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Meet the Northern Virginia Carvers



The NVC Mission

To preserve, enhance and perpetuate the American cultural tradition of artistry and craftsmanship in woods.

To promote wider community interest in woodcarving as an art form and craft through demonstrations and educational activities.

To provide guidance and assistance to beginners and experienced alike.

To create opportunities for fellowship with others who share an interest in carving—regardless of their level of carving experience.

To let the general public experience the joy and "feel" of wood carving.

Northern Virginia Carvers is a non-profit association, organized in April, 1973 and incorporated in February, 1978.

NVC ACTIVITIES...

NVC Carving Center

The Northern Virginia Carvers hold carving sessions on most Thursdays between 3:30 and 9:00 PM at Woodcraft in Springfield, VA. For our monthly meetings we gather at the George Mason Junior-Senior High School in Falls Church. The carving centers are open year around except on holidays.

The centers serve as an open studio for beginning and experienced carvers. Also demonstrations, informal workshops, seminars, and training sessions are conducted with an aim to help club members with varied experience improve their skills. Newcomers are welcome to visit, seek advice, and mentoring as needed or desired.

The carving center at George Mason has a selection of power tools, carving knives, gouges, chisels, sharpening facilities, and other carving equipment for use by members. Wood carving patterns, catalogues, carving reference books, videos, tapes and CDs are on file and available for check-out.

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 Rt 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 MEETINGS...

Regular Monthly Meetings

NVC club meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at the high school carving center. In addition to normal business, meetings feature showand-tell exhibits of members' current work, and frequently meetings include demonstrations or discussions of techniques. Visitors and guests are welcome to attend any meeting or carving center session.

NVC Newsletter

A monthly feature for members. Full of news, tips, schedule of seminars and classes. Included with your yearly membership dues.

Carving Demonstrations

NVC Members regularly participate in Carving Demonstrations in the area. In the fall and spring the carvers can usually be found at the Woodworking Show at the Capital center in Chantilly as well as at major festivals in the local area.

Woodcarving Show

The NVC will sponsor a one day Artistry in Wood Show at the Woodcraft center in Springfield on October 1, 2005.

NVC INSTRUCTION...

Group Carving and Mentoring

Group woodcarving help sessions are held on a regular basis at the carving centers.

Periodically, nationally known instructors conduct seminars on woodcarving and pyrography. Carvers experienced in practically every facet of wood carving and burning are available for consultation and mentoring.

Colvin Run Mill Summer Classes

During the summer, the Club has a publicized schedule of teaching sessions on Sunday afternoons at Colvin Run Mill Park in Fairfax County.

1st and 3rd Sunday June through August 12:00-4:00 PM.

Ages of 6 and up can participate. Carvers younger than twelve carve with files. Twelve and older can use a knife or gouge. A parent or guardian must remain with children at all times. Instruction is free as is use of available tools. There is a nominal charge for pre-cut blanks.

Colvin Run Mill 10017 Colvin Run Rd. Great Falls, VA 22066

Directions to the Mill: From the Beltway, take Leesburg Pike (Rt. 7), 5 miles west of Tysons. Right on Colvin Run Road, Left into Parking Lot