

TRI-VALLEY WOODCARVERS

California Carvers Guild, Chapter 5

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OUR NEXT MEETING

Saturday November 12th

Please note there will be NO meeting in October

From The Pres

By Bob Kehl

From the pres:

Our 44th wood carving show was again one of the most successful shows yet. Our mission for the TVC is to promote wood carving and I think we did a great job doing it. Many thanks to all club members, who worked so diligently to make our show such a success. The success for our show is the results of many club members and new members stepping up to make it so well done. These efforts are what make our club so great. Special thanks to the club's officers for taking on the responsibilities as Show Chairpersons. There were many items of the show that should be mentioned, so I will now highlight some of them:

The Friday setup turned out to be a great success, as we were able to do all the entering details and judge almost all of the 69 entries for the show that evening. The participants also were able to set up their tables. Only a few carvings were entered in the first hours on Saturday and were judged long before noon. We ended up with 59 entries compared to 69 last year's with the limit being 2 per participant. Since we are trending down in entry numbers, I definitely think we should consider increasing the limit to three per participant. The income from the tables and the entries ended up at \$524.

This year we had 8 raffle prizes to offer for our show. The displays and selling tickets early in our demos was again a smooth operation. The 8 raffle prizes brought in \$731. Thanks to all the members that donated or provided donations for these raffle items.

We had quite a lot of silent auction and country store items again this year. The items were donations from TVC members, outside

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- October 22: — Alviso Adobe Park, demonstrations carve, 9-12:00 [no soap!]
- * November 10:— Every Thursday night open carving, Senior Center, 6:00-8:30
- * November 12 —: TVC meeting and whit-tling contest projects due
- * December 10: — Christmas luncheon, Brass Door, 12:00-3:00

From The Prez (cont)

businesses, some carving items donated by the Santa Clara Carvers, and from a wood carver's estate sale. The income from the silent auctions came to \$467; including a very active group counter bidding on a donated Foredom carving set from an estate. The country store brought in \$294.

The wood sales table proved again to be a huge success bringing in \$486.50. We had a large variety of wood for turners and for carvers available this year. I counted over eight types of wood in various sizes. Much of this wood came from our supply of wood stored at Ken's shop. We presented the wood in a squared off, smaller version to attract the buyers to the beautiful grain pattern. This wood is available anytime for the club, so let me know if you are interested.

All in all the show income amounted to \$3943.50 and expenses were at \$4030.76, which is near right on our budget for the show this year and sets us up for next year.

Again, I want to thank all of the Members that came forth to make this another great show! It is a blessing that the TVC has in its members and is appreciated by all.

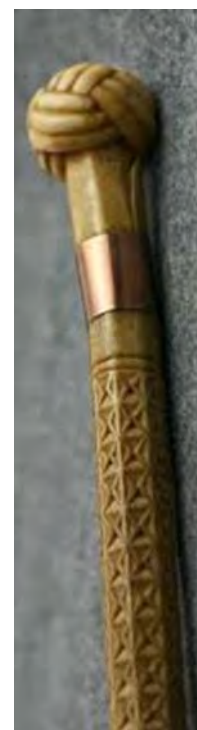
CHECK IT OUT

By Paul fackler

CANE CARVING

In her "Introduction to Cane Carving", Lora Irish states, "Cane carving can be one of the most expressive areas of our hobby. Just about everything conceivable has been carved on a walking stick, from snakes to nudes, Biblical passages to dancing clowns. Working with either a well seasoned stick or a cut blank, carving canes will bring hours of pleasure, with the wonderful reward of a finished walking stick when you are done."

This style of carving is becoming more and more popular with our club members, so I thought a few articles on this art might be useful. The first is an article from Woodcraft. <http://www.woodcraft.com/articles/549/carve-a-cane-thats-in-the-spirit.aspx>



Meeting Highlights

2016 Minutes taken & transcribed by
Joan Cousins

No minutes for this month as there was no meeting in September

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## Wood Inventory

Basswood available at Sr. Ctr.

| Qty | Description                 | Price   |
|-----|-----------------------------|---------|
| 10  | 2x2x3 1/2                   | \$0.50  |
| 2   | 1x3x12                      | \$4.00  |
| 2   | 1x2x12                      | \$3.00  |
| 3   | 1x10x12                     | \$10.00 |
| 5   | 2x4x12                      | \$8.00  |
| 4   | 2x7x12                      | \$14.00 |
| 1   | 2x10x12                     | \$19.00 |
| 5   | 3x5x8                       | \$9.00  |
| 2   | 3x5x12                      | \$14.00 |
| 3   | 3x7x12                      | \$14.00 |
| 1   | 4x6x12                      | \$23.00 |
| 1   | 2x8x12 Jelutong             | \$14.00 |
| 1   | 2x10x12 Jelutong            | \$17.00 |
| 1   | 2x9x20 Jelutong             | \$20.00 |
| 13  | Cribbage templates (1x4x16) | \$5.00  |

**Plus, we also have:**

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

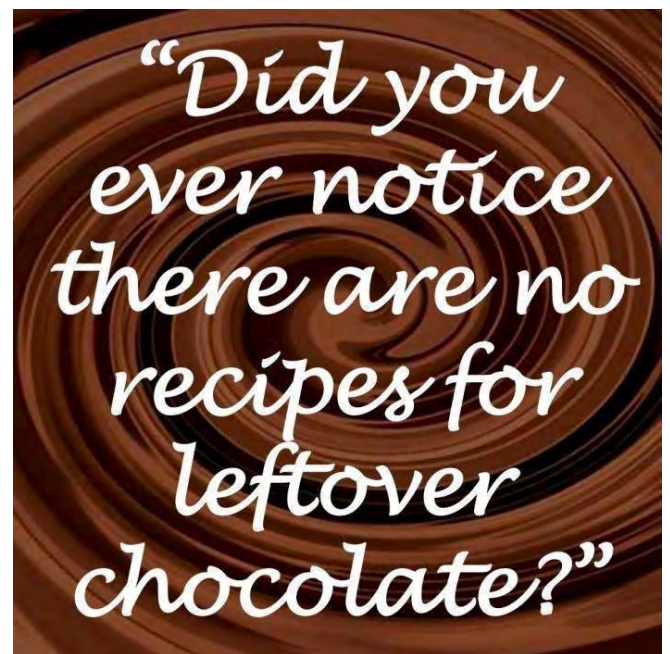
## THINK ABOUT'S"©

by Joan Cousins, October 2016

“**CREATIVE** people  
are **CURIOUS**, **flexible**,  
**PERSISTENT**,  
and **independent** with a  
**TREMENDOUS SPIRIT**  
of *adventure*  
& *a love of play.*”  
**HENRI MATISSE**

*Since there is a little extra space in the paper this time you just know I HAD to post a comment about Chocolate! jc*

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Shhhhhh ... That's 'Cause I ate it all! ... jc

Bulletin Board

by Paul Fackler 7-2015 (Joan C. during Paul's recovery)

[:] TVC Show Dinner: The TVC dinner, Saturday night, Sept.10, was at the Gay 90s pizza restaurant again this year. The festivities began at 4:00pm. It was really nice to relax with our friends after a very busy first day of our show.

[:] Alviso Adobe Fall Festival: Ken, Rose, Rick, and Paul had a rather active Sat. at Alviso Adobe. Our soap carving activity was the most popular for the kids. We carved from 11-2:00 and had to shut down because we ran out of soap! By Ken's count, we carved with 72+ kids. It got a little hectic there at the end, so we might have missed counting a few! "Doing soap" is a great way to introduce kids to carving. More Club volunteers for this activity are always welcome!

[:] Fantastic New Carving Opportunity: If you've wanted to carve at the Center, and couldn't make it during the day on Tuesdays, we have the solution. Thanks to Bob's efforts, we can now offer a drop-in carving session at the Pleasanton Senior Center Wood Shop on Thursday evenings, 6:00-8:30, beginning on Nov10th Our goal is to give carvers, of all experience levels, a place to carve after work.

[:] Gourds, Gourds, Gourds: If you would like to try your hand at gourd carving or burning, here is your opportunity. Joan Cousins has numerous gourds of great quality that she would love to share with our members. For more information, see her ad in this newsletter.

[:] Joan Cousins Retiring: As of Jan 2017 (and 16 yrs of service) Joan Cousins is retir-

ing as Recording Secretary. It is now time for someone else to take over the Secretary's job. The only duty this job requires is taking minutes at the monthly TVC meeting and transcribing them for the Newsletter. Everything else is done by Paul Fackler, the Corresponding Secretary. If you are interested, and would like to find out more about what her job entails, please contact Joan at joanburnswood@gmail.com

[:] Space Available: The space on the Bulletin Board page is also available to our members who would like to submit ideas or information of interest to the Club. Let me know what you have in mind at pdfac@comcast.net.

Birthdays!

Happy Birthday!



This month's birthday celebrants:

Don Bott, Kay Crandall, Joel Elliolf, Paul Fackler, Marilyn Farmer, Roger Gregory

Happy Birthday!

If you were born this month, please tell our Editor, Mike Pocha (see front page)

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: contact Joel Elliöff (510) 537-9463 joelwen@sbcglobal.net

WEDNESDAY:

Fremont; Tri-City area: Community Center, Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont: 6:45pm – 8:45pm: (Free).

Contact Bob Larsen (510) 795-1275 schantri@sbcglobal.net

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. Ralph & Mary Ruggier Sr. Center, 33997 Alvarado Niles Road, Union City CA 94587, (510) 489-6629. (\$3.00 fee unless you have a membership.) Contact Joan Cousins (510) 471-6401, joanburnswood@gmail.com

Pleasanton; Tri-Valley area: Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd.; including wood for sale; 6 pm – 8:30pm: (\$2.00 resident, \$2.50 non-resident) contact Bob Kehl (925) 443-5632 rjkehl@comcast.net

GOURDS



FOR SALE:
\$2.00 - \$75.00
 Asst size and
 shape, with
 thick shells!

Now that we have 3 more Gourd categories added to our Show list I thought some of you may want to try your hand at just one to see how it goes rather than ordering a whole box full. I have dozens and dozens and will sell at my cost. I can bring a bag/box full to the Center for picking. Let me know IF you are interested and what shape / price range you want.

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