



West County Wood Carvers Club of St. Louis, Missouri

WCWC Club History

WCWC was started in September 1996 by 2 gentlemen in the back room of the Duenke Cabinet Company in Manchester, MO. Meetings have been held regularly in various locations ranging from the Cabinet Company, the Ballwin City hall, Local Library and the current location at Salem in Ballwin. Over the years the club has had a presence in Ballwin Days, Manchester Homecoming, Open house at the Wild Canaid Center, as well as various shows in the St. Louis area. Our members have assisted various area charities through the sales of ornaments at the shows and appearances. Currently our club has a membership of around 30 men and women ranging in age from 10 to Retired.

Membership

The club membership is open to all (Male & Female) 10 years or older from beginner to expert carver. The club membership is \$5.00 per year for associate member (under 18), \$10.00 per year for adults, \$20 maximum for family per year and \$3.00 for the WCWC patch. A \$1.00 donation is requested at each meeting a member attends. This money (\$1) is to pay for use of the church room.

Meeting

Two meetings each month are held at 14825 Manchester Rd. (*Salem United Methodist Church*) in Ballwin, Missouri. The meetings are on the first and third Monday of each month except holidays from 7PM to 9PM. The meetings start with a short business session followed by a discussion about carvings that members bring to the Brag table. Monthly projects are available to any and all members for a nominal cost and the balance of the evening is allowed for carving of that or any other project brought by the member. Questions are welcome and encouraged.

Carving

Informal and technical carving sessions are held at each of the club meetings. At the meeting the members work on the different projects such as birds, animals, ornaments, etc. Help will be given to any club member at any time during the meeting, just ask. The WCWC encourages its members to participate in wood carving shows and schools.

WCWC Membership Application Waiver and Release of Liability

I am aware that wood carving with members of West County Wood Carvers, (WCWC) or by myself, using sharp chisels and knives can be a dangerous activity involving risk of injury. I understand that the dangers and risks of wood carving with sharp knives and chisels include the possibility of minor to severe injury, and I understand and assume that risk.

Because of the dangers of participating and performing wood carving, I recognize the importance of listening to, and following all of WCWC members instructions and warnings regarding carving techniques, training methods, rules of instructions, as well as following all verbal or written warnings regarding carving techniques, practice, methods and other WCWC members instructions and advice. I understand that all instructions and warnings, both verbal and written, are incorporated into this agreement and I hereby expressly promise to obey all such instructions and warnings.

Member/Parent/Legal Guardian, acknowledge, understand and accept the risks and liabilities of wood carving and hold harmless WCWC club, its elected officers all active members and the Salem United Methodist Church of Ballwin from any and all accidents or injuries that may occur while you or your child/guardian is wood carving either by them self or at a club activity, traveling to or coming from a WCWC meeting or a wood carving event. Because of the nature of the tools we use to carve, no reckless or careless behavior will be tolerated. WCWC maintains the right to revoke membership at any time.

Adult/Family Membership Portion

Print Member Name: _____ Signature _____

Print Spouse's Name: _____ Signature: _____

Required if joining

Emergency Contact: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone No. _____
Home / Cell or both

Email Address: _____

Associate Member (Under 18)

I specifically acknowledge that wood carving is a mentally and physically demanding activity involving risk of injury, and I both understand and voluntarily assume those risks.

Associate Member Print Name: _____ Age: _____

Associate Member Signature: _____

The associate member will only be allowed to carve with the WCWC club at the meetings or events scheduled through the club in the presence of a legal Parent/Legal Guardian or with a WCWC Sponsor approved by you the Parent or Guardian. (not required if Parent/Legal Guardian is a member.

Parent/Legal Guardian Print Name: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Sponsor information required if the Parent/Legal Guardian is not a member

WCWC Sponsor Print Name: _____

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I consider myself a Beginner Intermediate Advanced Wood carver...

My Interested are:

Beginning Carvings Santa's Birds Fish Relief
Caricature Animals Chip Abstract Other _____

Amount Due: Associate (< 18) \$ 5.00
Adult \$10.00
Family Max \$20.00
WCWC Patch \$ 3.00
Total \$ _____

To be filled out by Treasurer: Membership Date From: 201__ to 201__

Payment Received by: _____ Date: _____

Note: Membership card issued by treasurer/membership chairperson will be your receipt.