince her to lay some Santa shaped wooden blanks... That may take some convincing for sure.

Woody and Chuck want to wish everyone a **Happy Valentine's Day!**

