

# The Colorado Carver



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July 2024

## President's Corner — Amy Eha

**W**OW - What a fun 5 days we had! Carving in the Rockies had it all this year:

- exceptional instructors,
- fun people,
- great projects, and
- food!

A HUGE thank you goes out to **Kathleen Reinhart, Rob Summers** and their crew, and **Dave Tjarks** and **Carolyn Vigil's** lunches. This is an exceptional event and we all should be very proud of it.

July is a transition month. We're back to business with monthly meetings, there will be walking sticks for our community project and roughouts available (small donations appreciated) and we turn our focus toward the annual show. Can you believe it is only 2 ½ months away! Show booklets will be available at the meeting, online and in this newsletter. You know the drill – reserve your tables early for a weekend of fun.

We have so much more going on. Please ask any Board member about upcoming events or any questions you have. YOU make our Club unique. YOU are why it is successful. We thank YOU!

## CITR Kitchen Recap

**A** big thanks to everyone who brought goodies during Carving in the Rockies week. The barbeque pork lunch on Sunday was a great addition to our week. Thank you, **Dave Tjarks**, for the delicious pork and beans. We even had left-overs for Monday! Hot dog Tuesday was popular also. One participant told me that he likes the lunches because it gives him a chance to interact with other carvers from the different classes. Thank you, **Celia Sheffe**, for the gluten free buns and goodies for those with special needs.

I also want to thank everyone who helped me at the end of each meal to clear tables and wash dishes. I hope those dish-pan hands didn't hinder your carving, **Theresa Vitolo** and **Kathy Reinhart!** Thank you **Karen Stalman** and **Rick Reynolds** for offering any help I might need. I also have to thank my friend **Sharon Baxter** who really pitched in to help me on Wednesday while her husband, **Darwin**, was in class.

While I am at it, I would like to thank all of you who contribute goodies for our monthly meetings.

You Colorado Carvers are Number One in my book.

— Carolyn Vigil

## July Birthdays & Anniversaries

Donela Roberts July 4	Elsie Pacheco July 14
Mike Cochran July 6	David Tjarks July 17
Michael Eha July 6	Clay Hollandsworth July 21
Jim Bane July 8	Polly White July 23
Elizabeth Yrineo July 13	Mary Rogacki July 24
Joseph Sikora July 26	



Al & Carolyn Vigil  
July 9, 1966

Steve & Cathie Harris  
July 13, 1996

## July Seminar

The seminar in July will be led by **Theresa Vitolo**. It's hearts on a stump. No cost. Bring a knife and a gouge.



## 2024 Calendar



### Carving & Meetings SATURDAYS

July 13, 2024  
 August 10, 2024  
 September 14 -15 – Annual Show  
 October 12, 2024  
 November 9, 2024  
 December 7, 2024 \*\* 1st Saturday

### Meeting Schedule

Carving Seminars 9 - 11:15 a.m.- treats  
 Meeting 11:15 - Show & Tell

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

*“I don't deserve this award,  
 but I have arthritis and I  
 don't deserve that either.”*

*—Jack Benny*

# Carving in the Rockies Recap

**C**ITR 2024 was successful with enough “hiccups” to make for great stories. Even though two out of the five days had only 3 classes instead of 4 classes, we had 138 registrations for classes overall. We also had good participation at the Open Carving Table each day and the Drop-in Paint and Finishing session. Thank you, **Brian McKay** for volunteering your time to share your expert knowledge. The Grange was always full of great carving, excellent instruction, visiting and positive energy. The three-hour power outage at the Grange couldn’t deter us from getting on with our classes. Fortunately, it was not on the hottest day!



I can never thank enough, the members who show up to set-up, tidy-up and then break down the event. **Rick Reynolds** and **Karen Stalman** were invaluable in taking on the “lead” of daily tasks. Then of course, there were members who just got it done when it needed to be done. We are fortunate to have the Grange as our venue and we try to be very respectful in taking care of the facility.

The swamp cooler and fans kept us comfortable for most of the day, with a few toasty hours. Thank you to all the people who brought up tables for our use. It reduces the number of tables that need to be carried upstairs.

Our wonderful **Carolyn Vigil** took such good care of all the participants with drinks, snacks and lunches. **David Tjarks** treated us to a pitmaster worthy BBQ lunch on Sunday and then Carolyn served us our “annual” hot dog lunch on Tuesday. The lunches have enhanced our sense of community and given us opportunities to get to know each other better. Of course, all the treats brought in by members are always enjoyed.

**Jan Skuderna** totally surpassed any previous “bucket drawing” ticket sales this year. We will need to wait for the final tally of CITR to know exactly what the \$ amount is, but it was epic. Everyone who won was thrilled with items they wanted, perhaps needed, or didn’t need at all, but enjoyed supporting the club.

I appreciate **Rob Summers** for his extraordinary ability to flawlessly navigate all the registration and instructor financials. I also count on him to keep a calm and steady head during the CITR organizational process. We were able to bring in registrants from well beyond our own club this year. 53 individuals signed up for classes! We are always grateful to our instructors who are so generous with their time and knowledge. CITR is a unique opportunity for carvers to try new carving styles, improve their carving skills, and meet talented carving instructors/artists. All this, at a reasonable cost and in a flexible format.

Thank you, Colorado Carvers Club and all the good-hearted instructors for making this event possible.

*Sincerely,*  
**Kathleen Reinhart**

## Library News

from Celia Schefe...



**M**ay/June donations are: from **Steve Harris** ENCYCLOPEDIA OF WOOD, MAKE YOUR WOODWORKING PAY FOR ITSELF, MASTERING HAND TOOL TECHNIQUES, CHARACTER DESIGN STUDIO, USEFUL TECHNIQUES FOR WOODCARVERS. DECORATIVE WOODCARVING, CARVING SIGNS, ART OF CHIP CARVING, CHIP CARVING, and other books and magazines.

**Ben Kembel** donated 3 books. **Kelli Ward** donated a CD WILD AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS. **Polly White** gave us 9 books and HOW TO CARVE AND PAINT TOTEM POLES. **Rob Summers** contributed Wood Carving, issue 200, a British wood carving magazine.

Last but not least **Ralph Mueller** gave us his magazine collections: Chip Chats, Wood Carving Illustrated, Mallet, special edition magazines, and Wood Carving (British magazine). Thank you all so much!

## CITR Pics



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*Carolina Tupelo*

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## 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

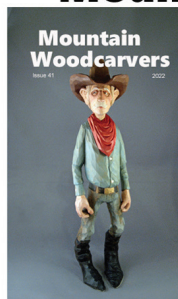
## Pikes Peak Whittlers

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

**Check out our new  
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](mailto:barnum.recreation@denvergov.org)

## Clements Center

1580 Yarrow St, Lakewood

Open Carving Wednesdays 9am - 1pm  
\$2.00 drop-in fee

## 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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