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President's Message

I KNEW THIS WAS GOING TO BE A GOOD DAY...

When we moved into our home, over forty years ago, we would see wildlife quite often. As the neighborhood built up around us, sightings diminished to songbirds, hummingbirds and squirrels. Low and behold, on this particular day, (it happened to be my birthday), as Barb and I were enjoying breakfast, a beautiful doe greeted us as it meandered through our yard. We hadn't had that happen for several years, so I took this to be a special birthday treat. Now, I'm not superstitious or a believer in "signs," or "close encounters", but what the heck...I'll take it.

Another interesting thing happened this morning. I get daily quotations in my email. Today, the quote was by the legendary basketball coach, John Wooden: "Do not let what you can't do interfere with what you can do."

Even though we can't get together yet for normal Club Meetings or dinners, keep on chipping. Call a couple fellow carvers and enjoy making chips together. You might even enjoy the company of fellow Capitol Woodcarvers at a Friday outdoor lunch. See info in this newsletter and updates on the website: capitolwoodcarvers.org.

Be safe, stay healthy and by all means...

Stay Chipper,

Don Fromherz

Virtual Show

Coming Back Strong - Virtual Show

Due to popularity and demand, the "Coming Back Strong" Virtual Show has been extended through 2021. Congratulations carvers; your work is well appreciated. See the show, <https://capitolwoodcarvers.org>

Meet Kathie Dalton

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Kathie, her parents and uncles, went on a "Carousel" studio tour led by Bill Mills. Bill has inspired many new carvers and Kathie is one of them. She began carving and joined Capitol Woodcarvers in 2013.

Kathie has an art minor. She loves and appreciates art, but never felt "artistic". Those who know her and have seen her work would disagree.

Kathie likes carving animals and fun caricatures. She is a very active supporter of the Capitol Woodcarvers Club. Her other activities include: spending time with friends, her dogs, doing paper crafting, and listening to music.

Capitol Woodcarvers appreciates the work Kathie does as the overseer of the Club's Face Book page. She is always posting current and interesting articles about our Club and woodcarving in general.

Presently, her employment is with the State of Oregon. Prior to moving back to Oregon from Texas, she worked in marketing, and would like to return to that.

Kathie's family consists of her mother, a brother, a sister, and several nieces and nephews.

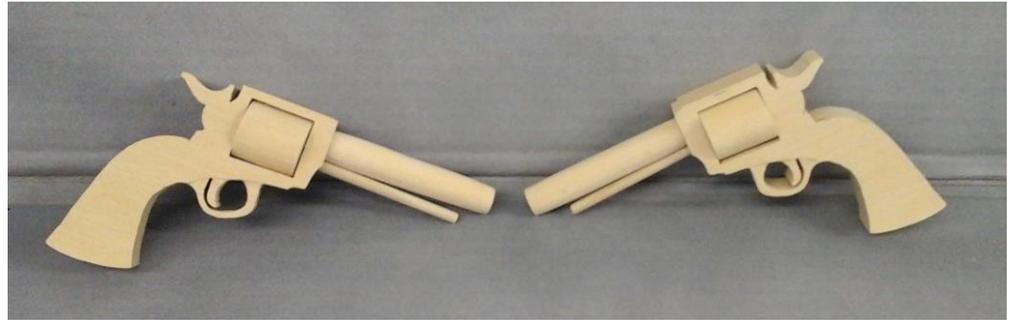
Friday Lunches

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The next Friday lunch will be at Woodmansee Park, 4629 Sunnyside Rd SE. Park information and directions are at: <https://www.cityofsalem.net/woodmansee-park>. We will be trying other parks throughout the summer. See you Friday June 11 at 12:00. Don't forget to bring lunch and a chair.

What We've Been Working On - Al Copeland

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Al Copeland is well recognized for his beautiful fish carvings. His attention to detail and accuracy make his realistic carvings stand out at all shows in which he participates.

Occasionally Al steps out of the box and carves something totally unexpected. He is currently working on these handguns. His goal is to create realistic representations of these classic items. As with his fish carvings, Al is focused on detail.

Great work Al; we are eagerly awaiting the finished products.

Thinking Christmas

Start Thinking Christmas



Is it Summer already? Almost late to get started carving all those handmade Christmas gifts and ornaments for the family! You've heard of the missionaries who would stage Summertime Christmas celebrations at churches across the USA. They would then collect donations of clothing, medications, and nonperishable food stuffs; load them onto sailing vessels, and sail them to their outposts in time for Christmas in December.

Carvers are much the same. Santas start rolling out during the lazy Summer months. We've all heard of

Frank Campbell's legendary ornament making for his grandchildren's classrooms. That does not happen overnight. Donna Cereghino burns sets of beautiful coasters and fun caricatures start popping out of the woodwork.(pun intended,

ouch). Why, I even know of relatives who have asked for carved sculptures. Has anyone reading this heard of the sister of one of our Carvers who is STILL waiting patiently for her holiday fish carving?

So, put on the Christmas Carols, have a hot toddy if you're so inclined, and start those holiday gifts.... Before it's too late!

Article Submitted by Barb Fromherz

Chris Hammack Class

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Everett Koontz hosted a Chris Hammack class recently in his studio. The class was well attended by Capitol Woodcarvers members. Kelley Kirsh shared these photos from the class.



Attendees had a great time, produced outstanding carvings and can't wait for the next class. Everett often hosts classes so if you would like to participate in an upcoming please let him know that you would like to be notified and get on the list to attend.

Status Report on Regular Club Events

Our Club and our members have a history of being very active but this past year has negatively impacted just about everything we do. Many Club members have been asking the status of events such as our participation in local fairs, Christmas ornament sales, annual picnic and more. We continue to hope to be able to get back to normal soon but changing restrictions and guidance, and venue and schedule uncertainty are having a huge impact on planning and implementation.

Hopefully the following list of events and the status of our participation and involvement will answer some of the questions being asked. We know there is still a lot of uncertainty but we are working to pin down exactly how the Club will be involved in these events.

- **Marion County Fair:** The Marion County Fair is scheduled for July 9 – 11, 2021. This is a shortened schedule and not all events will take place. The Club has not been contacted by the Fair regarding their intent of hosting our, or similar, Club booths this year. In previous years we manned a booth for the full week of the Fair but with the shortened schedule and reduced time to plan, it is uncertain whether we will be participating or not.
- **State Fair:** We may participate in the State Fair: Jack Dalton is our liaison with the Fair organizers and he is awaiting further information. Our Club has participated in this Fair for several years and it is a good venue for advertising our Club. As soon as we hear from the Fair management we will let you know the status of our participation.
- **Oregon Rendezvous:** The Oregon Rendezvous may take place if COVID restrictions are lifted such that Canyon View Camp is able to accommodate this event. This Rendezvous, overseen and organized by Everett Koontz, has always been a great event where Club members and others could meet, share experience, and generally enjoy each other's company.
- **Everett Koontz Studio Monday Morning Carving:** This carving session is open. Attendees are happy to meet and carve. The studio is large enough to allow some distancing.

- **Club Meetings:** Business meetings will resume the last Tuesday of the month as soon as restrictions permit. We have asked the Center50+ to advise us as to when they will reopen to host our monthly business meetings. It will be nice to have these resume.
- **August Picnic in the Park:** We may have it. We are waiting further information. If Center50+ is open, we may have a regular meeting instead. We will let members know soon whether or not this event will take place.
- **Keizer Art Association Gallery Show:** We will participate in this show if KAA opens. This event was very popular with the public and it successfully introduced woodcarving to many who were not even aware of the art of woodcarving. This show will take place during the month of October if it proceeds.
- **Polk County Ornament Sale:** Probable, but is dependent on the Polk County Fairgrounds opening and the restrictions, if any, put in place by the organizers. Our Club always showed well at this event and it serves as a good fundraiser for the Club. Members who donate ornaments are much appreciated and a big THANK YOU goes out to all of you.
- **Carving Class:** Jim Harris is teaching woodcarving at Center50+ Wednesday mornings 10AM-12PM. Registration is through the Center50+ website.

Changing of the Guard

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Several of our Board members have served longer than a standard term in their respective position. It is time for Club members to nominate and vote in a new Board. Positions needing to be filled include President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. If you are interested in taking over one of these positions or nominating someone for a position please contact the Nominating Committee, Terry Moss or Denis Miller.

It is a rewarding experience to serve on the Board. New Board members will have the post-pandemic challenge of rebuilding the Club, reinstating Club events, and planning Club activities.

Please consider becoming a Board member.

**Pictures from
the Past**

Years Pre-COVID (Better Times from the Past)



We hope to be announcing events and activities we will soon be able to participate in. These old images bring back memories of better times for our Club.

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