



April - June 2021

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED**

We are still looking for a newsletter editor. Because we haven't had meetings to discuss this and recruit an editor, I (John Allen) will do another issue until we get someone, but am not assuming the role going forward.

***If you're interested in assuming the position of newsletter editor, and producing the next edition due out July 1, 2021, please contact one of the following officers:***

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**Meeting/Carve-in Schedule**

**MEETINGS WILL RESUME IN EAU CLAIRE April 14**

**EAU CLAIRE**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Weds each month, except Nov & Dec (2<sup>nd</sup> Weds only)  
**Business Meetings held only in Eau Claire 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds of each month.**  
6:00-9:00 pm (late arrivals and early departures welcomed!)  
**LE Phillips Senior Center**, 1616 Bellinger St, Eau Claire

**Chippewa Fall Senior Center remains CLOSED. When it opens again, we will go back there.**

**CHIPPEWA FALLS**

Every **Thurs** afternoon, 1:00-4:00 pm  
**Chippewa Falls Senior Center**, 1000 E Grand Ave, Chippewa Falls

**REMINDER:** Annual dues are payable on or before January 1 of each calendar year. Dues are \$20.00 for individuals, \$25.00 for couples. Make checks payable to WWWCG and submit to John Allen, Treasurer. Dues can be mailed to 5952 163<sup>rd</sup> Street, Chippewa falls, WI 54729. Thanks!

## **NOTES from our President:**

It is April, and spring is popping out all around us giving us hope that this will be a great year. Many of us have been vaccinated by now and mass vaccination is beginning. This gives us hope too. The L. E. Phillips Senior Center has re-opened and we may begin having meetings. The Chippewa Falls Senior Center is still closed except for the thrift store.

The mood of the members has certainly gotten better. The November Survey we took last year showed about 50% of members were ready to resume meetings. The survey in February showed 80% of members were ready to go back. We have had some activity, but very little. The activity on Facebook is very weak and the website has been unchanged until recently. There are no new events planned by our club or even other clubs.

There have been a couple of training sessions held by Jan Jenson, but I don't know of any others.

The Chainsaw Championships have been re-scheduled for 2022 for Eau Claire. This is usually a big event for us when it is held. Recently they went to a bi-annual meeting time. That would have put the event on odd years, but COVID has caused that schedule to be changed.

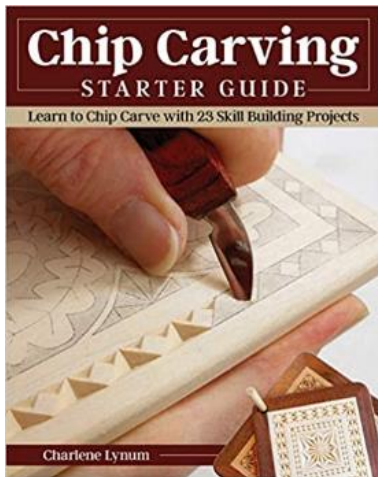
I am concerned about a few things. Can we renew our membership roles to the level they were before COVID? Can we re-organize and begin to schedule events and training as before? What about future relief carving events?

## **Upcoming Events for Discussion**

Here are some things that will be coming up for discussion at our meetings as we get back together:

- Octoberfest in Chippewa Falls –We have been invited to rent a booth for the September 17-18 event. There would be a commitment of time and money. We should discuss and decide soon.
- Relief Carving Class – The possibility of a class exists for this fall but we need to find a location since the Lafayette Town Hall isn't renting space until 2022. If you have ideas, please share them.
- Classes during our Wednesday meetings (and Thursday when we get back) – Before we were forced to take this lengthy break from meeting, we were having frequent mini classes taught by members. We should get this going again as soon as possible.

## CONGRATULATIONS CHARLENE LYNUM



Char Lynum will have a book coming out [November 2, 2021](#). It is being published by Fox Chapel Publishing. The title is: Chip Carving Starter Guide. It has multiple projects with full-size patterns. It includes patterns for beginners, intermediate carvers and award winning patterns to challenge the experienced carver. The cost will be \$14.99. This adventure started last September when she received an email from Fox Chapel with a subject line of "Question for you". It was a project that kept her busy this past fall and winter during the pandemic lock down. It challenged her to come up with new projects, but also includes many of her past projects.

### 20th Annual Woodcarving Show, Competition and Sale The Largest Woodcarving Show in Wisconsin

**Featured Carvers** will conduct seminars Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday September 14, 15, & 16, 2021.

**Vic Hood:** Vic will be teaching, "Carving a realistic human bust in Butternut". The project will be smaller than life-size. Vic has been carving and teaching for over 25 years.

**Gregg Thompson:** In Gregg's class there is a bunch of fun to be had. He encourages students to ask all the crazy questions they can as he is there for them to learn and have a great time. If students have never carved before, he recommends the bear first as it is designed for the true beginner and can be completed in the 3 day time frame. If you are more experienced, he has other caricatures.

**Also Featured:** We are also featuring supplies from Hummel Carving Company, Beloit, WI, and Moore Wood and Roughouts.

Free demonstrations throughout both days

New for 2021 Carving Contest on Sunday morning from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM.

We have an awesome RAFFLE!

**When:** September 18, 2021 – 9am to 5pm  
September 19, 2021 – 9am to 4pm

**Where:** The Holiday Inn  
1001 Amber Avenue  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin 54482

For more details, registration forms, competition categories, exhibitor information, etc., go to

<https://wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org/>

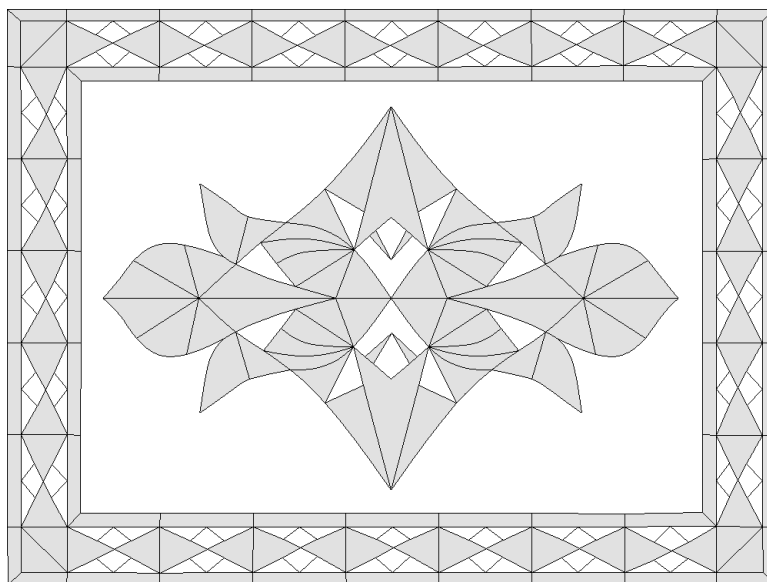
## UPCOMING CLASS WITH JAN JENSEN

Jan Jensen says: In May I will be having another Old World Chip Carving Class at my home. Only 4 students with masks per class at my extended dining room table. Please contact Jan directly at 715-559-4163 with questions and to sign up.

- Because John Allen asked about doing the Star Plate from my second book, I ordered plates to do that project. You can do that plate or I am working on a pattern for the 10" square box. Or do a project of your own choosing. Beginners are always welcome. Classes will start on May 4, Tuesday, 1:00 to 4:30 pm and continue for 4 weeks.

### **A Shared Pattern from Char**

Char has shared a chip carving pattern for the newsletter. The size of the pattern is 3x4 inch. If you decide to use her pattern, please remember to thank her for her creative idea.



## FROM OUR MEMBERS



### **Bruce Saatela**

This was supposed to be the next carving project at Boulder Junction in 2020 so I've been working on it this last winter.

### **JOHN ALLEN**

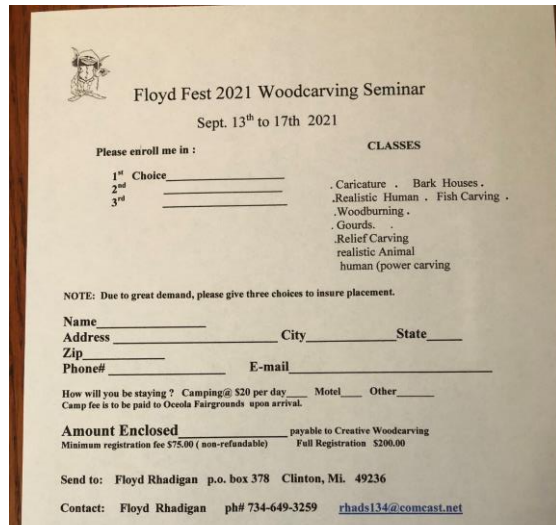
Thank you to Jan for opening up her home for a great series of classes to help us learn the Old World Chip Carving style. The treasure box was the class project and is my biggest chip carving project to date. During the class I had to pick up a few more projects and so far the cross is the only one completed.




**The Newsletter is published Jan 1, Apr 1, Jul 1 & Oct 1. Please send content, topic ideas, photos or anything else (with consideration of copyright law) you might like to see to John Allen at [allen54729@charter.net](mailto:allen54729@charter.net) I will pass everything on to the new editor. Thank you!!**

## An Upcoming Carving Event

One of our members received this information through a member of the Rochester Woodcarvers about a Woodcarving Seminar to be held later this year in Michigan. Be aware that things might still be dynamic with Covid considerations but in case you are interested... This is a distance to travel but if you want to do it, there is enough information here so that you can investigate further. For more information go to [www.fantasycarving.com](http://www.fantasycarving.com) where you can print the brochure and form.



 **Floyd Fest 2021 Woodcarving Seminar**  
Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> 2021

Please enroll me in : CLASSES

1<sup>st</sup> Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
3<sup>rd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Caricature . Bark Houses .  
.Realistic Human . Fish Carving .  
.Woodburning .  
.Gourds.  
.Relief Carving  
realistic Animal  
human (power carving)


NOTE: Due to great demand, please give three choices to insure placement.


Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

How will you be staying ? Camping@ \$20 per day \_\_\_\_\_ Motel \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Camp fee is to be paid to Osceola Fairgrounds upon arrival.

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ payable to Creative Woodcarving  
Minimum registration fee \$75.00 ( non-refundable) Full Registration \$200.00

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 **Floyd Fest 2021**  
Sept 13 -17  
**Evart, Mi.**

**class fee \$200**  
**\$75min.deposit**  
**(non refundable)**

**Confirmation packet will be sent**  
**class confirmation map & Hotel info**

**Camping Osceola Fair Grounds**  
**\$20 per nite**  
**(30 amp electric)**  
**showers & restrooms**  
**24/7**

**Tools & Supplies**  
**Cedar Bird shop**

**Tool shapening**  
**Leon Standish**

**classes for**  
**novice & advanced**

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**Instructors**  
**Realistic Animal**  
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**Mart Lind**  
**Relief Carving**  
**Dylan Goodson**  
**Caricature**  
**F. Rhadigan**  
**Fish Carving**  
**Orlando Villareel**  
**Goard Carving**  
**Karen Brown**  
**Bark Carving**  
**Gary Bytik**  
**Wood Burning**  
**Arlene Murphy**  
**Human (power)**  
**Chris Howard**

