

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 MEETING:

We are planning to have our September 10, 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. Marvin will be leading us in the mini seminar tonight carving an outhouse. Thank you to Jan for last month's mini seminar carving Santa in a Chimney. 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 August 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:

The 2023 Show dates are set for October 28 and 29. Browns will be here this year as our tool vendor. The Woodturners will be back with us this year. We plan to have wood from Moore Roughouts to sell at the show again this year. Jeff Hancock is our 2023 Show Chairman. Kathy will have Show flyers available at this month's meeting. Jeff will have table reservation forms available or you can also go to the Club Web page and download a copy of the form. Please plan to have your table reservations in by the October meeting. Jeff plans to have updated date stickers for the yard signs and banners available at this meeting so please plan to pick yours up and get ready to put out your yard signs and banners. Jeff will have more details for us at our meeting.

Right after the meeting this month, we will be placing the order for wood to be sold at the Show as well as for any roughouts Club members may want. If you have not already done so, please let Jack Winkleman know what roughouts you want or any special wood sizes you may need.



1985-2023
88 Years of Woodcarving

MEETING PROGRAMS:

Sept. - Marvin
Oct. – Ron Tucker
Nov. –
Dec. – Christmas Party

SEMINARS:

Be thinking about what you 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:

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.

Remembering Bob Koressel, Club Historian, Club Memorial Plaque custodian, Carver and Friend.



Robert L. "Bob" Koressel, 91, of Evansville, passed away on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 with his loving family by his side.

Bob was born August 6, 1932 in Evansville to the late Raymond and Julie (Hartman) Koressel. Bob was a 1950 graduate of Memorial High School, where he played football. He was an active, devoted member of St. Boniface Catholic Church and in 2002 was inducted in the Brute` Society of the Diocese of Evansville for his service to the church. He was widely known as the St. Boniface historian and lead tours of the St. Boniface Grotto for many years. Bob worked as an industrial engineer for thirty years at Bucyrus Erie and later at

the City of Evansville Water Department for ten years before retiring. Bob was a professional wood carver and a member of the Tri-State Woodcarvers. He created thousands of hand-crafted carved pieces and ornaments, many of which were given to friends and family members. Bob was a founding member of Twin Towers and a 4th degree Knight in the Knights of Columbus. He also served his country as a veteran of the United States Army on the Alpine Survival Team in Europe. He participated in the Honor Flight in 2017. While in the Army he also played football and boxed on the Army boxing team. Bob loved his family dearly and enjoyed attending his grandchildren's and great grandchildren's sporting events.

Surviving Bob are his wife, Carolyn (Siemers) Koressel; daughters, Debbie (Ralph) Schickel and Donna (Jeff) Martin; son, Michael (Rendie) Koressel; a sister, Carolyn Wenzel; seven grandchildren, Shane (Shannon) Schickel, Kevin (Sherida) Schickel, Melanie (Bob) Johnson, Brian Koressel, Scott (Ashli) Koressel, Natalie (Cody) Lee and Lauren Martin; fifteen great grandchildren and one great great grandchild. Also surviving Bob are six stepchildren, Keith (Peggy) Little, Lisa (Bruce) Wilsman, Karen (her partner, Doug) Hunt, Jeff Little, Greg Little and Steve Little, fourteen step grandchildren and nineteen step great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his first wife, Dolores (Pate) Koressel in 2000; by two brothers, Charles and Ralph Koressel and a stepson, Kevin Little.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Monday, August 28, 2023 at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Rev. Christopher Droste and Rev. Lowell Will officiating. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 1:00 until 6:00 PM on Sunday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street, where there will be a memorial service conducted by the church at 5:00 PM. Friends may also visit with the family from 9:30 AM until service time on Monday at St. Boniface Catholic Church, 418 N. Wabash Ave, Evansville, IN 47712.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Boniface Catholic Church, c/o St. Boniface Parish Office, 1626 Glendale Ave, Evansville, IN 47712 for the beatification of St. Boniface Church and the Grotto that Bob loved so much.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

PICTURES FROM LAST MONTH'S SHOW AND TELL:



PICTURES FROM LAST MONTH'S MEETING:



**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 wanted to know if there wasn't some upcoming carving activities in our area. Turns out there is. The Block Bash is coming up at French Lick. The Kunstfest is that same weekend in New Harmony. Then there is a Harvest Craft Fair at Harmony State Park. Details follow.

BLOCK BASH 2023
SEPT. 15-17 FRENCH LICK, IN

Bear Hollow Wood Carvers
Live Chainsaw Carving

Friday	12pm - 8pm
Saturday	10am - 8pm
Sunday	10am - 3pm

See the top chainsaw artists in the county!

CARVINGS TO BE AUCTIONED
SAT. 5PM & SUN 3PM

Artist Market Place
Local Artists Demonstrating & Selling

Friday	12 pm - 7pm
Saturday	11am - 7pm
Sunday	11am - 5pm

Food Trucks
Serving up hot eats & treats.

Friday	12 pm - 7pm
Saturday	10am - 7pm
Sunday	10am - 5pm

Entertainment Tent

Friday:
Overdrive 8pm - 12am

Saturday:
Birdland Blues 1pm - 4pm
Indy Annie's 7pm - 9pm
That 90s Band 9pm - 12am

Sunday:
Paradise Band 12 - 3pm

Team Sandlatic returns to sculpt another 25-ton sand sculpture on site!

Beer Garden

Friday	12pm - 12am
Saturday	12pm - 12am
Sunday	12pm - 6pm

Appearances by The Monkey Man

Wine Garden
Hosted by the French Lick Winery

Saturday	11am - 7pm
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For more information contact:
Bear Hollow Wood Carvers
812.836.3030 or BearHollowWoodCarvers.com

For visitor information visit:
www.visitfrenchlickwestbaden.com

“Kunst” means “art” in German, and you can expect to see a lot of it. Artists from across the region will sell and showcase their creations. With so many unique pieces, you’re sure to find something you’ll love! Add “fest” – short for festival. Kunstfest is a fun, German festival with art, entertainment, food, and learning opportunities, too!

Arts, Crafts, Antiques and More

At Kunstfest, vendors line the streets, showcasing art, gifts, antiques, crafts, and more on **Saturday 9am-5pm** and **Sunday 9am-4pm**.

Many of the local storefronts will also be open with special promotions during the festival.

Festival Food

Be sure to come hungry! We plan to have all of your German favorites — bratwurst, kraut balls, kuchen, apple cider, chicken and dumplings, German potato salad, brain sandwiches, fried bologna, ice cream, kettle corn and more! New Harmony also has delightful restaurants, bars, and a coffee shop that will be open during the weekend. Plus, there will be a beer garden at Black Lodge Coffee Roasters!

Entertainment

Events include musical performances of many types. You will hear dulcimer players, blue grass tunes, a few polka selections and some German Folk Music genres. Plus, there will be music Friday evening on the Patio at the Red Geranium.

On Saturday evening, don't miss the Biggest Liar's Contest at the Murphy Auditorium, a tradition for more than 25 years. Perhaps you want to sign up in advance to compete yourself as a master prevaricator! There are also children's activities at the family stage at Maclure Square, and more!

One of the most popular attractions at Kunstfest is the group of historical craft demonstrations. Each year, children stand in awe as they watch experts demonstrate blacksmithing, rope making, pottery, weaving, spinning and more. Some of these creations will be available for sale, and demonstrators will be present to explain the art of each craft to audiences.

KUNSTFEST 2023

Sep 16 @ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm CDT

The third weekend in September is the time for New Harmony's largest and most anticipated event of the year—**Kunstfest!** This celebration of German heritage and art is one of the biggest of its kind in Indiana.

This year, Kunstfest will take place Saturday, September 16, 2023 and Sunday, September 17, 2023.

What is Kunstfest?

Harvest Craft Fair, Harmonie State Park

By [Department of Natural Resources](#)

Saturday, September 30, 2023 9am to 4pm