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FROM THE EDITOR

Thanksgiving is coming, I'm still full from last year's turkey. Sit down relax, and enjoy that turkey. But if you rest too long, before you know it Christmas will be here. I bet all Santa's little helpers will be carving up huge sawdust piles.

I've really enjoyed doing the "Cutting Edge" this past year. 50 new members joined our organization. I hope you all renew your membership because I promise to bring you the three B's, better, bigger, and better. Plus I encourage you to send me news about you, I'll have a new column called the BRAG BOX. Send me exciting news about anything you feel like braggin' about.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING and MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!!!

Letters To The Editor

New Members

This guild is the best thing I've heard of since chainsaw sculpture! It's great to know you're out there. It's better to know that I can be a part of it......Thanks for the Cutting Edge.

> Jeff Mohr Foxlake, Illinois

I own a gift shop and gallery here on the Newport HWY and I am very interested in meeting other carvers and sharing information. I am also interested in the contests.

> Artistic Exposure John Schulz Elk, WA

I've been getting newsletters now for about 4 months. Every time I get one I get excited, and read every part of it. This is my only outside news. I appreciate what the Cutting Edge has done. It brings carvers together. I always felt that there was walls and "I'm better than you attitude" or "I don't want anybody to see my secrets". I still think some people still have that. Last year at the annual Tampa contest, I got to see a friend who I haven't seen in 2 years. I got to meet some new friends. Steve Backus who carved right next to me. It. was most exciting. The main thing was when eighteen chainsaws started at the same time. The sound of the roaring, the vibration was a feeling I've never felt. I had the goosee goose. Well, I hope they'll be more fun. I wish I could be there for all the events and maybe some day I will be. That's another good reason for the newsletter. Thanks for sending the newsletter, so my my brains can see that I would be missing alot. As a carver I'm also a entertainer.

> Michael Schroth Jacksonville, FL

Keep the newsletters coming. I aspire to be as good as you guys someday

Ben King Grimsley, TN

NEW MEMBERS

Tell City, IN Jim Taylor Jack White Monterey, CA Seaview, WA Kelso, WA Kirt Halverson Kerry Hargand Jeff Mohr Foxlake, IL John Schulz Elk, WA Jacksonville, Michael Schroth Jack Holt Shelton, WA Longfeather Sandy, OF Shelton, WA OR Bob Murray Ben King Grimsley, TN

SHELTON'S

2ND ANNUAL CARVING CONTEST

Eighteen carvers participated in the 2nd Annual Carving contest held in Shelton, Washington, Oct. 7 & 8. Once again Charlie Hubbard was able to conjure up some nice chunks of cedar and create an atmosphere of fun for all carvers involved.

This was an open class competition, with novices and professional carvers competing for the top prize of \$500. There was no theme so it was the battle of the eagles. Out of the eighteen carvers participating half had an eagle in their production.

When the chips stopped flying and the chainsaw exhaust smoke settled, the carvers started patting each on the back congratulating each on a job well done by all. The judges and the crowd went to work to somehow come up with a winner. Although there were many eagles carved, none of them were alike in story. There was a couple wildlife scenes, with trees, fish, and one even had a mountain lion in there. Besides the eagles, they're were some other interesting carvings. A mermaid, a gargoyle, an Indian chief on the lookout, a happy old sailor with his three legged dog, a wizard bench, a buffalo, a couch potato's dream - an overstuffed coach with TV, and Santa Claus even made an appearance (a little early) in wood that is. There were also two quick carve contests. Day one was won by Steve Backus and Day two winner was Don Etue.

The Peoples Choice Award

Charlie Hubbard, Shelton, WA

Judges Choice Award

- 1st Don Etue, Fruitland, WA
- 2nd Steve Backus, Clinton, WA 3rd Dexter Lewis, Freeland, WA
- 4th Longfeather, Sandy, Oregon



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PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD



DEXTER LEWIS



DAN WHITED

Tales From The Cutting Edge

This poem was written by by Robert Service, born in England in 1874. He has traveled all over the world

and his poetry is usually about wandering and adventure. Pat McVay, the assistant editor, suggested that this would be a great poem for you carvers because it talks about a race of men that just don't fit in. Kind of like people who carve with chainsaws.

THE MEN THAT DON'T FIT IN

There's a race of men that don't fit in,
A race that can't stay still;
So they break the hearts of kith and kin,
And they roam the world at will.
They range the field and they rove the flood,
And they climb the mountain's crest:
Theirs is the curse of the gypsy blood,
And they don't know how to rest.

If they just went straight they might go far:
They are strong and brave and true;
But they're always tired of the things that are,
And they want the strange and new.
They say: "Could I find my proper groove,
What a deep mark I would make!"
So they chop and change, and each fresh move
Is only a fresh mistake.

And each forgets, as he strips and runs
With a brilliant, fitful pace,
It's the steady, quiet, plodding ones
Who win in the lifelong race.
And each forgets that his youth has fled,
Forgets that his prime is past,
Till he stands one day, with a hope that's dead,
In the glare of the truth at last.

He has failed, he has failed; he has missed his chance; He has just done things by half.

Life's been a jolly good joke on him,
And now is the time to laugh,
Ha, ha! He is one of the Legion Lost;
He was never meant to win,
He's a rolling stone, and it's bred in the bone;
He's a man who wont' fit in.

Results from the
1st Annual Putting Zoo Carving Contest
at
Sumner, Washington

1st Place Dan Whited 2nd Place Kerry Hargand 3rd Place Roy Jackson

LakeBay, WA Kelso, WA LakeBay, WA

Ten carvers participated in this two day evert, held October 1 and 2. Dan Whited who carved a very realistic iguana climbing up some rocks was the run away winner.

This event was sponsored by The Putting Zoo, Cutters Supply, Samco, and Gina's Deli.



Consign your carvings today!!!

Samon Landscaping & Nursery is located 2 miles south of HWY 512 on west side of Canyon Road E., Peyallup, WA. Look for wood carvings.

THE DATE FOR THE CHRISTMAS
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HAS NOT YET
SEEN SET.

MEETING, MEETING, MEETING

There will be an open board of directors meeting, members of the Guild are welcome to join in. The meeting will be held Sunday, Nov. 13 at Jason's Restaurant, phone 845-7367. 1402 S. Meridian St. Puyallup, WA. This location is south of the Puyallup Fairgrounds off of Meridian St. South. The meeting will start at 10AM.



OPPORTUNITY

Don't miss the 14th Annual Woodcarving Show and Sale presented by Northwest Carvers Association

November 12-13, 1994 Saturday: 10-5 Sunday: 10-4 Western Washington Fairgrounds Expo Hall 9th & Meridian, Puyallup, Washington

Cascade Chainsaw Guild Members You are welcome to set up and carve out front of the Expo Building

The Northwest Carvers Association does have a Chainsaw category. If you would like to enter a piece in this division have you're sculpture there by Nov. 10 or 11. To enter your carvings contact Northwest Carvers Association, 206/ 584-4569.

Don't miss this world class event!!!!

Howdy Partner! The Marlboro Man here. Have you thought of your new resolutions? I've thought of mine. I have two, one is to send in my dues so I can continue receiving the "Cutting Edge". The other is to get rid of this nagging cough. So, don't hesitate, cuz' if you do, it'll be too late.

Make your checks out for \$20 to the Cascade Chainsaw Sculptors

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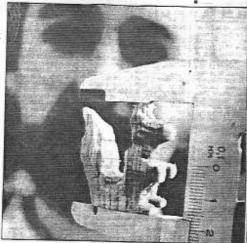
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HOT TIP

When you go to your local hardware store to buy carving sealers, finishes, and paints, do you feel like crying because of the high prices? Well, do You?!

If your answer was "yes" this tip can help you.

Most town and cities now have very good recycling programs. Check with your county recycling outfit and ask them about the household hazadous waste. Many homeowners buy paint, finishes, and sealers and use just a little and are anxious to get rid of them. The household hazadous waste people takes in these products and recycles them. They are more than happy to give them away to any willing soul for free! You'll be suprised with the selection they have.



MINIATURE - Mario Tabozzi et son écureuil de 3,4 cm de hant après sa lentative de record du monde - réussiel - de la plus petite pièce jamais sculptée à la trongomeuse, hier au Compteir Suisse à Lausanne. Mario Tabozzi, listructeur-bischeron de métite est vice-champion du monde 33 de bûcheronnage. Le record qu'il a réalisé en 20 minutes avec une trongonneuse de modèle standard sera inscrit au Guinness Book des Records.

This was taken out of a Swiss newspaper, September 1994. It translates - Mario Tubozzi holds his squirret which is 3.4cm tail. He holds the tentative world record for carring the smallest sculpture ever with a chainsaw. Mario teaches logging skills and was the champion of the 93 worldchampionships. The record carring was done in 30 minutes and used a standard model chainsaw. It will be inscribe in the Guianess Book of World Records

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TTTTTTTTTT A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Fellow Earthling's:

Winters' icy grasp is almost within reach. For those in more northern climates, the stiff finger's associated with it, cut into what daylight there is.

We are bumping and grinding along up here, in our corner of this great land. We are getting ready for Christmas, keeping warm, carving up a storm, and looking forward to next years' contest's and event's

For you carver's out there who want to try a contest, but can't travel to one, have a contest yourself. Try and get one or more sponsors: 1.) WOOD, 2.) PRIZES, 3.) FUN

That's the big three.

I'm sure wherever you are, there is another carver somewhere close. Get together and put on a show. The guild newsletter is an excellent source of information, on "How to do Contests". It just depends on how much volunteerism you suffer from. If they last over a period of time, it's good for you and everyone who comes. If the contests don't work for whatever reason, let them go back to the earth.

Well gotta roll. Remember no good deed goes unpunished.

Steve Backus, President Cascade Carvers Guild

Q: How do you get a one armed woodcarver out of a tree?

A: Wave at him.



UPDATE!! UPDATE!! UPDATE!!

I listed on page 4 that the Date for the Christmas contest at Samco Landscaping & Nursery has not yet been set. Well, I just received word just moments before I mailed out the newsletter - that the contest will be on either Dec. 9 or 10. For more information contact Steve Backus or Carla Goudy 206/537-6263.

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