



Mid Summer 2014 Abbreviated Newsletter

2014 Club Officers

President - Bill Briggs, briggs4@tampabay.rr.com

Vice President - Ron Golly, (updated email address in process)

Treasurer - Chuck Harrison, chuckfl@tampabay.rr.com

Secretary – Glad McCurtain, gladmccurtain@gmail.com

Directors: Joe Lutz, John Roush

No Meetings during Summer Months

Tuesday morning carving sessions through August: 8:30—11am, \$2

Club Member Richard Samay Featured in Largo Leader (May 29)



Richard, who maintains the club's web site, volunteers approximately 40 hours each week as a Lead on the Maintenance Team at Heritage Village. He was featured in a recent *Largo Leader* article by Bob Costigan, who wrote the following: His wife Jan, also a club member, as well their daughter and two grandchildren volunteer there. Richard deals with woodworking and restoration in caring for the 29+ historical structures in the Village. His group make efforts to preserve and maintain the correct historical and architectural makeup of the structures. Whatever the project Bob and his team believe in taking their time both to preserve the historical accuracy and to insure safety. Heritage Village is always looking for volunteers. Some members of our club carve there on Wednesdays and Thursday. However there are other days available. Samay notes that while he enjoys his work at the Village, he particularly likes helping preserve the history of Pinellas County. Bob is also a member of the St. Petersburg Woodworking Guild.

Summer Coming and Goings

Let us know what you are doing this summer. It's good to see Holly Roush during the summer on Tuesdays as she enjoys her summer break from school teaching. On a recent trip to Tennessee, Judy Wolf heard a familiar voiceover her shoulder—that of Philip Moldenhauer on his way north for the summer. When Glad McCurtain spends time this summer in Blowing Rock, NC, she will join Tuesday morning carving sessions of the Wataugua Woodcarving group. She will share tips from our Suncoast Woodcarvers and bring back carving ideas from the North Carolina group. The Tuesday morning carvers number approximately 15.

A Wellness Check



It was great to see Bill Dewald at the last Tuesday morning carving session. Recently he spent a few hours under medical care when he took his wife Ann to the hospital. Ann is still in

rehab. They both remain in our thoughts and prayers.

According to his wife Ina, Glen Fry is fairly stable. He carves a little. Richard Hugel visits him occasionally as they talk and carve. Glen's "Coyote howling at the Moon" is scheduled to be published in an upcoming issue of *Carving Magazine*.

If you notice a year round resident is missing from Tuesday mornings for a prolonged period, please check on them.

ALERT from Carving Magazine submitted by Dave Johnson:

I recently received an invoice, RE: Carving Magazine, from Magazine Billing services, White City, OR The amount was 2years \$89.95, a rip off. Today I received an invoice from Carving Magazine, two years \$39.90. I went to their web site to complain and they were aware of these scams of these scams and they are trying to stop them.

If you would like to join the fight against these companies, send the paperwork you receive to All American Crafts, Attn: MCM, 7 Waterloo Rd. Stanhope, NJ 07874

For Sale:

A fellow carver in Holiday, a member of the Caloosa Club has a large piece of mahogany for sale. It's 5 feet long, 15 1/2 inches wide and a full 2" thick. Great for relief work or making bases. She'd like to get \$100 for it. It's got 12 board feet of lumber in it. She looked on line and the prices for 8/4 mahogany are over \$15. a board foot..... her name is Susan Mattix, the Santa Claus carver up at the Caloosa Woodcarving Show in Hudson, and her email address is celticwoman1951@yahoo.com. <http://www.susanmattix.com/> (submitted by Ed Livingston)

Free Carving Demo

Woodcraft: Saturday June 28 (18891 US Hwy 19 North)
Demos, Free Hot Dogs and Drinks 11:00 'til 1:00

Master Woodcarver Peter Newton

will provide a *Free* woodcarving demonstration on chisel and gouge carving and face carving tips, 11-2pm

Important 2015 Dates:

Suncoast Wood Carving Show: January 17-18, 2015, Seminole Rec Center

Two of the best ways to insure that it is a success and foster this folk art are:

1. Enter carvings in the show and
2. Encourage family, friends, and neighbors to attend.

There are many opportunities to assist in other ways.

Florida Woodcarver's Roundup Feb 3-6, 2015, Long Center, Clearwater

Class descriptions have not been "firmed up," says Roundup organizer Jim O'Dea. Pre-registration forms will be available November 1. However, the web site currently provides some information and previous class descriptions: <http://webspaces.webring.com/people/qj/jeodea/>

Woodcarving Tips--Videos

Cottonwood bark by Ron Adamson (9 min)

Woodcarving issues, fixing bug holes, splits and cracks carving feathers and horns for Cottonwood bark carvers
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a5OypGMhtgc>

Beginning Woodcarving Techniques with Mary May (24 min)

Professional woodcarver, Mary May, shows how to get started with woodcarving. This video shows how to safely hold tools, how to make basic carving cuts, and how to get started in this fabulous art!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1X6mmzNyIA>

Importance of Safety

Suncoast Woodcarvers member Judy Wolf was caught by the camera demonstrating the importance of carving safety. She wears a thumb guard on her carving hand and a protective glove on the hand that holds the wood.

