

NEWSLETTER

May 2024

Mission Statement

To educate and provide knowledge in the art of woodcarving to all ages through demonstrations as well as workshops.

Fun Fact

Trees never die of old age. Insects, diseases and people are usually the killers.

We had two great carving sessions this past month.

The first one was with Marty Dolphens carving a bust out of butternut. We had the choice of a Cherokee Indian or a Pony Express rider. We had a class of 16 carvers, 6 who had never used mallet carving tools. Everyone did outstanding work and this just goes to show the caliber of instructors that we bring in.

The other carving session was one that we held was for Kalon Prep students. This is the third time we have held these classes for them. We had 12 carvers. We did cottonwood bark feathers. Everyone finished with a completed project and some even did two. These students are great to work with. Very attentive, artistic and appreciative of the class.

This ended a carving season for the year. We will start up again with classes in the Fall.

On May 18th we will be getting together to have David Refsal show us how to paint an Ale bowl. We will also be working on our whistles that we are going to hand out at the Youth Outdoor event later this year.

July 10th we will be doing a carving class at Smoky Timber Lodge. We will be carving a cardinal bird. We have several styles available. It is from 1 to 4 pm. Anyone available to help that day let us know. I have a meeting that day but it does not start until 5 pm so I will be available for a few hours.

Never too early to start putting together some on your carving projects for the Douglas County Fair. We will also be doing carving demonstrations at the fair.

I am presently applying for a Grant from REA. It is called Operation Round Up.

New webpage. Going forward our newsletter will be on the webpage. You will need to access it to see it at www.alexandriacarvers.com



Our September carving class will be with Troy Helget. We will be doing wood ducks. This looks exciting and I am sure we will get a lot of carvers wanting to be part of this class. If, for no other reason, just for all the fun we have. Let Sonya know if you want to sign up.



Newsletter/Dues

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2024 dues can be paid anytime

Dues are Adult or family = \$30
Junior members = \$5

Martys Class

2nd day of a 3 day class



Kalon Prep Academy



Waiting for students to arrive



Class has started



Coming Events

Apr 5,6,7	8:00–5:00 pm	Marty Dolphens	Butternut bench “Bust”
May 18	All day	Painting ale bowls	
July 10th	1:00–4:00 pm	Smoky Timber Lodge	Cardinal bird
August 14 -17	All Day	Douglas County Fair	Demonstrations
August 25th	9:00 am–3:00 pm	Youth Outdoor	Demonstrations
Sept	3 days	Troy Helget	Wood ducks on pond
Oct 11,12,13	3 days	Marty Dolphens	Santa
Nov	1 day		Carving a mirror
Dec	3 day	Jim Brooks	Whimsical in the round