

The next meeting is February 14, 2013

# February 2013 Newsletter

## Idaho Artistry In Wood February 23-24

Our Guild meets the second Thursday of each month all year round at 6:30 P.M. at the Woodcraft located at the Overland Park Shopping Center at 7005 West Overland Road, Boise ID 83709 (208) 338-1190.

Greetings!

By the time you read this note, we will only have a few weeks before the 2013 Idaho Artistry in Wood Show. It is fast approaching, and preparations are nearly complete for this great opportunity to show the public the artistry that is evident among the artisans who create art in wood. The show committee appreciates your entries, your presence and your donations for the raffles, table prizes and auction pieces.

Several opportunities are coming up on our horizon. In March, Gene Fuller will be offering a class on carving 3

faces on a block, similar to ones on the club friendship canes. Details will be discussed at the meeting on February 14 (Valentine’s Day). Classes will be offered at the Jamboree in May; instructors to be determined soon. World-class carver Ian Norbury from England will be touring North America this fall and will be offering a limited number of workshops at his stops, which are very few. Ian is making a stop in Boise to offer a workshop on carving human figures. Doug Rose will be presenting more information on this incredible opportunity at the next club meeting.

In my quest to bring you a more varied offering of educational carving opportunities, I have spent some time on the Internet looking for sites of interest. If you are interested in an educational carving opportunity, check out [www.carvinonline.com](http://www.carvinonline.com). Carvin Online is a site that offers video instruction for \$19.95 per month, \$49.95 for three months, or \$139.95 per year. You can learn from such noted carvers as Gerald Sears, Stu Martin, Dallas Deege and Dave Stetson. These offerings range from relief carving, caricature carving, bark carving, power carving and chip carving.

Another opportunity to enjoy carving instruction is to check out Lynn Doughty’s OutWest Woodcarving site ([outwestwoodcarving.blogspot.com](http://outwestwoodcarving.blogspot.com)), which offers 259 videos (FREE!) that you can watch to see how Lynn does his western caricature and scenery carvings. These videos range from boots to wagons, busts and caricatures, focusing primarily on the Old West characters. Some videos are as short as 3 minutes, while some have more than 30 minutes of carving instruction. If you are interested in carving techniques, even if these projects are not your “cup of tea”, some of his techniques are transferable to other types of carving. Check it out!

I am interested in exploring other workshop opportunities from carvers we can invite in to Boise to conduct a class for club members. Remember the cypress carver, Sherry Klein, from a few years ago? Is there a particular carver you have a yearning to learn from that we could extend an invitation to? If so, let the Executive Committee know, and we will discuss it at our next Executive Committee meeting, to determine if we can, should and will pursue

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that kind of option for our club members. If you have other suggestions for boosting membership, creating more learning opportunities for our members, and for promoting the carving club and all that it offers, please let us know. We are willing to listen to all kinds of suggestions that will help the club grow and prosper, as well as to bring opportunities to showcase our talents and invite interested members to join us. If you have not been to a carving session on Thursday evenings lately, you might be surprised at the eclectic mix of carvers that come out to carve with us. Last Thursday, we were visited by a new carver who carves Christmas ornaments, and a carver who carves bone and antler to make necklaces, as well as the “motley” group of rogue carvers telling stories and sharing their lives. A good time is always had by all, and sometimes, someone brings cookies or other treats. We look forward to seeing you.

Our carving class this month will be a “hairy snow dude” taught by Carolyn Greener. Our presentation in March will be led by Doug Rose, who will be demonstrating how he creates his dynamic scenery to enhance his bird carvings. Great stuff is coming ahead! Come check it out.

In closing, we look forward to seeing all of you at the IAW Show, February 23-24. Come visit, bring your tools and sit at the demo table. Bring your entries, and also your display pieces for the non-competitive display table to show the public what we are all about.

Thanks!

Eric Owens, IWG president

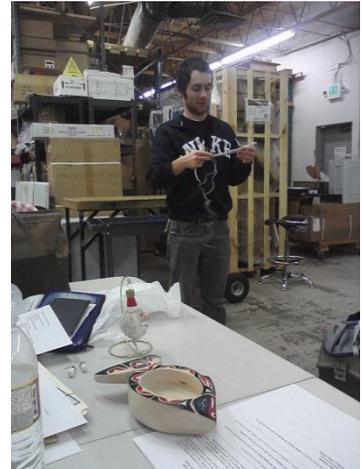
## Minutes for January 2013 IWG club meeting

- 1.Meeting began at 6:32 pm, with 11 members in attendance
- 2.Jane gave the Financial report: Starting amount = \$2149.74; dues of \$20, and sale of cutout = \$75 in income, and \$143.51 in expenses (Christmas party gift cards, ham and paper goods), final of \$2081.23; CD has \$8001.43
- 3.No minutes from last month
- 4.Good discussion of Christmas party – it was good to see Larry Crist and his wife in attendance, and so many members on a cold December night; great food, good entertainment and nice gift exchange program.
- 5.Idaho Artistry in Wood Show information:
  - IAW Show – February 24-25, 2013
  - Judges will be Ted Smith (birds, animals, realistic) and Vic Otto (caricatures)
  - Discussion of registration – Friday, February 23 1-6 pm, cost is \$3 per item before February 15, \$5 after.
  - Need volunteers for judging, raffle, and ticket booth.
  - Banquet on Saturday, February 24, cost is \$22 per person
  - The committee needs items for raffle (about 5 from each club), items for table prizes for the banquet (about 5 from each club) and items for the auction (preferably higher value items for the auction. Gene asked how items will be assigned to a raffle or an auction. Great discussion about that by Eric and Doug.



Eric asked about availability and ideas for a “Featured Carver”. Names were floated, such as Gene Fuller, Doug Rose, Ted Smith and Vic Otto (since they would be judging), and Cleve Taylor. Eric offered to make some calls to set that up.

6. The Idaho Woodcarvers Jamboree will be held Memorial Day weekend (May 28-27, 2013). Possible instructors will be Rick Jensen, Dave Stetson, Ryan Olson, and Floyd Rhadigan.
7. Discussion was initiated for future classes after the meeting. Doug agreed to cover March (scenery), Don Brigham has offered power carving instruction/techniques in the past, and Vic Haight has offered a rocks class. These suggestions will be followed up on to nail down the particulars.
8. Show-n-Tell: Eric Owens has been carving boots for a class in March at WoodCraft and showed off a pair of boots he has finished for that class. Gene Fuller brought a big hat cowboy bottlestopper stuck in a carved boot on a wooden plank floor. He offered to do a class on that if Eric would do boots. Jane showed a Floyd Rhadigan style Santa ornament she finished, as well as the Carolyn Greener class project of a halibut bowl, and proudly displayed one of the 5 pairs of mini snowman earrings she carved as gifts for Christmas. At Jane’s urging, Mark Gibson showed us some woven bracelets he made for some friends.
9. There was no raffle due to low attendance, so the group consensus was to do that next month.
10. No class this evening due to snowy roads, bad weather and no instructor.
- 11 Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.



## February Meeting Project



Inviting all to come for this month's episode of "Chips with Carolyn." Yummm!



Little Hairy Snow Dude, and the list of tools needed. Tools: 3/8" v-tool, 1/8" v-tool, 3/8" #2 gouge, and a sharp bench knife. And your stop! Of course!

The prospectus and registration forms for wood carving entries have now been sent to the Idaho Artistry in Wood website: [idahoartistryinwood.com](http://idahoartistryinwood.com).

### Announcements

**Carolyn Greener** requests that everyone think about ideas for after meeting projects for next year. Please send or give these to Carolyn.

**Doug Rose** says, "The prospectus and registration forms for wood carving entries have now been sent to the Idaho Artistry in Wood website: [idahoartistryinwood.com](http://idahoartistryinwood.com). If they are not already available on the website, they should be there by next week. It is time to start preparing your entries for the February 23, 24, 2013 show at the Boise Hotel and Conference Center if you have not already begun. We hope to see a good representation from the IWG at the show. Also, Before this year, I only knew of one carving club in Utah, the Great Salt Lake Carvers, but I came across this group when looking for clubs that might help publicize our show. They appear to be a lot like ours. Note the announcement of our show in their newsletter. You can see this at <http://www.uvwc.org/>