

The Colorado Carver



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September 2025

President's Corner



We've made it to September! I'm looking forward to cooler temperatures and the beginning of the beginning of beautiful fall colors. Ahead we have the Annual Colorado Carvers Show, Cider Days and before we know it, the November Book Sale and December Christmas Party!

I am excited for the Show and returning to our venue, The **Apex Community Recreation Center**. It is a wonderful place. A BIG thank you to those who have volunteered to help. The Volunteer Sheet will be posted at the Admissions Table if you need to check on your time during the show. Although we do not have very much time left to get our carvings ready for the competition, I encourage you to look at the carvings you have completed and consider entering them. Our guests enjoy seeing finished pieces and those in progress.

At our October meeting we will discuss Board nominations. Serving as President has been a joy and pleasure. (and it's not as difficult as you may think!) All positions are open – President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and 2-3 Members at large. Time commitment is minimal, one meeting each month, usually after the general Club meeting. Our Club is special. It takes all of us to keep it that way. Please consider joining the Board.

Amy Eha

Library News

from Celia Schefe...



Donations to the carvers library in the month of August are from **Dwayne Glenn** who brought in many wildfowl magazines and from **Kathy Reinhart** who brought in more books from the daughter of Dr. Hakala. Thank you both!

Any materials checked out at the August meeting are due at the October meeting. We don't have a meeting at the grange in September because of the fall show.

Consider donating carving books you no longer need to the November book sale. You can bring them to the October meeting.

Colorado Carvers Club



2nd Saturday of the Month

9:00 to 11:00 Open Carving & Seminars
11:15 Show & Tell, Business Meeting

2025 Meeting Dates:

September 13-14 Annual Show
October 11
November 8 - Book Sale
December 6 Christmas Party (1st Saturday)

Location

Maple Grove Grange Hall
3130 Youngfield St., Wheat Ridge, CO

August Meeting Minutes

...from Kathleen Reinhart

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of the Allegiance.

Show and Tell:

Terry Koger- showed two bark tree house carvings

Tony Montoya- showed an Indian head relief carving

Davis Tjarks-brought several examples of fun projects

Dwayne Glenn- displayed a beautiful carved & painted fish

Rob Summers- explained using shoe cream on his Comfy bird and sealing it with Deft.

We had a "mouse picnic" with cheese , representing completed student's mice from **Ben Kembel's** seminar, it was a great idea Jan !

We honored our long time member, **Ralph Mueller** for his **95th birthday** with song, flowers & balloons and many examples of his work and the work of people he touched in the club.

The Mayer Brothers had a successful seminar teaching an Acrobat Figure Carving. They even brought us into the current century by utilizing a monitor to teach the class, very hi-tech!

The library received donated magazines from **Chuck Solomon**. November is the Book Sale.

The New Carvers Table had one new participant and many return novice carvers. We need two volunteers each month to sign up to be mentors in Oct. & Nov. (and into 2026). It is not difficult and a great way to give back.

Check out the club website for the show booklet and for an easy to download flyer to hand out or post in your area.

All tables for the show have been reseraved!

The club could use more things to put on the **donation table** at the show. Please contact **Amy Eha** or any board member if you have items. Bring them to the show.

The Annual Show Volunteer sign-up sheet had slots filled , however there are still available 2 hour slots and other fun activities.

Table set-up for the show starts on Friday , Sept.12 th at 6pm, or Saturday morning at 7am. Show entries can be registered starting at 8:30am on Saturday, Sept. 13 th.

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Bill Douglas September 4	Inara Humeyumptewa September 23
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Cathie Harris September 5	Barb Jacobson September 26
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Ray Rivera September 14	Steve Harris September 28
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Ralph Gilley September 21	Amy Eha September 30
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Lou & Patricia Montoya
September 17, 1966

2025 Show!

The Show is here! There will be AMAZING carvings, a Great Judge and awesome Venue, and best of all, our Club members.

There are cash prizes for certain categories, featured carvers, and the famous Roller Ball contest on Sunday. **Kurt Kelley** has had great success at getting door prizes and reminds everyone to thank and frequent the shops of the generous donors. A Club 'first' will be announced Saturday morning; it is truly amazing and speaks to the wealth of talent and good people in our club.

Set Up is Friday night 6:30 to 8:30pm. At the Apex Community Recreation Center, 6842 Wadsworth Blvd, Arvada, Co. 80003. Please come to the side (north) door. There are no stairs so unloading will be quick and easy. Table assignments will be posted so you can start your set up right away. Remember to be sure your table coverings touch the floor in front and on exposed sides. We'll be coming around with safety pins if you need some adjustment.

There will be no food available, but there is an eating area, and you are welcome to bring your lunch. If you can help set up Friday night, would you please bring a battery powered hand drill, to help get the horse heads attached to the competition perimeter barrier.

So, hope you're ready for fun



Keep your tools Sharp!

Heads up! **Skylar Johnson** will be available to sharpen your tools at the Caricature Carvers of America show in Colorado Springs.



Yes! That's one week after our show.

Mountain Woodcarvers will be there with all of their goodies and Skylar will be sharpening. It's \$5/tool to sharpen. Even if you don't need a tool sharpened, be sure to stop by to say hi to Skylar & Pam!

Carving Tips...

What are some common mistakes to avoid when using advanced wood carving tools?

When using advanced wood carving tools, it's important to avoid the following mistakes:

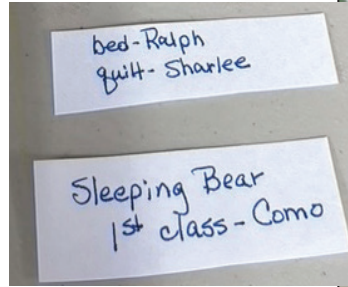
- Applying excessive pressure on the tool, which can lead to rough or uneven cuts.
- Using dull or improperly maintained tools, resulting in poor carving quality.
- Neglecting safety precautions and using the tools without proper knowledge or training.
- Rushing the carving process, which can lead to mistakes and inaccuracies.
- Forgetting to secure the wood piece properly, causing it to move or slip during carving.

August Meeting

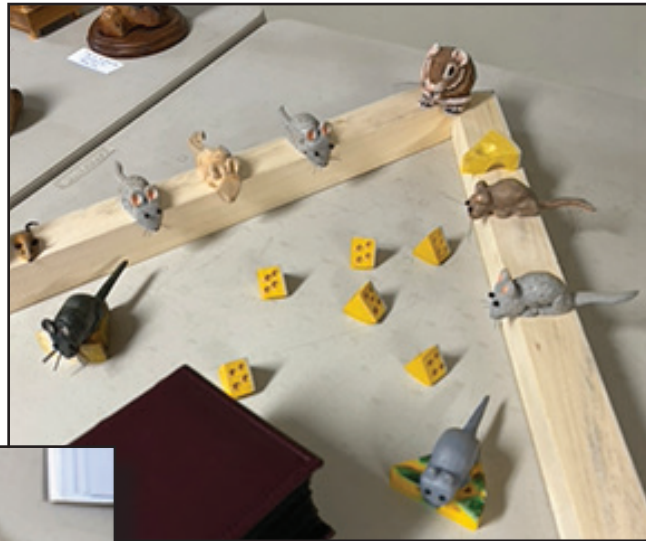
Honoring **Ralph Mueller** on his 95th birthday, students brought in projects they had done in many of his incredible classes. What a teacher!!



August Meeting



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REMEMBER - YOU - Club Members - are the best advertisement we have for our show.

Please invite your family and friends. Pick up these flyers at the August meeting and post them where ever you can.

Spread the word! Let's make it BIG!!!

SPECIAL EVENTS: Featured Carvers, Poker Ball, Mystery Carving Contest Family Fun!		Shop For Unique Christmas Gifts! Handmade Gifts! Meet the Artists! Carving Supplies!
 	SEPT. 13- 14 2025 10am To 4pm	 
Wood Carving Competition Show and Sale Sponsored by: Colorado Carvers Club		
APEX Community Recreation Center 6402 Blackhawk Blvd, Aurora, CO 80015 September 13 - 14 10am to 4pm Adults \$5, Children \$2 and under FREE! More info at: www.coloradocarvers.org		

Northern Colorado Woodcarvers

Club meetings the second Thursday of the month at 6pm at the Woodcraft Store in Loveland, CO
Contact: Richard Bandy 970-587-9681

Open Carving

Thursdays 9-12 noon
Broomfield Community Center,
280 Spader Way, 303-464-5500
Silver Sneakers accepted

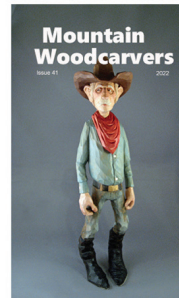
Pikes Peak Whittlers

Club meetings second Saturday every month at Redeemer Lutheran Church
2226 N. Corona St.
Colorado Springs, CO 80907
Contact: pikespeakwhittlers@gmail.com

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barnum.recreation@denvergov.org

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1580 Yarrow St, Lakewood

Open Carving Wednesdays 9am - 1pm
\$3.00 drop-in fee

Windsor Gardens Crafters & Carvers

Contact: Howard Fistell
Howard@totalspeed.com
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Longmont Woodcarvers

WHO: anyone interested in carving
WHAT: carving & fellowship
WHEN: every Friday 8am - 11:30am
WHERE: Longmont Senior Center
910 Longs Peak Ave.
Longmont, Colorado

ADVERTISEMENTS

Would you like to drum up more business? Run your business ad in our club newsletter.

The price is as follows:

CLUB MEMBERS:

Business size ad - \$25 for a year run.

1/4 size ad - \$45 for a year run

1/2 size ad - \$100 for a year run

For personal ads that might only run one or two months, prices are as follows:

CLUB MEMBERS:

Free of charge. Just notify the editor.

NON-CLUB MEMBERS:

Will be \$10 per month. (However, the editor will need to be notified by the treasurer that the payment has been collected first.)

Club members may take 1-3 lines to advertise classes and club services at no charge.

The Colorado Carver

The *Colorado Carver* is a monthly publication of the **COLORADO CARVERS CLUB**, a registered, nonprofit organization. Unless otherwise stated, meetings will be held on the **SECOND** Saturday of each month, **11:15am** at the Maple Grove Grange Hall, 3130 Youngfield St., Wheat Ridge, CO. Open carving and instructional carving is held on the **SECOND** Saturday of each month, **9:00 till 11:15am**. Annual membership dues are \$25.00.

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