

# TRI – VALLEY WOODCARVERS

## California Carvers Guild, Chapter 5

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## Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting is Sat. Jan 10, 2015  
10:30 A.M. (pre-meeting activities – 9:00 A.M.)  
Pleasanton Senior Center

## From The Pres

By Bob Kehl

Happy New Year!!!!Here we are again starting another new year of carving for the Tri Valley Carvers. As we begin this year, our first business meeting will be held at the Pleasanton Senior Center on Jan10th. The meeting will start at 9am with our usual pre-meeting carving/visiting followed by the meeting start at 10:30. We have several new members to meet and get acquainted, so make sure you attend. This meeting is very important for you to attend as we must have an election of officers. This event occurs every two years as required by our bylaws. The officers are President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Advisor. If you are interested in any of these positions, Please present your nominations at the next business meeting or to the present officers prior to the meeting. We need to make sure nominees are willing to run for the office to which they are nominated. We will finalize the nominations and hold elections at the January 10th meeting.

We have a lot to look forward to in this New Year beginning with the annual Oakhurst Wood Carvers Rendezvous the week of April 19th to April 25th. I have the entry form for this event and a list of classes from the event Chairman, Larry Smith. Many of the classes are similar as last year with only changes the subjects to be carved. The rendezvous is a fun event for carvers and non carvers, so many folks attend. The fees are \$115 for each person or \$170 a couple for the week. The classes are available for sign up starting Monday April 20th, so make sure you have a list of classes you wish to attend in mind. Mike has attached the entry form and classes in this newsletter.

The Sacramento wood show will be held again this year on the first weekend in May, May 2nd -3rd. The Capital Wood Carvers in Sacramento really appreciate our Tri Valley woodcarvers teaching soap carving to the kids in attendance, as it adds so much to the show. The show is very well attended by many carvers and draws very good carvings for the judged competition, so make sure you enter your carvings and attend.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**2015: Janet Cordell, 3 day class at TVC ... TBA**

Janet's web site: <http://www.janetcordell.com>

**JANUARY 10, 2015: TVC business meeting AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS!** We need your voice and your vote at this meeting ... also, would you be willing to help with some of the tasks of keeping the Club going?

**April 19 – 25, 2015: Oakhurst Rendezvous:** Check out the new website. They have a list of the classes that are available so far.

[www.oakhurstwoodcarversrendezvous.com](http://www.oakhurstwoodcarversrendezvous.com)

**April 26 – April 29, 2015: Janet Cordell & Debbie Edwards,** 4 day carving class, \$300.00 + rough outs. Sacramento CA. Contact Andy Hirschima (916) 393-2028, [ahiroshima05@yahoo.com](mailto:ahiroshima05@yahoo.com) \$50.00 deposit by January 15<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot.

**May 2-3, 2015: Capital Wood Carvers Show: TBA**

**May 16-17, 2015: Makers Faire:** San Mateo Exhibition Center. Six to eight volunteers needed. Contact Ken Morgan. [kjasmorgan55@comcast.net](mailto:kjasmorgan55@comcast.net)

**May 30 – 31, 2015: Santa Clara Carvers Show: Branham HS Gym. Rena Gooding (408) 264-8918**

**June 17- July 5: Alameda County Fair:** It's never too early to start thinking about the days you want to sign up to demo carve or to start that project that you were planning on entering. This year's theme: Rock the Red, White, and Blue.

**September 2015: Tri-Valley Carvers Show: TBA**

**September 12-13 2015: Central Coast /Cambria**

**Show:** Contact Ed Zirbel or Dave Dignam

## From The Pres (Cont)

The Alameda County Fair dates are June 17th -July 5th. I am not sure what the Fair's theme is this year yet, however, we will work on that later. There are, of course, the preparations for entries, so it's time to think about what to carve for judging and what the club display is going to be this year. We will be holding the soap carving event again on Kid's days. We are hoping to sponsor the youth wood carving event again this year. The Kid's carvings are from our teaching classes at the local schools. We really received high appreciation from the kids, parents and the Fair management for our participation in these events.

Our participation in the annual Art under the Oaks event is set for this year July 18th-19th. We are in the same building as last year. Perhaps, the club can discuss a theme or project to present for this event or we can keep it an individual sales event, as we did last year. Last year was our second offering of kids soap carving for this event. It was very well received and a lot of fun. Depending on our TVC soap carving volunteers, we will offer soap carving again this year.

This year marks the club's 43th anniversary, so the wood show will be not only a great showing of our carvings, but a wonderful celebration of our club and achievements. The venue and dates are being established and we have listed the tasks needed for a banner successful show.

The events listed are some of the high lights for the year. We will be continuing with our school teaching sessions and the Veteran's Cane projects. Make sure you keep up with the Club details in the "Mark your Calendars" section of the newsletter.

## Birthdays!

So far, our records show just 3 members born in this month:

**Ethel Burgett, Steve Gramberg, & Ed Haskett**

**Happy Birthday!**

**If you were born this month, please tell our Editor, Mike Pocha (see front page for contact info.).**



## Bulletin Board

**[:] EAST BAY INNOVATION ACADEMY:** Our discussion with the East Bay Innovation Academy about carving with their students is on-going. We've had several emails and discussions in person on how to best merge the Tri-Valley Carvers student woodcarving program with the Academy. As soon as we finalize class time and size, we'll set up the curriculum. Currently, we are planning to carve a baseball bat to start, with the choice of the otter and wren as follow up beginners' projects. It's always fun working with a new group of kids and they've told us that the faculty, administration, and parent volunteers are very excited to see our program in action.

**[:] TVC shares Vets' Cane project with the Bay Area:** On Dec. 5, 2014, eight TVC members were featured on NBC Bay Area Proud. A TV crew filmed and interviewed those involved in the National Eagle Head Cane Project for our wounded veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan, and recently, vets from WWII and Korea. There is also a very informative article under the video that explains why our cane carvers put, not just time and effort into each cane, but also so much of themselves. Check out this link:

<http://bit.ly/bap0232>

**[:] MAKERS FAIRE:** Is coming to the San Mateo Exhibition Center May 16-17, 2015. We could get a space, but need 6-8 volunteers for two continuous days of carving demonstrations and/or soap carving with some lucky kids. The details are to be worked out in future meetings. Contact Ken Morgan for more information.

The Makers Faire is the Greatest Show (and Tell) on Earth—a family-friendly showcase of invention, creativity and resourcefulness, and a celebration of the Maker Movement. The 10th annual Maker Faire Bay Area is a two day event that showcases products like Student projects, Robotics, Homegrown Drones, Space projects, Interactive art projects, 3D printers, Textile Arts/Crafts, Rockets and RC Toys, and a whole lot more. Check out what Maker Faire is all about through last year's Drone's Eye View of the 2014 Maker Faire at Sevastopol, CA.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wlw4qRJ5YZo#t=25>

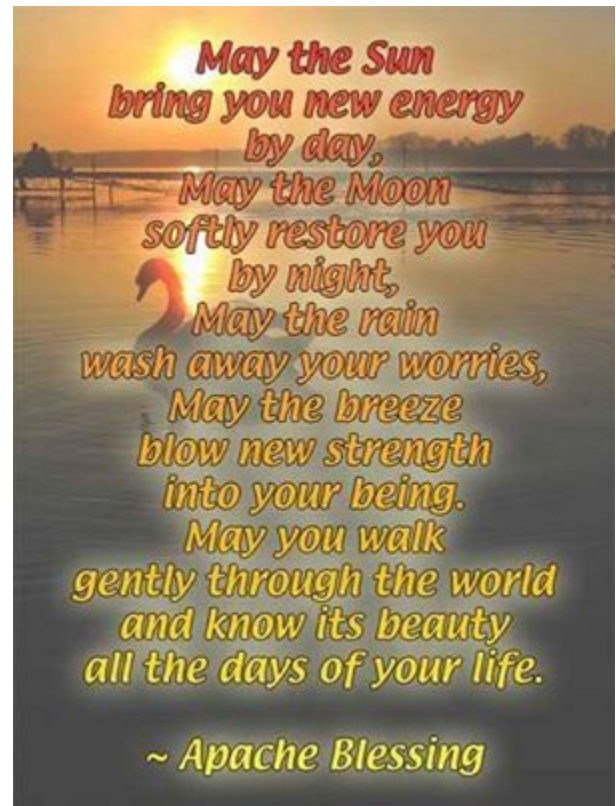
## Bulletin Board Cont.

**[:] “MONTHLY SHOW & TELL”:** Requested format: (1) Created by member and completely finished (2) Type of wood/material if known (3) Steps in creating the piece (4) Approximate time involved. **NOTE:** Bring your “share” item(s) prior to our meeting and, if possible, let Bob Kehl know in advance what you are bringing. *Perfection does NOT count, Participation does! See you soon J*

**[:] Send/give YOUR NEWS; items WANTED; items FOR SALE; QUESTIONS; INTERESTING INFO; etc to Mike Pocha, Editor and Treasurer, and he will post it here on YOUR Club Bulletin Board for all to see! This is YOUR information site so take advantage of it. ALSO SEEN by OTHER CLUBS ... AND it's FREE !!!!**

## “THINK ABOUT’S”©

by Joan Cousins, 1-2015



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 “Dedicated to all our caver members and friends  
 who are having difficulties!” jc  
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# Wood Inventory

**Basswood available at Sr. Ctr.**

Qty	Description	Price
3	2x2x4	\$2.00
4	2x10x12	\$17.00
2	4x6x12	\$23.00
1	5x6x18	\$33.00
3	Basswood Bark Boards	\$15.00
2	2x8x12 Jelutong	\$7.00

**Plus**

**We also have:**

Spalted Maple, Liquid Amber, Walnut, Olive,  
Sycamore and several others.  
Contact Ken Morgan.

## Some Photos from Holiday Party & Raffle

By Mike Pocha





## REGISTRATION FOR April 19th to 25, 2015

Please register me/us for the OAKHURST WOODCARVING RENDEZVOUS

Please Circle one

First Person \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size S M L XL 2X 3X 4X  
W/Pocket WO/Pocket

Second Person \_\_\_\_\_ (Same household) Shirt Size S M L XL 2X 3X 4X  
W/Pocket WO/Pocket

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that participating in the Oakhurst Wood Carvers Rendezvous poses some risk of injury. I hereby agree to hold harmless the OAKHURST RENDEZVOUS OFFICIALS, INSTRUCTORS OR ANY OTHER LEADERS AND WORKERS AND COMMUNITY CENTER for any damage or injuries incurred during or as a result of such workshops or incidental thereto.

Signature 1st Person \_\_\_\_\_

Signature 2nd Person \_\_\_\_\_

The cost for the first person to attend the Oakhurst Woodcarvers Rendezvous is **\$115.00** Dollars. The cost for the second person to attend is **\$55.00** Dollars. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**DEPOSIT \$55.00 Dollars** ----- \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE make Checks Payable to the Oakhurst Woodcarvers Rendezvous

Please Contact Larry Smith – Phone (559) 906-4198 [woodtat@icloud.com](mailto:woodtat@icloud.com) or  
Jack Parks - Phone (562) 425-0732 [jackaparks@aol.com](mailto:jackaparks@aol.com)

Mail Registration Larry Smith 40389 Hwy 41 Sp 67 Oakhurst, Ca 93644

Tentative list of Teachers for 2015 Oakhurst Woodcarvers Rendezvous

- Dick Smith-----Relief Carving
- Richard Zerbel-----Chip Carving ( beginning through intermediate & Kolrosing /  
crushed stone inlay
- Gerry Jensen, Carol Boles---Painting small wooden birdhouses - House design and/or Florals
- Kathie Peery-----Stained Glass Mosaic lighted blocks (10 only for those that haven't  
done one before)Stained Glass mosaic stepping stone. Ok to  
contact Kathie Peery with design requests. email address: [jkpeery@catel.com](mailto:jkpeery@catel.com) or phone 209-785-7702
- Janet Coble-----Paper Embroidery greeting cards. Student will learn how to make a  
card. Additional patterns will be available. All supplies will be  
available from teacher. Classes will be limited to 12 students per  
session. Two days with three session each day (8-10, 10-12, 1-3.  
Cost is \$2.00 per card & envelope
- Joe Girtner-----A one day hands on tool sharpening session. Three day session on  
Santa Spiril tree. (email Joe for the tool list. email address:  
[joecarves@aol.com](mailto:joecarves@aol.com))
- Lola Nelson-----Standing Bear and/or Running Squirrel. Tools assortment of Palm  
chisels, knives. Power chisel, Foredham or Dremel. Assortment Of  
ruby or diamond bits (flame) carbide bit kutzsaw wood burner,  
dust mask sandpaper or sand drums for Dremel or Foredham
- Ken Maggard-----Wood turning. (beginning through intermediate
- Joanne Carroll-----Wood burning Basic Pyrography Wednesday. Intermediate Thursday  
Bring wood burner( Colwood, Detail master,Razertip, Burnmaster,  
etc. ) and three tips ( pen, round skew, and shader)  
Various supplies available to purchase.  
Intermediate. more advance techniques, Bring own pattern or pick  
from a variety of patterns.  
Kits cost \$5.00  
Basic Drawing Principles (4 hours split into two 2 hour sessions)
- Bud Sanders-----Face in golf balls and face in triangle block
- Darryl Easter-----Love spoons Chains, need tool bring carving tools
- Nash Regalado-----Indian wood flutes.
- Sandy Regalado-----Beading on flutes and general beading.
- Jeff Wardwell-----Flying Humming Bird power carving need to bring own power tools
- Alan Clark-----Carving Kachina Dolls
- Joy Larsen-----Corn husk basket weaving
- Ruth & Connie-----Pine needle basket
- Jean Smith-----Tatting, Knitting, Crocheting
- Ed Frank-----Carving a Ruby Duck

# Local Carving Opportunities

## Monday

**Manteca/Tracy area:** contact Beatrice Machado (209) 835-2075 or Gordon Moody (209) 835-2781

**San Jose area:** 9:00am – 2:00pm; contact Joanne Carroll (408) 398.5991.

## Tuesday

**Tri-Valley area:** at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.; in a fully loaded wood shop that includes a variety of wood for sale; 9:00am – 4:00pm: (\$1.75 resident, \$2.25 non-resident) contact Bob Kehl (925) 443-5632.

**Hayward area:** Hayward Senior Center, N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., \$2.00 per day, 9:00am – 3:30pm: contact Joel Ellioff (510) 537-9463

**Tri-City area:** *NEW:* WOOD CARVING/BURNING group starts October 7, 2014; every Tuesday evening, 6:00pm – 9:00pm. LOCATION: Ruggier Sr. Center, 33997 Alvarado Niles Road, Union City CA 94587, (510) 489-6629. FEES: \$3.00 drop in per night; OR \$35.00 yearly membership for local U.C. residence; OR \$45.00 yearly for **non**-residence. Membership includes participation in all other multiple activities and classes that the Center offers. Contact Ernie Anaya (510) 487-1568 or Joan Cousins (510) 471-6401. One and all are welcome, bring your tools and a hunk of wood and drop in!

## Wednesday

**Wednesday night carvers in Tri-City area:** Community Center, Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont: 6:45pm – 8:45pm: (Free) contact Bob Larsen (510) 795-1275 (*They could use support.*)

**Wednesday night carvers Tri-Valley area:** Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave.; 6:00pm – 8:00pm. (\$4.00) contact Ken Morgan (925) 548-5486 [kjasmorgan55@comcast.net](mailto:kjasmorgan55@comcast.net)

## Thursday

**Thursday evening carvers, San Jose area:** 7pm-9pm, (FREE) Joanne Carroll (408) 398-5991

