

# ***KETTLE KARVERS NEWS*** Volume 28 Issue 8

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Next Meeting, December 4, 2019, **6:00 pm**, Generations, Highland & Douglas, Plymouth, WI

## ***Christmas Potluck***

Before December Meeting

6:00 pm

Meat, buns, and coffee provided

Members should bring food to share

Optional Gift Exchange: **Bring a wrapped carved gift, choose a gift**

**If you did not sign up**, call Rosemary 894-3127 or email rosesmaz72@gmail.com

You are encouraged to dress festively.

## **GIFT EXCHANGE AT CHRISTMAS POTLUCK**

The exchange of gifts during the December meeting has had low participation in recent years. This is really a simple process and an opportunity for members to take advantage of sharing their work. Carve an item or choose an item you may have carved at a Saturday carve or another gathering, wrap it, put your name inside or on the carving, bring it to the meeting, and place it on the table. You can then choose a wrapped package of your choice. Join in the festivities this year and bring your carving.

## **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Yearly dues of \$10 is owed by the end of the year and will be collected at the upcoming meeting. Pay dues at the meeting to our Treasurer, Don Lorier. Dues can also be mailed to Don at 5006 Lakeshore Road, Sheboygan, WI 53083. ■

## **KETTLE KARVER OF THE YEAR**

During the December meeting, we will vote to chose a member as "Kettle Karver of the Year." The award is not given solely on carving ability, but given to the person who makes a significant contribution to the club. The winner's name is added to the plaque and that person keeps the plaque until the next election. Once again, slips will be passed out at the December meeting for members to vote for another club member. This is not a normal ballot where you "choose" from a list of candidates, but your choice from all members. Give this some thought and speak with fellow members about good candidates. Previous winners were Maureen Bruegger, Ron Feld, Lori Jarosh, Don Lorier, and Neil Lorenz. ■

## **DECEMBER ELECTION FOR SECRETARY AND BOARD MEMBER**

Two positions will change as of January 2020: Secretary and Board Member. Judy Larson is giving up the Secretary position, and Willie VanSluys' 3-year term on the board will expire in January. Darrell Abston and Jim Rooker, the nominating committee, will present the nominees to the membership at the meeting, and members will give their verbal approval. Since Don Lorier is acting Treasurer at this time, he will also be nominated for his first term in that position. Installation of the Secretary, Treasurer, and Board Member will occur at the January banquet. ■

## **WEBSITE EDITOR**

Bill Wirth is now the website editor for the Kettle Karvers website. If you have information that needs to be placed on our website, please contact the Secretary who will coordinate placing the information online.

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY**

If the Plymouth School District closes because of inclement weather, Generations will also close and our meeting for that date will be canceled or postponed. At that time, the membership will be notified by email or phone. ■

## **MEETING NOTES** by *Judy Larson, Secretary*

We met on November 6, 2019, at Generations in Plymouth. Our President, Henry Meller, called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

**Treasurer's Report.** Don Lorier reported income of \$247.00 and expenses of \$322.58. Two volunteers were requested to conduct an audit.

**Library Report.** Lori Jarosh received the latest issue of *Woodcarving England*. Also received was Keith Mueller's book *Woodcarving Half-Size Great Horned Owl*. [All magazines were tagged as part of our library and are available for a two-month checkout.]

**Sunshine Report.** Dianna Witt sent two cards to Gene Mathes; one to acknowledge his participation in the honor flight and the other was a get well card. It was also mentioned that Jim Radtke, a former member, had passed away.

**Upcoming Events.** A potluck will be held in conjunction with the December meeting (bring food to share). If you have not signed up, please contact Rosemary (rosesmaz72 or call 920-894-3127) today. The banquet is scheduled for January 8 at Wagon Wheel in Howards Grove (\$10/person member and spouse). You will have the opportunity to sign up for the banquet at the next meeting. Cost of the banquet is \$10 and a spouse/guest is invited to attend with the member.

**2020 Artistry in Wood.** Henry Meller received the contract for the Lakers Ice Center for our April 25, 2020 show and gave it to Don to submit payment. A chairman or co-chairmen needs to be found to guide the other committee members and volunteers. A very complete list of items that needs attention is available. If you would like to take on this responsibility, please contact an officer or board member.

**Demonstration.** Dave Matenaer came to Generations as the demonstrator for the November meeting. He showed us how he airbrushes fishing lures. He described in detail the products he uses as the base and tints to create the myriad of colors he uses. He then airbrushed a few fishing lures and let us inspect his work. This was a very interesting and informative demonstration enjoyed by all attending members.

The meeting was adjourned. ■

## **NOTE FROM THE EDITOR** by *Judy Larson*

This is your newsletter so feel free to submit articles for publication to inform or educate your fellow members. Contact me by calling 920-395-5161, emailing [kettlekarvers.editor@gmail.com](mailto:kettlekarvers.editor@gmail.com), or mailing articles or photos to be included either in the newsletter or our website to 1121 Bluebird Road, Howards Grove, WI 53083. ■

## **SOCIAL CARVING OPPORTUNITIES**

Monday Morning Carving — Monday from 9 am-noon at the Senior Activity Center, 428 Wisconsin Ave., Sheboygan. Free for Friends members and \$1.00 for guests of members.

Tuesday Morning Carving — Tuesdays starting at 9:30 am at the Manitowoc Senior Center, 3330 Custer Street, Manitowoc. Richard Young is the contact.

Tuesday Evening Carving — held year-round from 6:30-9:00 pm at Plymouth High School, Room C111, 125 South Highland. All members and visitors are welcome. Cost is \$1.00.

Wednesday Morning Carving — a group gathering from 8:30 am-noon at the Kiel Community Center, 510 3rd Street, to enjoy carving. Larry Lienau is the contact. ■

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 25, 2020: Kettle Karvers Artistry in Wood, 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Woodcarving and Wood Sculpture Show, Lakers Ice Center, 1202 South Wildwood Avenue, Sheboygan, WI; 10 am-4 pm; [kettlekarvers.org](http://kettlekarvers.org) or contact Bob Lawrence at 920-458-4947.

May 3, 2020: Mid-Wisconsin Chippers Woodcarving Show, The Oshkosh Convention Center, 2 North Main Street, Oshkosh, WI; 9 am-4 pm; [midwisconsinchippers.weebly.com](http://midwisconsinchippers.weebly.com) or call Paul Wolters at 920-727-2139. ■

## SHOW & TELL

Members' carvings were shown during the Show & Tell portion of the meeting. Dianna Witt completed the relief carving during the Wednesday group at Kiel. Jeff See carved and finished the leaf. Phil Huenink did the ornamental carving just below. Karen and Jim Rooker showed the items they carved during Saturday carves and other group gatherings. Don Lorier carved the ornament. Linda Graves also showed some carvings from Saturday carves including the skate. Rosemary Mohnsam carved the bird and mounted it on the driftwood.

Photos by Francis Larson

