

# TRI – VALLEY WOODCARVERS

## California Carvers Guild, Chapter 5

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## Our next Meeting

Saturday September 10, 2011  
10:30 A.M. (pre-meeting activities – 9:00 A.M.)  
Pleasanton Senior Center

## From The Pres

By Bob Kehl

Hello TVC Carvers, we are rapidly approaching our September BIG event, our show!!! We have sent out the brochure with a letter to last year's participants and also to the northern California carving clubs. Many thanks to Dave Boles, Joan Cousins, and Mike Pocha for getting this info out. Jack Vincent and Joel Ellihoff have already received entries and table requests, so we are off and running.

Many of you are working on the silent auction and raffle prizes. Five carving tool totes, hand decorated gourds, canes, and carvings are in progress for the show. I am working to finish the reef table soon and hope to show the final product by the next meeting. If you have an item to donate to the raffle or auction let us know by our next meeting on Sept. 10th.

The Pen turning classes for the week before the show is ready to start for the Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of September 12, 14, & 16. The Senior Center shop has all of the tools and equipment for the three different classes, maximum participants of five people per class. Our teacher, Larry Synder, indicates he can finish two pens in about 4 hours with a beginner. The class starts at 9am each day and is \$50 for all materials for making two pens, two pencils, or a combination of one of each. We already have had some signups for the class on Friday from outside of the area.

I have met with Mike Budesilich, who is teaching the fish carving class the week following the show. Mike has provided detailed hand out info for carving a 13" Rainbow Trout. The class will be at Ken's shop starting about 9am and finishing at 4pm each day. The cost for this class is \$150 and includes all materials. Mike indicates we should be able to finish the carving, less painting and habitat, by the end of the week. Tools for the class mainly are a knife, small hand tools, and a small power grinder. Space is limited in this class to twelve people, and we already have six people signed up, so let me know by Sept 10th. if you want to take this class.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

To join carvers on **Mondays in Manteca** contact Beatrice Machado.

To join carvers all day on **Mondays in San Jose** contact Jack Vincent.

To join carvers all day on **Tuesdays in Pleasanton** or **Thursday Evenings in Pleasanton & Livermore** contact Bob Kehl or Ken Morgan

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**SEPTEMBER 17 – 18, 2011 OUR ANNUAL WOODCARVING SHOW; 10:00am – 4:00pm.** Display tables are \$18.00 and Vendor tables are \$25.00. Table fee includes 2 FREE ENTRIES for judging. **New this year:** 4 ft half tables will be available for \$9.00 including 1 FREE ENTRY. Demonstrators welcome! (Entry form attached.)

**September 19 thru 23:** “Fish” carving class with *Mike Budesilich* at *Ken Morgan’s* shop. \$150.00 for 5 day class, includes all materials, even the eyes. Limit of 12 people so contact *Bob Kehl* by Sept. 10th!

**October 8:** Demo at “Resident appreciation event” Forest Home Farms Historic Park 10am-2pm. We have a business meeting the same day, but if you are interested in representing TVC, contact: *Bob Kehl* by September 16th.

**November 4:** Class with *Debbie Edwards* at the Sawdust Shop in Sunnyvale. Leaping Lynx in the Snow, approximate cost of \$225.00 ... contact *Ken Morgan*.

**April 15th – 22nd, 2012,** The Oakhurst Show... sign-ups are accepted now.

**TVC BANQUET AT CATTLEMENS**

Saturday, September 17

Open Bar: 5:00-5:30

Dinner: 5:30-8:00

\$26.00(tax/tip included)

Once again, it’s time to start getting your taste buds ready for our annual TriValley Carvers Show banquet. This year our dinner will be at the Livermore CATTLEMENS. As you can see below, there is a great variety of menu selections. All you have to do is give your check to *Mike Pocha* or send  
*(continued next column)*

it in with your show registration to hold your spot. (\$26.00 per person) We need to have an accurate guest count by Sept. 1, so please don’t delay!

**MENU:**

All selections (below) include a Baked Potato, All-You-Can-Eat Salad, Sourdough Bread, Ranch Style Beans, Soda, Coffee or Tea

- Broiled Top Sirloin Steak
- Grilled King Salmon – 10oz.grilled fillet with a side of creamy dill sauce and fresh lemon
- Teriyaki Chicken – A full chicken breast glazed in Cattlemens own teriyaki sauce
- Cheese Ravioli – 10 jumbo spinach/ricotta cheese ravioli tossed in marinara, topped with parmesan
- Dessert – Choice: Cheesecake or Chocolate Outlaw Cake (with chocolate mousse filling and icing)

**CATTLEMENS RESTAURANT**

2882 Kitty Hawk Road  
Livermore, CA 94550

<http://www.beststeakinthewest.com/>

**DRIVING FROM PLEASANTON:** Heading East on Hwy 580, take the AIRWAY BLVD. exit, go straight through the stoplight on Kitty Hawk Road, then make a right into Cattlemens parking lot.

**Wood Inventory**

**Basswood available at Sr. Ctr.**

Qty	Description	Price
1	1x8x10	\$4.25
1	2x7x12	\$9.00
3	3x7x12	\$13.50
2	4x6x12	\$17.50
2	4x8x12	\$23.50
2	1x16 barkwood	\$12.00
2	3/8x6x12	\$2.50

**We also have:**

Walnut, Sycamore and several others. Contact *Ken Morgan*.

## Member Highlights

Text & photo by Bob Kehl

Featured below is Dave Gregory with his carved wheelbarrow. A replica of this one was presented in the Art under the oaks garden display. Dave enjoys carving various items in the folk art style. Dave has been carving “many” years and likes to use the carvings in his house, yard or gives them as gifts. Dave helps the TVC with tool sharpening demos at the show and as a former Director in the CCG. He also likes to carve the first letter of kids names which he gives to them at TVC demos. Another of Dave’s passions is collecting antique wood carving tools. If you can think of most any tool, Dave probably has it in his collection.



“THINK ABOUT’S” ©

(New series by Joan Cousins)

*“The chance of the bread falling with the buttered side down is directly proportional to the cost of the carpet.” ~~~ Murphy’s Law of Selective Gravity ~~~*

*“The chance of a freshly glued piece of wood falling with the glue side down is directly proportional to the value of the newly finished carving it is headed for, or the cost of the tools in the open box over which it is hovering.” ~~~ Cousins’ Law of Selective Gravity ~~~*

## Minutes

August 13, 2011 Business Meeting

**Pre-Meeting Events:** *General carving, sharing and camaraderie.*

**Meeting Opened:** Opened at 10:30 by *Bob Kehl, President*, at the Pleasanton Sr. Center

**Welcome new members and guests:** Welcome to guest new member, *Merv Cornelsen (& Edith)*.

**Secretary’s Report and Communications:**

Minutes by *Joan Cousins* sent via Email & printed in the newsletter. Accepted as printed. ‘Thank you’ letters sent to *Richard Siburkis* for donation of sign lettering; *Alice Shaffer* for cash and tool donations; and *Santa Clara Woodcarvers* for donation of soap for kids carving.

**Treasurer’s Report:** by *Mike Pocha*.. Report accepted as submitted.

**President’s Report by Bob Kehl:**

\*\*\* We should add our classes to the “calendar” section in the newsletter and be sure old dates are deleted.

\*\*\* Fish carving with *Mike B.* will be the week following our Show. Cost is \$150.00 (\$50. material, \$100. to Club).

\*\*\* *Bob K.* contact *Bob Dailey* for Bark Bass with thicker bark on the edges.

\*\*\* *Dave & Sally Nigh* from Michigan donated a Fan Bird for our Show Raffle.

\*\*\* *Alice Shaffer* donated \$218.00 from sale of tools. Remaining tools will be sold, auctioned or raffled at our Show.

**CA Carving Guild (CCG):**

\*\*\* N/A

**TVC 2011 SHOW, Sept 17 & 18:**

\*\*\* The VETS building will be open at 8:00am to 9:00am for Show Participants, the doors will open at 10:00 for the public.

\*\*\* We strongly encourage all judging entries be brought on Friday evening to Ken’s shop. Some entries will also be accepted on Saturday morning from 8:00am – 9:00am.

\*\*\* Table assignments will be given when the money for tables is received. *Joel* reports only 5 entries to date.

\*\*\* *Carlos Blea* has volunteered to head the People Choice committee. He will need ballots and boxes for voters.

\*\*\* *Ken Morgan* will provide 3 extra tables for judging stage area.

\*\*\* *Pleasanton Fair Grounds* provide RV parking for \$28.00 per night, reserve in advance. *Bob K.* has the number.

\*\*\* Rectangle glass for the Reef Table has been cut into an oval (estimated cost \$40.00) and side enclosures will be made. *Bob Kehl* will make "Tube Worm" gussets for added support. (He says Tube Worms are edible ... uggg!)

\*\*\* **County Store items:** Please bring your "quality" donated items in with *prices already on them!*

\*\*\* **Also need priced items for the Silent Auction, Welcome Table, & Raffle Table. These all help pay for our Show! PLEASE make your items something of quality that you, yourself, would want to bid on or buy tickets to win and take home!!! We need the items by the next meeting (9/10/11) so we can get all the details for each item completed.**

\*\*\* *Joan Cousins* brought boxes of priced donation items to be used for the Show as determined by the committees.

\*\*\* Group agreed to use \$100.00 for Bruce H. and Bob K. to spend for drawing prizes at the Show dinner.

\*\*\* *Joanne Carroll* (chief Judge) broke her foot so will have to do judging in a downstairs location. Bob K. will announce location when determined!

\*\*\* Cost of **Raffle tickets** was raised this year : **\$2.00 each or 3/\$5.00 or 6/\$10.00**

\*\*\* Saturday night dinner, 5:30 – 8:00 at

**Cattleman's in Livermore.** Dinner reservations by **Sept 1** (Sept 10 deadline) \$26.00 per person, must be paid to *Mike Pocha* by **September 10<sup>th</sup>** along with table, judging and registration funds.

\*\*\* There will be a whittling contest on both Sat and Sun with prizes of (1<sup>st</sup>) \$25.00, (2<sup>nd</sup>) \$15.00 and (3<sup>rd</sup>) \$5.00. *Rick Jensen* and *Gordon Moody* will have 50 blocks of wood ready for the 2 days and also run the contests.

\*\*\* **CHOLULA Hot Sauce Competition:** *Bob Kehl* has blanks at \$1.00 each. More complete information on back of Show registration form. 1<sup>st</sup> three winners each receive \$175.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> three winners each receive \$100.00.

\*\*\* TVC Show registration form, with all updates, is in The Log and will also be in our TVC Aug and Sept newsletters. *Joan Cousins* brought 15 copies for the members to use and/or copy.

\*\*\* *Dave Boles* brought new Show fliers for mailing. *Mike Pocha* will mail to last year's participants and new prospects.

### Veterans Memory Cane Projects:

\*\*\* If YOU want to become part of this rewarding project by carving an Eagle Memorial cane please contact *Bob K.*

\*\*\* If YOU, or someone you know, would like to donate \$\$ to this valued service project contact *Mike Pocha*, Treas.

### Old Business:

\*\*\* Since the FLAGPOLE series has aired on CA GOLD, we have received requests for items from the old Flagpole. *Joan C.* volunteered to be the central contact for these requests. Any member with carvings, burnings and/or turnings is asked to let *Joan* know *what you have and the price.* She will compile a complete list from *Mike Pocha's* files along with requested input from members, and "connect the dots" between willing artist and potential buyer.

\*\*\* *Bob Kehl*, with *Lydia & Bill Bender*, will follow through with other assorted requests. *Anyone else want to help?*

\*\*\* Members name tags may be ordered for \$12.00 each, either pin back or magnetic back, contact Bob K. to order.

### New Business:

\$\$\$ ... We have a request from our Web Site ... a lady wants to have a lid carved for an heirloom ceramic jar. *Steve Gramberg* may be interested. Anyone else interested in this *paying* project, please contact Bob K. and/or *Lydia Bender*.

### Carving Opportunities and Coming Events:

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### **Good of the Order:**

\*\*\* WELCOME to NEW MEMBER *Merv Cornelsen*. *Merv* is a long time carver and his wife said it was about time for him to join our group? *Merv* does caricature carvings and belongs to the Caricature Carvers of Calif.

\*\*\* *Bob Larsen* is home, all conditions are clearing and he is ready to start chemo, our prayers to him and his family!

\*\*\* Our deep gratitude to *Alice Shaffer* for donation of monies from tool sales and the remainder of the tools.

\*\*\* The son of a past member would like to sell his Dad's Delta sander, 6" belt, 12" disc, call 925-828-8195

**Monthly Drawing:** *Bob Kehl* was the winner of our monthly ticket drawing for a \$\$\$ gift certificate at the Woodcraft Store in Dublin. You only have to attend this business meeting in order to *be a winner!* See you next month?

**NOTE:** Turn in your Woodcraft receipts to *Ken*, 3% returned to us in the form of a gift certificate for monthly drawing! If we don't have enough in receipts for the gift certificates we buy them so there will always be a drawing at the meeting.

**Minutes:** Taken and transcribed by *Joan Cousins*, Secretary. Meeting closed 11:55 AM. (*Again, great clean up job folks.*)

## Attention Flagpole Artists!!!

The **CA GOLD** series with **Huell Howser** is now being aired and we are getting requests for items, as seen on TV, that were made from the Flagpole. Some are for items shown and some are for something similar.

**HELP ...** if you have any remaining items from the Livermore Flagpole PLEASE send this information to Joan Cousins. Send by Email, regular mail or phone her with the information!

**NEEDED ASAP:** Title of item/description, Size/measurements, and Your Selling price.

**ALSO** let Joan know if you would be willing to make another similar item from the Flagpole.

This whole Flagpole opportunity was such a wonderful gift to us, both to help promote carving and to sell our wares, now it's our turn to "pay it forward".

## Featured Photos

By Bob Kehl



### Our Show raffle prize

The table, as modified to an oval, is 24" high and the top is an oval 35" x 28" including the frame.

**Tri-Valley Show & Competition**  
*Veterans Memorial Hall, 301 Main St, Pleasanton, Ca*  
*Sept. 17 & 18, 2011*

**DEADLINE: Must be received by SEPT. 10, 2011**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ CCG# \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter# \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone#(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor Table 8ft \$18.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ (2 free entries in competition)  
                   Table-4ft \$ 9.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ (1 free entry in competition)  
 Vendor Table 8ft \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ (2 free entries in competition)  
 Entries only \$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ (no more than 4 entries)  
 Dinner Saturday \$26.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ 5:30p.m. @ Cattleman Steakhouse, 2882 Kitty Hawk Rd., Livermore  
 Total Submitted \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Permit # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you have special electrical needs? Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Whittling Contest \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday ( See Rick Jensen, Gordon Moody )  
 Cholula Hot Sauce Competition Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Tri-Valley Wood Carvers**  
**MAIL TO: Jack Vincent 7443 Stonedale Dr., Pleasanton, CA 94588**

**Category Entry form:** Please use one entry form for each carver entering the competition. Refer to the Carver's Guide to CCG Carving Competition for entry rules, class and category descriptions.

Class: (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Novice \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_\_ Expert

**Categories**

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> BB, Bird Burned          | <input type="checkbox"/> FB, Fish Burned         | <input type="checkbox"/> PY, Pyrography                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BC, Bird Caricature      | <input type="checkbox"/> FC, Fish Caricature     | <input type="checkbox"/> RB, Reptile Burned                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BN, Bird Natural         | <input type="checkbox"/> FN, Fish Natural        | <input type="checkbox"/> RC, Reptile Caricature                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BP, Bird Painted         | <input type="checkbox"/> FP, Fish Painted        | <input type="checkbox"/> RN, Reptile Natural                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BS, Bird Stylized        | <input type="checkbox"/> FS, Fish Stylized       | <input type="checkbox"/> RP, Reptile Painted                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DD, Decorative Decoy     | <input type="checkbox"/> HB, Human Burned        | <input type="checkbox"/> RS, Reptile Stylized                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DS, Service Decoy        | <input type="checkbox"/> HC, Human Caricature    | <input type="checkbox"/> RM, Roughout & Machine Carved               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SD, Shore Bird Decoy     | <input type="checkbox"/> HF, Human Fantasy       | <input type="checkbox"/> SA, Santas                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CA, Carousel Animal      | <input type="checkbox"/> HN, Human Natural       | <input type="checkbox"/> SM, Schooled or Mentored                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CC, Chip Carving         | <input type="checkbox"/> HP, Human Painted       | <input type="checkbox"/> TC, Turning with Carving                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CF, Carved Footwear      | <input type="checkbox"/> HS, Human Stylized      | <input type="checkbox"/> TR, Turning                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CJ, Carved Jewelry       | <input type="checkbox"/> MB, Mammal Burned       | <input type="checkbox"/> UT, Utilitarian                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CP, Carved Pipes         | <input type="checkbox"/> MC, Mammal Caricature   | <input type="checkbox"/> WC, Wood Crafting                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CS, Carved Spoons        | <input type="checkbox"/> MN, Mammal Natural      | <input type="checkbox"/> WD, Wood Crafting with Carving              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CM, Mixed Category       | <input type="checkbox"/> MP, Mammal Painted      | <input type="checkbox"/> WH, Whittling                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MA, Carved Masks         | <input type="checkbox"/> MS, Mammal Stylized     | <input type="checkbox"/> WS, Walking Stick & Canes                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DR, Driftwood            | <input type="checkbox"/> NF, Non-human Fantasy   | <input type="checkbox"/> XC, Mixed Caricature                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IN, Intarsia             | <input type="checkbox"/> NR Non-Representational | <input type="checkbox"/> VI, Visually Impaired                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IV, Invertebrates        | <input type="checkbox"/> RB, Burned Relief       | _____ MI, Miscellaneous  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IM, Inlays and Marquetry | <input type="checkbox"/> GB, General Relief      | <input type="checkbox"/> TM, Team Carving (Carvers Names:<br>_____ ) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> KD, Kachina Dolls        | <input type="checkbox"/> PR, Painted Relief      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LP, Little People        | <input type="checkbox"/> PC, Carved Plants       |  |

**GOURD CATEGORIES**

- CG, Carved Gourd

## *Cholula Hot Sauce Competition*

Cholula Hot Sauce Company is sponsoring a Bottle Top Carving Contest for our show.

This is a Judged Competition

Cash Prizes are awarded as follows

1st Prize—Cholula keeps the carving

2nd Prize—Cholula keeps the carving

3rd Prize—Cholula keeps the carving

All receive \$175.00 each

Three additional cash Prizes

Are judged by the 1st, 2nd & 3rd winners.

First three winners receive \$100.00 each AND will keep their carving

Be Sure To Register for this event

Cholula Blanks are passed out during registration

Judging will be held Sunday afternoon at 1 pm.

Carve during the show, take it home, carve all night and return next morning and continue to carve until noon.

