

The Curling Chip

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October 15, 2011

Monthly meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church
10:00 a.m.

Bob Pedigo provided the carving project for the morning. The carving was a small rooster.

President Doug Emerson presided over the meeting. There were 17 members in attendance with 4 guests who were attending the beginner carving class. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Ron Holtz reported that there is \$6,257 in the checking account with bills in the amount of \$8.70 for postage, \$44 for refunds, \$50 for reimbursement to Ron Torgeson for submitting a grant, and \$3,700 for motel expenses incurred for the carving show held in October. Ron also indicated that the raffle netted about \$1,100 in income. Perry Cook moved and Alvin Braunagel seconded that the bills be paid. Motion carried and treasurer report was approved as submitted.

A short report on the annual show was given. The feeling was that the show was very successful with very good attendance. Comments from those attending the show were very positive. Ron Torgeson moved that the club reimburse Frank and Kay Koch \$100 for the expenses that they incurred for housing expenses for keeping featured carver, Rick Harney. ClaraYonker seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Frank Koch reported that Clark Schreibeis will be conducting the class for painting a brown trout along with instructions for providing habitat in the spring class. The class is scheduled for April 13, 14, 15. Bob Pedigo indicated that he may provide some instructions on some Saturdays helping complete the carving of the trout prior to Clark's class. The classes may start in January, 2012, possibly at Bob's place. There will be more information about the classes at a later date.

Frank reported that a Christmas party is being worked on and a sign-up sheet will be coming out in the near future. No date has been decided at this time.

Frank also reported that Bob Guge has agreed to be the featured carver at the 2012 annual show in October, 2012. His specialty is the carving and painting of birds. He also indicated that Bob Gulee has agreed to the spring, 2013 class. There will be more information coming out as we approach the dates they will be here.

The election of club officers is scheduled to be held at the February, 2012, meeting. Bob Pedigo has agreed to chair the nominating committee. Jim Lindseth and Warren Schlecht have also agreed to be part of the

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nominating committee. The offices to be decided upon will be the President-elect, Secretary, Membership, Librarian, Newsletter, and one Member-at-Large currently held by Jim Lindseth.

Jim Lindseth reported that there are still some openings for projects for the monthly whittle-ins for this fall and into 2012. Contact him to set up a time if you are interested in providing a project for the Tuesday evening and Saturday morning whittle-ins.

Discussion about heavier tarps for carving on at the various shows was held. Bob Pedigo moved that the club spend approximately \$100 on painter's tarps to be used by the club at some of the public shows. Frank seconded. Motion passed. Bob will look into the purchases.

Frank reported that the carvings for the Old West town are presently at Bowman. The next stop for the carvings will be in Moorhead, Minnesota.

There were no projects for show and tell.

No further business. Meeting adjourned.

Warren Schlecht
Secretary

Brown Trout Carving

Bob Pedigo will be leading folks through a brown trout carving class in preparation for the brown trout painting class to be taught by Clark Schreibeis in April. We will carve the body and fins, and put in head and mouth details along with texturing for scales. We will not insert the eyes since they will be done during Clark's class. The body and fins will be carved separately and the fins will be inserted after the fish is carved and textured.

The class should take two or three Saturdays. Bob estimates this will take only two Saturdays, but will do another one if needed to finish. The participants will receive instruction on the carving techniques during class and should plan to do some "homework" during the week to be ready for the next session. For the trout carving class, I will teach that on January 14 and January 28.

Cost will be \$20.00 per student and a fish cutout and fins is included in this cost. Eyes will be provided by Clark Schreibeis in April during the painting session.

If anyone is interested who has not yet contacted Bob, please call him at home at 258-0702.



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Relief Carving by Rick Harney, Our guest carver 1

Christmas Party 2011!

The Christmas party this year will be at the Doublewood Inn in Bismarck beginning with a social at 5:30 pm. The dinner will begin at 6:00 pm. If you are planning to attend, please let **Frank Koch know as soon as possible**. The cost is \$15 per person. There will be a gift exchange for carvers and their spouses. Frank will do a “year-in-review” for the entertainment. We hope to see you there.

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Report from Ron Holtz, Treasurer

Ticket sales for the 2011 raffle brought in \$1404 gross and we had the following expenses:

City permits	\$25.00
Printing	\$181.42
Postage	\$17.87
Totaling	\$224.29
Net income	\$1179.71

Mitch Olson and I want to thank all the people who donated the prizes for the raffle including Frank Koch, Bob Pedigo Jim Lindseth, Doug Emerson, Alvin Braunagel, Ron Davidson, Doug Smith, Stan Doblinski, Perry Cook, Bonnie Cook, Barry Bell, DoubleWood Inn, Vince Bitz and Vince Albanese.

The Winners were as follows:

Avocet Shorebird	Amanda Schumacher, Linton, ND
Chip Carved Quilt	Beryl Dinkins, Bismarck
Miniature Goose	Herb Thurn, Bismarck
Napkin Holders	Amy Frey, Bismarck
Chip Carved Plate	Judy Doll, Fargo, ND
Polar Bear	Ed Ryan, Bismarck
Wood Spirit	Darcy Herr, Bismarck
Relief Carved Goose	Candy Skauge, Lake Park, MN
Wolf Bust	Rita Weber, Fargo, ND
Lap Quilt	Klaes Welch, Mandan
Caricature Party Boy	Kathy Wolf, Bismarck
Santa Ornament	Ron Holtz, Bismarck
Fan Bird	Stephanie Tesky, Mandan
Scroll Sawn Eagle	Joe Gutensohn, Bismarck
One nights Lodging	Margaret Sitte, Bismarck
Free Buffet Meal	Ron Kalivas, Green River, WY

Thanks also to all the club members and others who pitched in to sell tickets far and wide and to buy a goodly number themselves. Thanks to Alvin Braunagel who helped me sell tickets at the door both show days.

Ron Holtz, Co-Chair Raffle Committee

FROM THE EDITOR: My email address has changed klaeswelch1@gmail.com

I went back to a 1990 newsletter to get carving pattern. You will recognize the individual who made the contribution. (Vince Bitz)

Happy Carving!

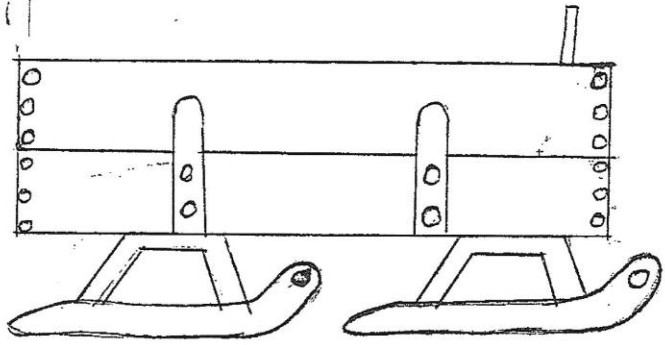


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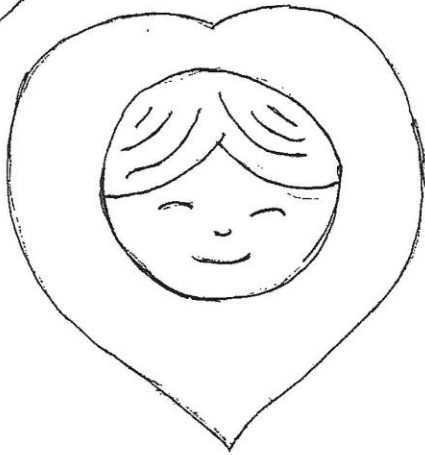
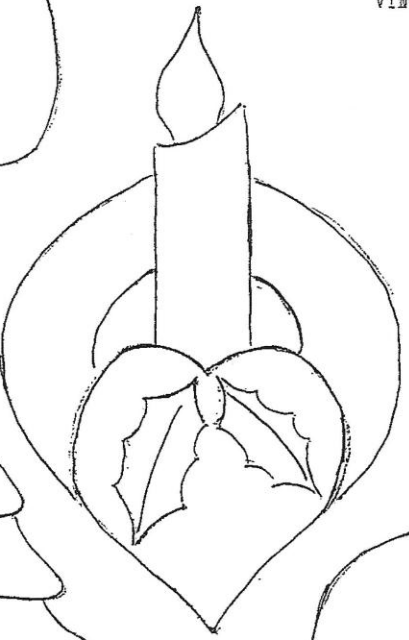
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DATE	EVENT	SUBJECT	HOST
Tues. Dec. 6	Whittle-In, 7-9 pm	Xmas Ornament	Ron Holtz
Sat. Dec. 17	Monthly meet 9-11	Bring extra ornament blanks to share	Club
Tues. Jan 3	Whittle-In 7-9 pm	Project TBA	
Sat. Jan 14	Monthly Meet 9-11 am	Snow Snakes	Club
Tues. Feb 7	Whittle-In 7-9 pm	Love Spoon	Frank Koch
Sat. Feb 18	Monthly Meet 9-11 am	Hand Carved Cross	Warren Schlecht
Tues. Mar 6	Whittle-In 7-9 pm	TBA	Mitch Olson
Sat. Mar 17	Monthly Meet 9-11 am	TBA	Troy Frieze
Tues. Apr 3	Whittle-In 7-9 pm	Wood burning	Doug Emerson
Sat-Sun Apr 14-15	Air Brush Class	Brown Trout	Clark Schreibeis
Sat. Apr 14	Monthly Meet	TBA	
Sat. Sun Apr 21-22	Woodcarving Show	Fargo, Red River	Doublewood Inn
Tues. May 1	Whittle-In	TBA	



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Submitted by Bob Pedigo

Cypress and Tupelo

I recently returned from a trip to South Carolina and Georgia where I had a chance to walk through a marsh/swamp to watch wildlife and take some pictures. While on the walk I saw both Tupelo Gum trees and Cypress trees. Since we have used both Tupelo wood and Cypress knees carving stock I took some pictures to share with everyone.

The picture below on the left is of a Tupelo tree. Notice how it is growing in the swamp with its base submerged in water. The base is also bell shaped at the bottom which is typical of Tupelo trees.



The picture above on the right is of a Bald Cypress along with many Cypress knees growing around its base. This was in a preserve and harvesting of the knees was not permitted. Bald Cypress are a unique tree because although they are in the evergreen family they shed their leaves in the fall; that's how they got the name "Bald" Cypress.

Happy carving. Bob Pedigo

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