



# CAPITOL WOODCARVERS

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NEWSLETTER

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## **President's Message**

Spring is in full bloom and I'm enjoying the warm weather.

Thank you, Donna Miller, for the presentation on painting eyes at our April meeting. It was a very informative presentation. I can't even describe all the yummy treats provided. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27. Denis Miller will be hosting a spoon carve-along, so remember your knife. Treats will be provided by Donna/John Cereghino and Barb/Don Fromherz.

Karen Bennett has stepped up to be the chairperson for our 2026 annual show. We also formed a membership/retention committee, which will be chaired by Nadine Romero. This committee will discuss and implement ways to encourage new membership and to provide incentives for continued membership. Anyone interested in joining this committee please come to its 1st meeting at Keizer Art Association on May 15 at 12:00 pm.

The Keizer Riverwalk Art Fair will be held May 16/17/18. We will have a booth at the event. Please let Bob Curtis know if you are interested in showing or selling your work. Please try to attend. Hope to see you there.

Sarah Lynch

## 2026 Club Show

## Capitol Woodcarvers 2026 Club Show

Initial planning is on its way. Karen Bennet will be heading up the new show committee and member participation is invited and encouraged. This annual event is a highlight for our club and visitors are always impressed with the carvings on display.

It is not too early to let Karen know at [capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com](mailto:capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com) of your interest in committee participation.



## 2025 Oregon Woodcarvers Rendezvous

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The Oregon Woodcarvers Rendezvous has been an ongoing well attended and successful event for many years thanks to the oversight and management provided by Everett Koontz. Everett is unable to participate as in the past. Thank you Everett for the many years of making this event the success and fun it has been.

The 2025 Oregon Woodcarvers Rendezvous is fast approaching. Dates for the rendezvous are September 4th at noon through September 7th at noon.

Donna Miller is overseeing this year's event and is currently seeking instructors and volunteers.

If you would like to: teach a class; help organize; solicit vendor participation; advertise; facilitate the raffle; encourage participation; setup/teardown; oversee

demos; etc. please let Donna know at [capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com](mailto:capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com).

If you can not participate in the planning and other operational activities of the Rendezvous, plan on attending as a participant. As a participant you will have opportunities to attend classes/demos, purchase tools/supplies, interact with other carvers, and have a good time.



## **Club Growth and Promotion**

### **Club Promotion and Membership Growth**

Capitol Woodcarvers has created a committee headed up by Nadine Romaro to increase club membership. The committee is seeking assistance from members to

identify and participate in activities to attract new members and grow our club.

One of the first areas of focus for the committee is to increase the visibility of our club in the community. Visibility is currently achieved through participation in the Oregon State Fair, hosting an annual Art Found in Wood Show at Keizer Art Association, hosting a table at the Coastal Carvers Show, and the Club's Annual Show at Center50+.

The committee has identified and initiated club participation in additional events starting with hosting a booth at the annual Riverwalk Art Fair at Keizer Rapids Park. This event attracts artists and art lovers, many of whom are interested in the art of woodcarving.

Participation in the Riverwalk Art Fair was decided on short notice and help is needed. This event is scheduled for May 16, 17, 18. Volunteers are needed to sit at our booth 10:00AM – 6:00PM May 16, 17 and 10AM – 3:00PM May 18. Please let us know at [capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com](mailto:capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com) if you can sit at the booth during any of these times. You can bring carvings to display and/or sell during the time you are manning the booth.

The goal is to increase membership and improve club/carving visibility throughout the community. Your help and participation are needed.



If you are unable to commit to a specific time to man the Fair booth, we are encouraging carvers to informally gather at our booth any time during the Fair to

participate in an ongoing informal carving session each day during the Fair's open hours. Bring a chair, tools, and a carving to work on and enjoy the comradery.

The committee would appreciate and welcome to hear about any additional ideas you may have to increase membership and improve club visibility.



## Lunch Schedule

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Before each session many carvers get together to enjoy each other's company at lunch. Please join us

Thank you to Joe Perez for scheduling these lunches.

5/9/2025	The Yard (food trucks), 4106 State St, Salem
5/16/2025	Olive Garden, 1302 Lancaster Dr. NE, Salem
5/23/2025	Garibaldi's (Mexican), 1151 Lancaster Dr. NE, Salem
5/30/2025	Lum Yuen, 3190 Portland Rd. NE, Salem
6/6/2025	Best Little Roadhouse, 1145 Commercial St SE, Salem

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