Dayton Carvers Guild May, 2025

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Mr. Stearns here plays his newsletter keyboard like a violin.

May Program: Relief Carving by Dick Belcher

There is lots of chatter on how to carve at our meetings. The May program will be a primer on relief carving - everything from wood selection, grain orientation, layout, setting levels in a relief and the carving of it – whatever might be your question. We have many members who are pretty good relief carvers so, if we can just get them to talk, it should be a great program and discussion.

Who we are.

We, The Dayton Carvers Guild, are wood carving enthusiasts. Some are experts and some are beginners.

Carvers and folks who might be interested in carving are invited to come to our meetings.

At a typical meeting we start with Show and Tell. Serendipitous encounters with other carvers spark creativity. We break for coffee and cookies and then have a program. It might be a "how to" demonstration or a presentation of something related to carving. Ideas flow.

If you have questions, please see our website, you may email to the address above or call Marshall Stearns at (937) 837-0728.

Meeting Instructions:

Park in the front or in the nearby parking lot. Enter the United Rehabilitation Services building through the front door, the door that faces to the south. It's the door where all the buses and vans are parked. From there bear left. If you are late and encounter a locked door, press the buzzer on a carved stand.

We are to clean up the chips, put tables and chairs back, and depart prior to 8:30.

Next Dayton Carvers Guild Meeting: Tuesday, May 27th. The club meetings are at 6:30 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday of the month except there is none in December. We meet at United Rehabilitation Services Building, 4710 Troy Pike (corner of Needmore Road), Dayton, Ohio.

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May Cookie Contributors: Sandy Czajka and Bruce Henn

Ray Kunz Passes

Ray was a key member of the Dayton Carvers Guild, a good friend of everyone and he contributed greatly to the carving world. He passed on April 16th.

Remember the Buckeye Woodcarvers Roundup

It's lots of classes, it's not expensive, it's lots of carving fun and pretty good food.

This year there is something new. Terry Borger is organizing non-carving craft projects for kids and adults. So, if you have someone who would like to come but doesn't carve, bring them along.

The Buckeye Woodcarvers Roundup for 2025 will run from July 16th through the 19th. Mark your calendar.

It happened in the April Meeting

Julie Escabar (not sure of spelling) contacted the Dayton Carvers. Her sister, Karen Zukowitz, had passed away and she had been a carver in Yellow Springs. "Would the Dayton Carvers Guild like to have some of her carving things?" Yes.

At the April meeting we had a big box of her carving "stuff." It got distributed to the folks who were there. The scene looked like hungry dogs at a food bowl.

More generally, the April meeting, a carve in, was mostly talk, which is a good meeting. Lots of questions and answeres were exchanged. That's what a carving club is for.

Carvers Luncheon at Marion's

The carvers meet every month for lunch at Marion's Piazza. Join us for a double round of psychophysiological therapy.

We lunch at noon on the first Wednesday of the month. The site is Marion's Piazza North, 3443 North Dixie Drive in Dayton. You can call in your order ahead of time. 937 277-6553. Seniors get a discount but not on the special.

Chip Carving at Woodcraft of Dayton

On Saturday, April 26^{th,} I gave a chip carving demonstration. Seven people attended it. It was fun to do. Should you members want to do that, tell me (Marshall Stearns) and I'll give you some information. Woodcraft would be glad to have you.



The April Show & Tell





The winner of the Show & Tell drawing was Rich Richardson. Rich chose a tape measure from the treasure chest.

The Club Library Materials

In May we will continue raffling off materials in the club library. The May items will be:

- COLONIAL BIRDS, Official State Birds of the Thirteen Original Colonies, Patterns for wood carvers and whittlers, Illustrations by Charles Beiderman.
- Carving Characters with Jim Maxwell.
- Audubon's Wildlife, A New Look at the Birds and Animals by Edwin Way Teale. Hardbound 256 pages.
- MAKING WOOD DECOYS by Patrick Spielman. It includes eye sizes and colors.
- MAKING ROCKING HORSES By Anthony Dew.
- <u>Carving a Bull Fighter and the Bull</u> by Ballo Rebora.
- <u>THE ART OF WOOD BURNING</u> by Bob Ferris.
- Woodcarving Techniques & Projects by James B. Johnstone and staff.
- <u>LET'S CARVE WOODEN PLAQUES</u> by Harold L. and Elaine Enlow.
- Scroll Saw Civil War Portraits, 58 Historic
 Patterns to Commemorate the Blue and the
 Gray by Gary Browning.
- <u>Build Your Own SHOP JIGS & FIXTURES</u> from WOOD MAGAZINE.
- <u>CARVING REALISTIC BIRDS</u> by H. D. Green. A Step-by-Step Manual with Full-Size Patterns.
- <u>Teachers' Choice, Carve along with 12</u>
 <u>different teacher each sharing a unique</u>
 <u>project</u>. 4 beginner projects, 4 intermediate
 and 4 advanced.
- <u>Carving HORSE PORTRAITS In Relief</u> by Kurt Koch.
- FISH CARVING Basics HOW TO PAINT by Curtis J. Badger.