

1st Thursday of each month

7:00 PM Meeting time

**April 2011**



<http://www.jrcarvers.com>

**James River Woodcarvers'  
Association**

## James River Woodcarver Competition

**CARVING COMPETITION.....**The big day, MAY 7, 2011, is fast approaching. Get all those carvings finished and entries submitted. Entry forms, rules and categories can be found on the club's website, Woodcraft's website or in the store. The show and competition will again be held in conjunction with the woodturning competition, so let's get out those carvings.

**DEMONSTRATIONS.....**The classroom has been reserved for demonstrations during the day. Let's share our knowledge and experience with those attending the show. This is a club event, so we do need participation from all our members.

### President's Corner By Wayne Thornton

It's that time of year again when we have our annual competition. Please enter as many items as you can. This is an opportunity for us to showcase the club, the store and our individual selves as woodcarvers. The more entries we have, the bigger the show; the bigger the show the more likely everyone will benefit. I personally will be entering things that don't hold much for winning, but I am proud of my efforts and want to support the club. There are entry forms in the filing cabinet at Woodcraft. Please pick one up on Thursday. Hopefully, we will have forms available on the website soon. Please let us know if you know of anybody who would be a good judge of carvings.

The James River Woodcarvers have been asked to demonstrate at the Arbor Day Festival being held at the Byrd Park Carillion, April 16<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am to 2 pm. They really want us there and are providing us a space for free. We are looking for people to come out and display their work, carve a bit and really talk up the club. Linda Garthaffner is heading this up so please speak with her

about lending a hand. Thank you in advance.

Club elections will be held at the annual picnic at Tom and Daphne Lasser's house in May. Be thinking about who you want to serve as officers for the next year. All of our current officers could use a rest and or volunteers to help with their duties. Kathy Overcash has volunteered to sort and list all of the clubs materials in the closet. This is a big task; if you find yourself with some free time speak with her to see what you can do to help.

I have heard some positive and some negative comments about the change of meeting nights. I would like to discuss this at the next meeting to see if another change to the third Saturday workshop morning/afternoon might work better. If you will not be able to attend the next meeting I would still like to hear from you. Either call me at 690-3405 or email me your thoughts. The goal is to be accessible as possible to club members to yield the greatest number of participants. I hope to see everyone at the next meeting and be sure to invite a friend.

# What Your Editor Did On Vacation & I Needed A Filler



Played with Dolphins, took my sister-in-law, Glory, cause hubby pooped out at the last minute (fell down the stairs, did it again while I was gone, fell off the porch into the trash cans while writing this, building a ramp) *Grandbaby on Board*



Ran up some Mayan pyramids, fell on some Mayan ruins, spent money to help the local economy by getting wooden things, swan with the fishes on the Belize reef, ate conch fritters and other sea-food, and found woodworkers in Key West and other stops.



## SHOW & TELL



Kathy Overcash  
And not one bark House



Linda, Paul & Wayne.  
Guess which one Linda did?



## Club Stuff

**Carving Blanks:** Merv is adding some croaking frog blanks to the collection (icicles, potbellied bear, shelf mice, shelf wizard) of wood blanks for sale. The cost for these blanks will be as priced on the bags. Price of the blanks is the cost of wood and any printed material. If anyone wants a particular blank cut out please contact Merv (320-4416) or at [merinwa@gmail.com](mailto:merinwa@gmail.com).

**For Sale:** The club has JRWC **club patches** for sale. They are \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members. Patches will be in the file cabinet along with the carving blanks.

**Publicize Club:** We are trying to publicize the availability of JRWC to existing and new carvers and have created a club flier and card that can be handed out at events or left in select locations for anyone interested to pick up. If you have any ideas on how to promote club membership, please contact Wayne Thornton, Merv Warner or Tom Lasser.

**Photos of your work:** Missed the Thursday meeting? Send photo (solid background) to Merv & Betsy to get them into the newsletter & web site. No cropping & big as possible is best.

**Nametags:** Please remember to wear you nametags at all club functions. This will help new members and those with poor memories like mine to get to know each other better.

**Show and Tell:** Each month at our Thursday night meeting (**1st Thursday of the month**) we have show and tell of work you have recently completed. Bring it in and at the end of "show & tell" we draw from the participants for a \$10 gift card to the *Woodcraft store* (9862 West Broad Street).

## Club Officers 2010 - 2011

<b>President</b>	–	Wayne Thornton
<b>Vice President</b>	–	Tom Lasser
<b>Treasurer</b>	–	Paul Pettesch
<b>Workshop Chairman</b>	–	Linda Garthaffner
<b>Program Chairman</b>	–	Fran Hazelwood
<b>Carving Competition Chairman</b>	–	Tom Lasser
<b>Newsletter Editor</b>	-	Betsy Mack
<b>Website Manager</b>	-	Merv Warner

**Membership Dues:** Dues (*\$15 / year*) can be given to Paul Pettesch or Wayne Thornton. They can also be mailed to Paul at 15519 Hampton Crest Terrace, Chesterfield, VA, 23832.

**Thursday Carving:** For those carvers arriving first on Thursday, please help set up the tables and chairs if they are not already set up. The tables are located in the closet across the hall. We meet at 11:45 to set up the tables and go to lunch at 12:00. All are welcome to come join us; we are back by 1:00 for carving. 1:00PM to 4:00PM.

**Saturday Workshops:** Held at Woodcraft on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Members: \$5 minimum + cost of materials. Non-members: \$20 minimum + material cost. Register first please before showing up. Limited space in some workshops. Linda 539-8399.

**Newsletter Entries:** If you have a carving tip to share with fellow carvers, or a newsletter entry (250 words max and no embedded photos; send photos separately as attachments) please send it to [bcmack@comcast.net](mailto:bcmack@comcast.net) for publication in a future newsletter. *Must be received by 22nd of each month to make the current newsletter.*

## 2011 Thursday Programs and Saturday Workshops

### 1st Thursday's Programs 7:00 PM

APR— **Painting @ Sue Jordon**

MAY—Carving Competition

JUNE— Wood Spirits— John G. ???

JULY— Open Carving

AUGUST—Open Carving

### 3rd Saturday's Workshops 9:00AM

APR — **None**

MAY— Picnic

JUNE— Wood Spirits @ John G ???

JULY—Open Carving

AUGUST—Open Carving

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY

April 7

## Events, For Sale & Other Things

**For Sale: Cottonwood Bark:** Fran Hazelwood has a **new** supply of cottonwood bark for sale. If your interested in buying some, be sure and talk to her at the Thursday night meeting or during Thursday carving.

**April 16: Arbor Day Demo:** at Carillons Park. We have a 10 x10 space with power. Rain or Shine. Contact Linda G as space is limited. No Selling will be allowed. No April Workshop either.

**April 29 –May 1:** 41st Ward World Championship Wildfowl Carving Competition and Art Festival at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center in Ocean City, MD.

**May 21:** Picnic at Tom L place in Ashland. Election of new and old officers will be held too.

**May 7:** Carving Competition @ Woodcraft Store. Demonstrators are needed.

**New Members:** Welcome Anthony & Matt Rhyne, Amy Miller, Fern Frost

**Members out with health issues :**

Margaret Leith

Joe Thomas

Denis Greaney

Berkeley Campbell

Give them a call and see if you can help a fellow carver. Need a phone list—email Betsy or Paul

**Ray Deyo offers a 10% discount to club members on our meeting night only. You must show your membership card to be eligible**