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AUGUST 2021 MEETING:

We are planning to have the August 10, 2021 meeting in the 4H Fair Grounds Banquet Hall. We will have open carving starting at 3:30 pm for anyone that is interested. The meeting will be at 6:00 pm. The business portion of the meeting will last about 30 minutes. Our mini seminar time will focus on finishing up carvings you may have started in mini seminars held earlier this year.

Bring your unfinished carving and we will have someone work with you to get to that next step. In addition, Steve Eli has offered to help anyone that needs help with a pyrography project or that might want help in getting started painting a project from one of the earlier mini seminars, (BYOP (Bring Your Own Paints)).

A huge thank you to Ron Tucker for last month's mini seminar instructing us on how to carve a spoon.

At our last meeting we decided, based on the vaccination availability status and the guidelines then, we would leave the wearing of masks up to the individual Club member. **That said, numbers have continued to go the wrong way since last meeting. Please watch current numbers, conditions and guidelines and please wear a face covering if conditions warrant. DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL.**

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.

Dues for 2021 are still \$20. If you have not paid yours, please see Jon Gunnels. The Club now accepts most major credit cards. The Club 2021 roster is set.

MEETING MINUTES:

The July Meeting Minutes are posted on the Club web site. Please take the time to read and



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review these minutes before this upcoming meeting. Thank you to Robin for recording the minutes and to Neil for posting them.

SHOW:

We were not successful in scheduling a food truck for this year's show. If you are going to have a table, please plan to either bring a brown bag lunch with you or have

someone monitor your table while you go out for lunch.

Jeff Hancock has scheduled a Show Committee meeting for 5:30 pm before the August meeting in the Banquet Hall. Reminder - Jeff Hancock reserved the Vanderburgh County 4H Center Banquet Hall for the Club's 2021 Show on October 23 & 24, 2021. We will be able to set up on the evening of the 22nd.

HALF POT:

Jon Gunnels reports that the IN Gaming Commission has approved our application for the 1/2 Pot drawing on Oct 24, 2021 during our annual Show and Sell. Tickets have been ordered

Tickets and pricing information will be available soon.

MEETING PROGRAMS:

Our current meeting schedule and mini seminar schedule include the following.

September – Kathy – TBD

October – Jack – TBD Please let me know if there is a specific project you would like me to offer. We will also set the Club officer nominating committee this month.

November – Robin – Pyrography project (Club officers will be elected tonight.)

December – Club Christmas Party.

SPECIAL:

We want to wish a very special Happy 100th Birthday to Bob Johnson on August 7. Bob now lives in Virginia but will always be a part of Tri-State Woodcarvers.

**SEMINARS:**

We have an opportunity to have a seminar taught by Rich Wetherbee (a member of the Caricature Carvers of America) on the weekend of October 9 & 10. So far, we have the minimum 8 people signed up in order to hold this seminar. The seminar would be your choice of carving from one of Rich's roughouts, or a clay class both taught by Rich. Rich is willing to do both clay and carving on the same weekend. The student has to choose one or the other. Cost is \$170 for the 2 days plus the cost of roughout (\$25 to \$33 depending on the roughout you choose) or clay (\$18 per pound). I have already committed the club to sponsoring this event. Ken Alvey has offered his studio to host the event. I have sent out invites to the Belleville IL and Mt. Vernon IL carvers in an effort to finish filling out the class to its maximum of 12 students. If you are a club member and would like to attend but the cost of the class is a problem contact Jack Winkleman. We have options to help with the seminar cost. Anonymous, no questions asked or judgements made.

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.

This last week we had a lady bring her granddaughter in to see the process of woodcarving and to talk with woodcarvers. She and her grandmother were so impressed that they plan to come back next week and bring two brothers and a cousin to see the process and talk with woodcarvers. It is always a special win when we can share our art with a new generation. Thank you to all of the Thursday morning carvers.

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.

ORNAMENTS:

Please continue to carve Christmas ornaments for the 2021 show as time and materials permit. There are ornament cutouts available in the Club Library. See Ben if you have trouble finding what you need.

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.

Please continue to practice social distancing, and stay safe through this health challenge we are currently experiencing.

SCRIBBLES:

PICTURES FROM THE JULY SHOW & TELL AND MINI SEMINAR:



