
NORTHERN VIRGINIA CARVER

December 2005

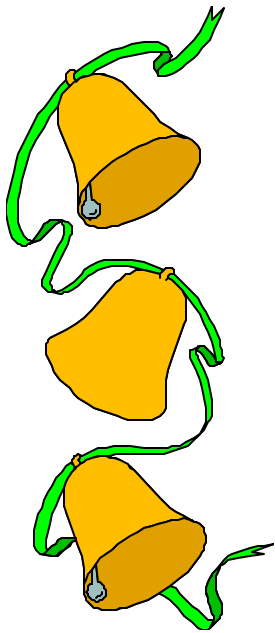
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December Meeting NVC Christmas Party



NVC Members will join together for our annual holiday celebration in the Home Economics room on **DECEMBER 15th beginning at 7:00PM** (setup starts at 6:00 PM). The room is located in the wing across from the School Carving Center. Please bring a main or side dish, salad, or dessert. The club will be providing a sliced ham. Spouses, significant others and friends are welcome.



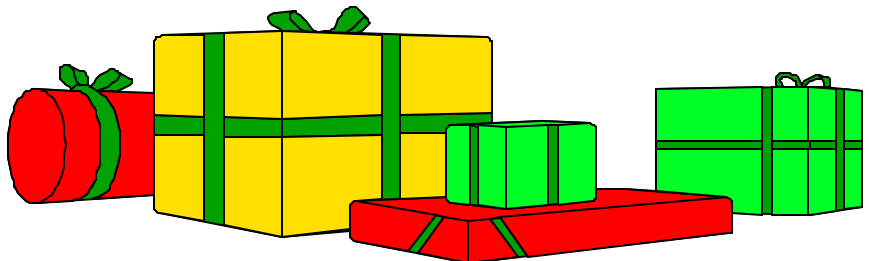
We plan to carry on our traditional Santa surprise gift exchange. Each person who wishes to participate please bring an exchange gift appropriate to the audience. In the past gifts have included a wide range of items like books, carvings, carving materials, tools, gadgets, and food. Let your imagination be your guide.

We hope everyone who can will come and enjoy the party and opportunity to visit with fellow carving friends.



Next Meeting

Third Thursday of month
Thursday 7:00 P.M.
December 15, 2005
Route 7 & Haycock Road
Falls Church, VA



Activities at the Carving Center

We continue to have great attendance at our weekly carving sessions. A number of new members have joined our ranks and are actively participating. We wish to thank Pete Ward for providing cutouts and guidance on the Christmas ornament project (photo below). At the last meeting folks seemed to enjoy the hands-on sharpening workshop led by Hank Cloutier and Pete Ward. Thanks Hank and Pete. Also Hank brought slides of the Ohio Show which he showed on a laptop. In addition, we held our NVC election. The slate was uncontested plus we gained two new board members. Your club representatives are:

President: Joyce Beene	Vice President: Ken Sheehan
Treasurer: J.C. Evans	Secretary: Bob Marshall
Show Chairman: Dana Kerchner	Colvin Mill Coordinator: Joy Burks
Center Director: Hank Cloutier	Program Chairman: Ric Berard
Newsletter Editor: Hap O'Brien	
AU Representatives: Bob Marshall, Hap O'Brien	Membership: Pam Bozzi

Please plan to attend our Christmas celebration. Set up will begin at 6:00 PM. Dinner starts at 7:00. Everyone should help clean up.

!!!Reminder!!!

It is that time again. Memberships for 2005 end December 31st so please renew.

Please send \$20 renewal fee to:

**JC Evans
13526 Norwick Place
Gainesville
VA 20155-1391**

Traditional Duck Decoy Carving Workshop

There will be a Traditional Duck Decoy carving workshop at the Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center in Appomattox, Virginia in March of 2006.

The Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center is a non-profit program with a focus on the preservation of regional Cultural and Musical heritage. Copies of their brochures should be available soon in our local Woodcraft Store. Also a copy be available at the December meeting. Cost is \$225 for instruction, decoy kit, meals and lodging. Registration deadline is March 3, 2006.

If interested please contact:

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Lake 4-H Educational Center

Rt 2 Box 630

Appomattox, Va. 24522

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Workbenches Anyone?

Joel Jacobson suggests this link for those interested:

<http://www.geocities.com/plybench/bench.html>



Butternut Available

Jeff Fleisher received a call from Vienna Hardwoods saying that they just received a shipment of 500 bdft of 8/4 butternut. They report that it is very nice wood with a number of wide pieces available. This is an FYI in case you are interested.

Please Help Editor

I will be on travel in Jan and Feb so will miss all NVC activities. I will have my laptop and plan to write the newsletters while out of the area.

Please keep me posted on news and events via Email. I can be reached at:

Hapob2(at)yahoo.com

Thanks, Hap



James River Carvers Show

The James River Carvers held their show at the Woodcraft store in Richmond on December 3rd. Five of our NVC carvers had winning entries:

Luis Iglesias	Open	Best in Show	Relief of Cranes
Pete Ward	Open	1st Place	Crappie
Pete Ward	Open	2d Place	Turtle
Joyce Beene	Open	2d Place	Spoon
Jim Ernst	Open	2d Place	Caricature Cowboy
Jim Ernst	Intermediate	1st Place	Stylized Relief Cowboy

Two of Jim Ernst's associates from Heritage Hunt carvers also won awards:

John Hus	Novice	1st Place	Stylized Cat
John Hus	Novice	1st Place	Pig
C. VanderZon	Intermediate	2d Place	Two Cats

Need Help?

Hank Cloutier working on a relief carving of horses. So far it looks really great. We seem to have more folks attempting relief carving so there are plenty of experienced members. If you are a novice and are interested, consider visiting us at our weekly carving sessions and we can help you get started in relief carving. For that matter there are plenty of experienced carvers willing to help less experienced members on any carving topic. Just come and ask.

NVC Calendar of Events

Weekly

Thursdays, 3:30-9:00 PM Carving Centers Open to all Members

Monthly

3d Thursday, 7:00 PM Membership Meetings at School Carving Center

Classes

Nov - Dec Group Carving Projects — Christmas Theme - Santa Ornaments

Other Events of Interest

December 15 NVC Christmas Party

Directions to the Carving Centers

Woodcraft — Concord Shopping Center, 6123 Backlick Road, Springfield, VA 22150, 703-912-6727. From I-495 take Braddock Rd East; turn right on Backlick; turn left on Cumberland which tees at Concord shopping center. If traffic is not bad (shorter but not always faster) from I-495 take I-95 South and take 1st exit at Old Keene Mill Rd; follow signs to Backlick. Concord Shopping Center is between Commerce and Cumberland across from Mike's American Café.

George Mason Junior-Senior High School—From I-495 take I-66 East, take 1st exit on to Rte 7 (East), Falls Church; Turn left at 1st light onto Haycock, then take the next left, and find parking in one of the lots to the left. **Carving Center is in Room (G024).**

NVC Contacts

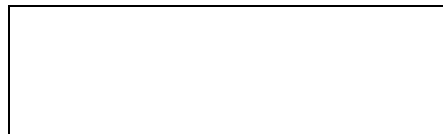
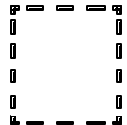
President	Joyce Beene	Chairs General Meetings and Board Meetings — NVC Web Page	Joyce.beene(at)gmail.com	703-978-2032
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!!PLEASE NOTE Memberships Renewals are due— Please renew for 2006

Members receiving newsletter via US Mail will have membership expiration in upper right hand corner. If you recently renewed it will show 12/06. All others with 12/05 need to renew. For members receiving newsletter via Email we will send a separate Email notice to those members who have recently renewed or joined notifying them that membership is good through 2006. Please notify Hap O'Brien at hapob2(at)yahoo.com) of errors.

Membership to NVC is from Jan 1 to Dec 31, 2005 If you wish to join or renew please check our website (www.nvacarvers.org) for an application and send \$20 to JC Evans, 13526 Norwick Place, Gainesville, VA 20155-1391.

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