



Chips & Tips

Newsletter of the Santa Clara Valley Carvers – Chapter #1 California Carvers Guild

November 2023

SCVC is a non-profit educational (501-C) organization under the California Carvers Guild. The Santa Clara Carvers meet Mondays 10AM-2PM, and Thursdays 7PM-9PM, so that we can accommodate diverse schedules. Monday meetings are held at the Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center at 208 E. Main, Los Gatos, CA. For Thursday meetings, contact Dave Osterlund at d_osterlund@msn.com or Contact: Alan Huntzinger .

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PREZ SEYS,

Hi Everyone Hope you all had a Happy Halloween and do have a good family Thanksgiving dinner. For November, we are going to use the cut blanks made for the stacked pumpkins to carve snow men. No one wanted to carve the pumpkins, so they will be recycled. Some members have already started. I'll bring some twigs for arms. In October we had four new possible carvers come in. Two ladies, Dorcus and Mary came early in the month and started carving a worry bird and a pumpkin pin for a sweater. I haven't seen either recently, but they did promise to return. This last Monday we did have very interested new carvers. Dan is a knowledgeable wood turner and wants to start chip carving turned bowls, He has the necessary tools. Melissa is interested and has started on a pumpkin pin for her sweater. She is eager, willing and able.

We are going to host a Holiday party on December 11, 2023, at the normal meeting place in Los Gatos. The Chapter has sufficient money to fund the food cost. It is free to you. We are talking about pizza and Mexican. Let us know if you will attend and what items you prefer. You know, like all meat, vegetarian , tacos, enchiladas, tamales. etc. We need to order the proper amount of food. Bring a carving for the gift exchange. There will be no "stealing" this year. Meet and socialize from 10:00 to Noon. Eat at noon, gift exchange at 1:00, leave at 2:00.

Anyone want a Shop Smith Mark 5 multi-tool? I have one for only \$200. It needs some cleaning caused by the previous owner's neglect. Shop Smith includes table saw, sander, drill press, lath, and jointer. Also, there is a Delta jointer which is larger than the Shop Smith one. I can deliver if you need,

I have to stop now to pay off the candy burglars at my door. Prez, Alan.

Our Lobby Table for October



Items needed for display Table.

January - Chip carving.

February – Spoons

March – St Patrick decorations

April – Bunnies, carved and pierced Eggs.

May – Flowers and spring growth

June – Bark houses and driftwood

July - Animals, birds, and fish

August - Linoleum block carvings and prints.

September - People, Vikings, Cowboys.

October - Halloween, Pumpkins, Witches.

November - Fall leaves, Thanksgiving.

December - Winter scenes, Santas, Dreidels

Calendar and Meeting Locations

Monday Meeting
10am to 2pm

The club will be meeting at the Los Gatos senior center at 208 E. Main St. Room 206.

There's a yearly dues of \$30 for each member 55+ years to use the facility, paid at the front desk of the Adult Recreation Center.

California Carving Guild dues are \$25, and Dave Osterlund will collect them and send in. These are optional dues but helps supports carving in the state of California.

Thursday Meeting
7pm to 9pm
bi-weekly.

Dave Osterlund will host meetings in his garage Contact Dave for the location of the meeting. Or visit our website and send a message.
contact@santaclaravalleycarvers.org

Monday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM - Oregon Carvers weekly carving session (Zoom)

Monday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - Santa Clara Valley Carvers meeting in person

Thursday 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM - Tri-Valley (Pleasanton) wood carvers (Zoom)

Nov 6th, 12th, 19th, 27th

Thursday 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Santa Clara Valley Carvers meeting in person

Nov 23rd

Get ready for the holidays, come learn to carve a snowman. At the Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center 208 E. Main Street 10am to 2pm

Dec 4th

Thanksgiving

Dec 11th

Chip Carving for beginners by Roman Chernikov at Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center 208 E. Main Street 10am to 2pm

Holiday Party at the Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center – bring a carving for the gift exchange, no stealing 10am to 2pm

This was posted on Facebook this morning by her family. We will miss her smile and creations.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Wilma Joan Cousins, known to friends as “Joan”, age 89, passed away peacefully on October 26, 2023, in Sacramento, California.

She was born to the late William Siler and Elva Braithwaite Siler in Idaho, in 1934, and had two older sisters, the late Mary Koontz and late Margie Lindquist.

Joan was very independent, so at the age of 16, she left the family farm to begin her own adventures. She moved from Idaho to Montana to Washington to Nevada and finally to California, where she settled down to begin her family.

Creativity was Joan’s passion. She was very talented and could draw, paint, wood carve, macramé, craft, garden, sew and create almost anything she set her mind to. An artist from childhood, she loved nature and worked it into most of her creations.

Joan is survived by daughters Patricia Sothcott (Mike) and Loretta Archung, and was predeceased by her son Guy Cousins. Her Grandchildren are Rebecca, Brian, Nicole, Anthony, Melissa, and Jason. Her “bonus” children are the late Pat Stewart, Rick Cousins, and the late Terry Cousins, and “bonus” grandkids Donna Jo, Jeff, Michael, Ryan, and Chelsea, as well as several great grandchildren.

The family wishes to thank all those who knew Joan Cousins as a special person in your life, and for your kind thoughts, prayers, and good wishes.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:

*The American Lung Association, <http://www.lung.org>

*Arbor Day Foundation (plant a tree in her memory - she loved trees!)
<https://shop.arborday.org/commemorative-trees-in-memory>



This is photo taken while I was on vacation last week. It is Perry Farm in Kankakee, IL.

Just a peaceful visit.

Our Carving Progress

Jordan Makower's Linoleum Blocks

These are Inspired by Harvard Art Museum Bentley Snowflake collection.

Imperfect Snowflakes

(The linoleum block is 2" x 3". The title says it all)

I've now learned to make single 'strokes' with a #2 Speedball gouge, after doing the outline with the shallower #1 gouge.

Since the block is only 2"x3", it should only take a few hours to draw and carve.

I tried putting more than one image on a sheet, but the variations in ink detracts from the concept.

The Block is on the right.

Below is a print in Blue and one in Brown.



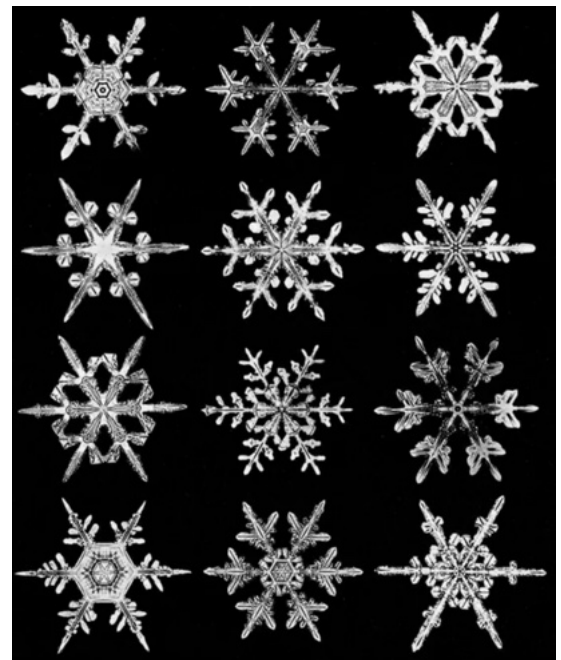
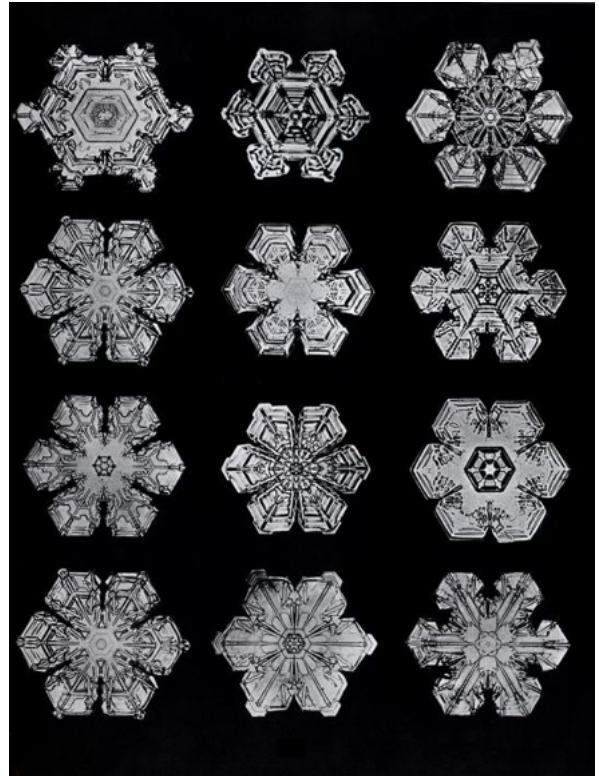
The objects printed are Snowflake 2" x 2"

Thin Speedball paper for linoleum block printing works best

Another Carved Block



Bentley Snowflakes from the
Harvard Art Museum Snowflakes



Happy Panda by Jordan Makower

This linoleum block is 3"x4".

Very shallow gouging was used on the head, to try for a smooth fur effect. Deeper gouging was used on the thicker lower torso, to show body 'folding'.

Green colored pencil coloring will be used for the bamboo leaves, after printing with black ink on white paper.



Shown Last Month



Now Printed in Blue

