

The Colorado Carver

www.ColoradoCarvers.org

December 2024

President's Corner



Happy Holidays! I hope you are looking forward to the fun, family get-togethers, and chaos! It truly is a wondrous time. The Board and I would like to thank you for your continued support of our Club. You've made it a welcoming, fun place to learn and enjoy. Thank you.

One bit of business will be done at our Christmas Party. We will vote for our new board members. We have some holes that need to be filled. Have you considered serving? Commitment is small, one short meeting a month, but the impact is huge. Many people have been serving for years. It would be awesome to get some new perspectives and a few younger members.....

We will have our Awesome Christmas party on **DECEMBER 7**, PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE. Could everyone bring a plate of your favorite Christmas goodies to share? We'll have open carving available and enjoy time visiting with friends. THEN.....our amazing Ornament Exchange will begin!

Please bring a handmade ornament that is WRAPPED to put under our tree. We'll draw numbers and starting with 1, choose an ornament. Now the fun part is the next person can either choose a new package OR steal your ornament and you go back to the tree. Each ornament can only be "stole" twice.

There are so many beautiful things – it's a blast plotting, stealing and having a great time. Did I mention your ornament needs to be WRAPPED?

I'm ready to see all of you on **DECEMBER 7**. Till then, I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!



Tentative 2025 Dates

Colorado Carvers Club

2nd Saturday of the Month

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

2025 Meeting Dates:

January 11
February 8
March 8
April 12
May 10
June 13-14, 16-18 **CITR at the Grange**
July 12
August 9
September 13 – 14 **Annual Show at Apex Community Recreation Center**
October 11
November 8 – **Book Sale**
December 6 – **Club Christmas Party** – note date change - **FIRST weekend of the month**

Location

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

See our monthly newsletter on our website at www.coloradocarvers.org. Click on "Who We Are"

It's Election Time!

Please consider joining the Board as we work towards all the amazing things that are coming up for our Club. The current Board has done an awesome job, but we love new ideas and faces! With continued growth, a large influx of new carvers, and our 50th Annual Show there is a lot going on. Ask any of us about our position or where the Club is headed. This is YOUR Club.



News from the Kitchen....

Hi all. Our December Carvers meeting will be a celebration of the holidays. We are asking you to bring your favorite Christmas or holiday snack to share. We will have these snacks to eat throughout our time together while you are carving and visiting, and during the ornament exchange. There will be coffee, water, and a holiday punch provided.



Carolyn Vigil

COLORADO CARVERS CLUB BALLOT Election of Officers For 2025 12-7-24

Nominees for Members at Large Vote for two.

- David Tjarks
- _____ Floor Nominee
- _____ Floor Nominee

Nominees for President:

- Amy Eha
- _____ Floor Nominee
- _____ Floor Nominee

Nominees for Vice-President:

- Kathleen Rienhart
- _____ Floor Nominee
- _____ Floor Nominee

Nominees for Secretary:

- Karen Stalman
- _____ Floor Nominee
- _____ Floor Nominee

Nominees for Treasurer:

- Morgan Walton
- _____ Floor Nominee
- _____ Floor Nominee

Library News

from Celia Schefe...

The book sale did not happen in November due to our meeting being cancelled because of very snowy weather. We plan to have the sale at the January meeting. It's a real deal!



Any library materials you have checked out will be due at the January meeting. December is strictly party time.

Dues

Heads up that the annual club dues for 2025 need to be paid in January (2025).



This is only \$25.00 per year for the entire year for your entire family. That - is a really good deal!

Please make checks payable to the Colorado Carvers Club. You may pay them at the January Club meeting or mail them to our PO Box.

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December Birthdays

Sharon Baxter December 3	Kathy Reinhart December 18
Jim Bohn December 3	Darwin Baxter December 20
Ben Kembel December 3	Carla Thorpe December 20
Don Rieker December 10	Merelee (Mel) Whitcomb December 25



Rob & Susan Summers
December 13, 1970

Frank & Judy Pillow
December 31, 1966

For Sale....

I have a few really nice knives for sale I have **never used**. Go figure. Two are Drakes knives and two OCCT. The Drake knives retail for \$50. I am selling for \$23. The OCCTs retails for \$30 - selling for \$15.

One Drake has a 2 1/2" blade and the other has a 2" blade. The OCCT Roughout has a 1 3/4" blade. The other is a mini detail knife.

If anyone is interested, let me know.
Polly White (pollywhite@comcast.net)



January Seminar

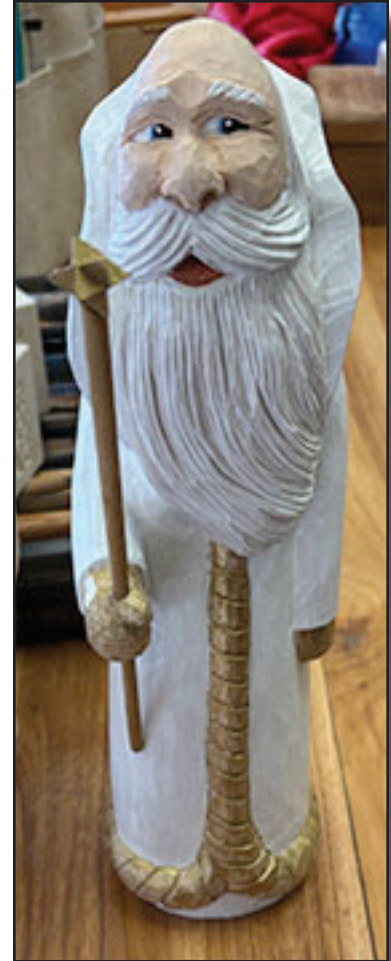
from Jan Skuderna...

Join **Terry Koger** as he teaches us to carve a Christmas ornament. You can choose a light bulb for \$1 or a tree for \$2. Bring a sharp knife and a small gouge or v-tool.



Carver's Projects

Al Vigil



*Photos from
Wednesday
carving at
the Clements
Center*

Brian McKay

Carving Tip...

Know the location of the sharp edge (or spinning bit) and where it could go. Not only do you not want any of your (or anyone else's) body parts near them, this knowledge will improve your carving. If you're always aware of the location of the cutting edge of the tool, especially the tip, you'll make more deliberate cuts, and your carving will turn out better. *(Source: Floyd Rhadigan, 2016 Woodcarving Illustrated Magazine's Woodcarver of the Year)*



Carver's Projects



Phil Cipri

Rob Summers

Brian McKay

Polly White



Carver's Projects



Ron Otero



Brian McKay

Rob Summers



Mountain Woodcarvers

Rockler

TREELINE

Carolina Tupelo

Fan Carvers World

Flex Tools

RAMS PRODUCTS

Dockyard Tools

Razer Tip

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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and improved website
courtesy of Dave Tjarks!**

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Barnum Recreation Center

360 Hooker St. Denver
Open Carving Mondays 11am - 1pm
barnum.recreation@denvergov.org

Clements Center

1580 Yarrow St, Lakewood

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

Windsor Gardens Crafters & Carvers

Contact: Howard Fistell
Howard@totalspeed.com
303.667.6000

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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