

1st Thursday of each month

7:00 PM Meeting time

August 2011



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James River Woodcarvers' Association

Little People with Kathy Overcash

Wow, what a turn out for a Thursday night club meeting without any food in sight. We started on the little people which will be finished on Saturday. Kathy promises to bring more blanks for those who gave up their paid extras for the late comers. Another great hand-out for the little people by Kathy. Take notes you future demo-ers! By Saturday Rollie had finished 3 little people. He made them a bit longer in the legs so they can fill in the passenger car he is building for his train set. Only 15 more to go.



President's Corner By Wayne Thornton

Hello Carvers,

We had a fantastic turn out for our Thursday night meeting. We had over 20 participants carving little people with many more club members joining in conversation and tutelage. Let's keep that momentum for our August Thursday night meeting. We will be working on a shelf elf. (*Bring a knife, "V" tool and 1/4 inch gouge with a sweep of 3, 4 or 7*) This will be a free project for club members. Please contact either Merv 320-4416 or Wayne 690-3405 in advance so we can have enough blanks prepared. We should have a few extra, but call and we will make sure we have one for you. We will have a brief meeting at 6:30 so we can get right to carving. Show up when you can and your fellow carvers can get you up to speed.

We are fortunate to have Linda Garthaffner leading our Saturday workshop in wood burning. There will be a few extra burners available for people to try their hand at this exciting side of carving. There is a \$5.00 workshop fee and a \$2.00 materials fee with this class. It is always great to have club members lead classes. The cost will never equal the time, energy, thought and expense that goes into each and every workshop.

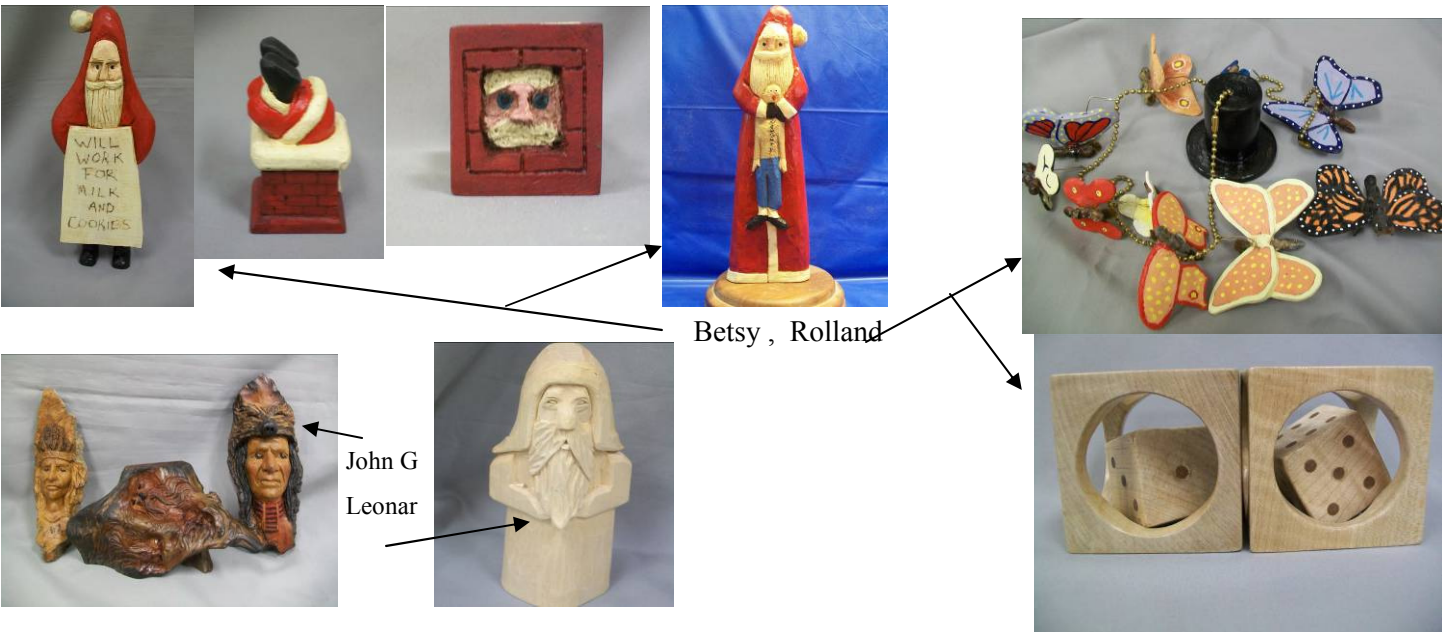
A special thank you to Kathy Overcash for her efforts last month's project. She led the club on Thursday night (see above), Saturday workshop and she even came back on Sunday to help people finish up. I hope to see a few of the finished pieces at the next meeting.

SATURDAY WORKSHOP



When little people go bad.

SHOW & TELL



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 mervinwa@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

President	–	Wayne Thornton
Vice President	–	Tom Lasser
Treasurer	–	Paul Pettesch
Workshop Chairman	–	Linda Garthaffner

Program Chairman	–	Fran Hazelwood
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Carving Competition Chairman	–	Tom Lasser
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Newsletter Editor	-	Betsy Mack
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Website Manager	-	Kathy Overcash
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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 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

AUGUST—Shelf Elf with Merv

SEPT—TBA

OCT—Green Wood Stool –Fred Dye

NOV—TBA

DEC—Christmas Party

3rd Saturday's Workshops 9:00AM

AUGUST—Woodburning– Linda G

SEPT16-18—Field days of past ??

OCT—Chickens with Calvin

NOV– Bob & Brent???

DEC—No workshop

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

THURSDAY

AUGUST 4

Events, For Sale & Other Things

For Sale: Cottonwood Bark: Fran Hazelwood has a 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.

New Members: Robert Walker, Gina & Evan Clark
Lucky Evan, he got to sit next to John G for personal attention.

Back after medical problems:

Pam Pope

Dennis & Shirley plus grandson

Thursday Program Project: Shelf Elf with Merv

If you don't get email (12 of you folks), call Merv (320-4416) or Wayne (673-4949) if you plan on coming to the program. (*Bring a knife, "V" tool and 1/4 inch gouge with a sweep of 3,4 or 7*) We need to know how many elf packs to make. One pack is free for attending members. You can buy extras before the end of the meeting \$4.

Carving Ball & Claw Foot: Kaare Lofthiem: Sept 23-25 , \$95 . Good price for a professional carver. You can always learn something new from these guys.

Wayne Shinlever: Oct 28 & 30 \$155 + blank.

Field days –Sept 16, 17. 18 no cooked food this year, but stove provided to cook your own. 3 days of fun. Sign up with Linda.

State Fair : we hope to get 2 days this year

Chesterfield County: Still working on it

Oct: NVA Carving, Turning, Scroll saw Competition

Carving a Shelf Elf

Carved by Allen Goodman
Written by Robert Wilson



The Shelf Elf Gallery

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