

TRI – VALLEY WOODCARVERS

California Carvers Guild, Chapter 5

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Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting is Sat. April 8, 2017

9:00 A.M. Classes

Pleasanton Senior Center

From The Pres

By Bob Kehl

It's spring again and many of the TVC folks are again thinking of new carvings, trips and cruising. I do not have a count, but a large group of TVC carvers are going to Oakhurst again this year. This is the 10th annual event for the Rendezvous this year and everyone looks forward to all the fun, comradery, and learning some new carving techniques. Along with the many classes at the Rendezvous, on Saturday April 29th for the "Rendezvous Woodcarvers Craft Fair", TVC also will display at the show, our soap carving activities around the Tri valley area in the local schools and the Alameda County Fair. Perhaps we will be able to sell some soap kits. Registration forms are available and hurry to get in on the fun.

I have several items to mention to you this early spring:

RAFFLE PRIZES FOR THIS YEAR'S SHOW: At last our last meeting and in our newsletter, we discussed getting started on this year's show raffle prizes. We will again limit our raffle prizes to 5 items this year, as we did last year. These items can be from any of the following categories: WOOD CARVINGS, BURNINGS, TURNINGS, TOOLS, or GIFTBASKETS/GIFT CERTIFICATES. We have already had several members' volunteer items for the show. All items will be welcome; we are hoping to receive these items as soon as possible, so that we will have photos/descriptions for our brochures in order to begin selling and/or presenting raffle tickets at all our upcoming events, such as the Alameda County Fair, Art under the Oaks, and any other events or demos. The success of this process will depend on selling tickets early on in the year, before, as well as

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during, our show in September. Please contact Bill Bender with your donation, as soon as possible. The Benders will be taking pictures of your items at the carving session at the Senior Center On April 8th.

Veteran's canes:

I presently 5 Vet Cane open requests from Veterans of the USAF. The new names are available for assignment carvers interested in working on this rewarding and important project. We have wood for the Eagle head and I will turn a shaft for you for presenting the Vet's honors.

Second Saturday classes:

Continuing this year, we will be selecting several months to be set aside for carving classes at our Saturday meetings at the Senior Center. April 8th will be our third class carving session continuing with carving the "Kicking Ass Animated Toy" with Bob Kehl, carving "Olaf" with Ken Morgan and power carving a 10 inch Trout with Rick Jensen. These classes are continuing from the classes from February and March. We will add 1 more class in the April session: Pyrography Techniques with Joan Cousins. The topics/projects are selected by preference from the members and are taught by members with expertise of the subject. As the Saturday, typical time available is 3 hours, we must start at 9am and carve until 12pm to have as much time as we can get for projects. We may be able to go until 1pm, if the Center remains open. The club will provide the materials for the projects free. Just bring your own tools. The classes this April, are listed in the Bulletin section of the newsletter. In order fully utilize the time for our teachers, members should let us know their preference of the classes. If you want to attend several of the classes available, we will do the class again according to demand. Come on and enjoy a great carving experience and perhaps learn a few "tricks" from our Teachers

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

• **Reminder:** Thursday night carving is open to members and the public at the Senior Center, 6-8:00 p.m.

- **April 8:** TVC Carving Classes continue. Senior Center, 9-1:00. [replaces April meeting]
- **April 23-29:** Oakhurst Woodcarvers Rendezvous
- **May 19-21:** Maker Faire, San Mateo
- **May 20-21:** Capital Woodcarvers Show
- **June 16-July 9:** Alameda County Fair; "Best Summer Ever"; Tue-Sun, 11am-11pm. Closed Mon. Seniors Free-Thursday; Kids Free—Friday. Sign-ups, May 13th meeting.
- **July 15-16:** Alden Lane "Art Under the Oaks"; 11am-4pm
- **Sept. 9-10:** Tri-Valley Carvers 45th anniversary show; 10am-4pm. Veterans Memorial Hall, 301 Main St, Pleasanton. Set up and judging, Fri, the 8th.

"THINK ABOUT'S"©

from Joan Cousins, TVC Contributor, 3-2017



"Well Spring has Sprung and it is time to notice the new flora and fauna that has appeared. At the same time take notice of all the creativity that has sprung into your thoughts and start creating. Remember, YOU are amazing!" ... jc

CHECK IT OUT By Paul Fackler

It's time to gear up for another carving season and you may wonder "What should I try next?" Well, here are some interesting and unique carvings that might get you to thinking!



Joan Cousin's pyrography project for April 8th class.

Bulletin Board by Paul Fackler

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[:] **Maker Faire:** Is set for May 19-21. Those who attended the Faire last year-- Ken, Mike, Kay, Lydia, and Don—had a fantastic time meeting and greeting an enthusiastic crowd and showing them what carving is about. If you would like to join Ken in this year's event, you can contact him at kjasmorgan55@comcast.net

[:] **Sacramento Show [Capitol Wood Carvers]:** May 20-21. Volunteers needed to help with kids' soap carving on either day. Come join the fun of working with these enthusiastic carvers.

[:] **Items for the Raffle:** As we mentioned in March's newsletter it's time, once again, to work on a donation project for the raffle. We're looking for wood carvings, burnings or turned items, tools, gift baskets or gift certificates. It's very important that your donation is ready for Bill and Lydia to photograph no later than the April 8th meeting.

[:] **TVC Carving Classes:** We are replacing some of the monthly business meetings with carving classes and doughnuts, of course. Classes have been scheduled for the second Saturday of February, March, April, May, and November, 9-1:00, at the Senior Center.

The next set of classes will be on Saturday, April 8; You can choose from the following: carving a **Toy Soldier** and the **Kicking Donkey** with Bob; and **Power Carving a Trout** with Rick; and carving **Olaf the Snowman** with Ken; and **Pyrography** with Joan. She will talk about the tools to transfer the flower pattern, control with wood grain and then on to shading for depth.

Power carvers bring your own machines. Pyrographers, a couple burners may be available for those who don't them, otherwise please bring your own and a stylus or a ball point pen.

[:] **Upcoming Events to Think About:** a topic for the next carving class that you would like to explore; plan for your Alden Lane display; Fair demonstration dates sign-up; Fair projects delivery date deadline—Friday, May 12, \$5.00 entry fee, each item.

[:] **Upcoming items for the May 13th meeting:** Business meeting; Fair sign-ups; Oakhurst report; picking new carving classes for the next round.

**HAPPY
EASTER**



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:

Pleasanton; 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: (\$2.00 resident, \$2.50 non-resident) contact Bob Kehl (925) 443-5632 rjkehl@comcast.net
Hayward area: Hayward Senior Center, N. 3rd St., \$2.00 per day, 9:00am – 3:30pm; Currently no contact.

WEDNESDAY:

Fremont; Tri-City area: Community Center, Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont: 6:45pm – 8:45pm: (Free). contact Bob Larsen (510) 795-1275.
Livermore; Tri-Valley area: Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave.; 6:00pm – 8:00pm. (\$4.00) contact Ken Morgan (925) 548-5486 kjasmorgan55@comcast.net

THURSDAY:

San Jose area: 7:00pm-9:00pm, (FREE) Contact Joanne Carroll (408) 398-5991
Union City; Tri-City area: “U.C. Wood Art” (carving & burning), 6:00pm – 9:00pm. LOCATION: Ralph & Mary Ruggier Sr. Center, 33997 Alvarado Niles Road, Union City CA 94587, (510) 489-6629. FEES: \$3.00 drop in (City fee) unless you have a membership. Contact Joan Cousins (510) 471-6401, joanburnswood@gmail.com
Pleasanton; 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; 6:00pm – 8:30pm: (\$2.00 resident, \$2.50 non-resident) contact Bob Kehl (925) 443-5632 rjkehl@comcast.net

Wood Inventory

Basswood available at Sr. Ctr.

Qty	Description	Price
1	1x3x12	\$3.00
9	1x8x12	\$9.00
8	2x2x3 ½	\$0.50
4	2x4x12	\$8.00
6	2x7x12	\$13.00
5	2x10x12	\$19.00
5	3x4x5	\$5.00
5	3x5x8	\$9.00
2	3x5x12	\$12.00
2	3x7x12	\$14.00
1	4x7x12	\$22.00
5	1x10 Barkboards	\$6.00
5	1x12 Barkboards	\$7.00
13	Cribbage templates (1x4x16)	\$5.00
many	Tupelo in a variety of sizes	--
many	Jelutong in a variety of sizes	--

(Subject to change)

Plus, we also have:
 Tupelo, Jelutong, Aspen, Butternut, Spalted Maple,
 Liquid Amber, Black Walnut, Olive,
 Sycamore and several others.
 Contact Ken Morgan.

