



Chips & Tips

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

January 2025

SCVC is a non-profit educational (501-C) organization under the California Carvers Guild. The Santa Clara Valley Carvers meet Mondays 10AM-2PM. And Thursdays 7PM to 9PM. See the Calendar for time and locations.

There is a \$5 a year Club membership fee for all members.

But there's an additional yearly fee of \$35 for each member 55+ years who attend the Monday meetings to use the facility and enjoy all classes at the center, paid at the front desk of the Adult Recreation Center.

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

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Club Meeting on January 6, 2025

We will be voting on our leadership, Monday January 6th. Our normal meeting will be from 10AM to 2PM, but the voting will be during the 11AM hour. The list of candidates we currently have will be emailed with this newsletter. We need more members to volunteer.

Calendar and Meeting Locations

Monday Day Meeting

10am to 2pm

Los Gatos Adult Recreation center

208 E. Main St. Room 206, Los Gatos, CA (Members 55+)

Thursday Night Meeting

7pm to 9pm

Silicon Valley Monterey Bay for Boy Scouts of America

1900 The Alameda unit #100

San Jose, CA 95126 (All Adults and Children over 10 years with Parents are welcome)

Other Opportunities

Zoom meeting Mondays 7-8 with Tri-Valley Carvers. Contact us if interested.

Monday Meetings

Monday January 6th

General Club Meeting to vote on Officers and discuss dues and plans for 2025.

Monday January 20th

Martin Luther King Day. Office is closed, Club Meeting on Tuesday the 21st.

Thursday Meetings

January will be working on carving name tags

February, and March we will be working with Boy Scouts on Merit badges (see article below for more information)

Thursday meetings are taking shape.

We will meet every Thursday in January. The month's project will be to make personal name tags.

February 13 and 20 will be introduction to Wood Carving Merit Badge for Scouts from 11 years old to 17. Adult scouters are also welcome. The student must be a registered scout, have earned their Tote'n Chip, and have a blue card approved by their scoutmaster. Uniform is Class-B. It is helpful to have scouts print out the work sheet (see below) and bring to the course.

Our March meetings will be on the 6th (small room) 13 and 20 (large room) and 27 (small room). We can invite our merit badge candidates to return to work on their projects on the 13 and 20 as we will have more room.

It would be helpful to review the following documents so you will know what the scouts need to learn and show in order to earn the merit badge.

Requirements

<https://www.boyscoutstrail.com/boy-scouts/meritbadges/wood-carving-merit-badge.asp>

Work sheet

<http://usscouts.org/mb/worksheets/Wood-Carving.pdf>

January 16, 2025 – Wood Carving Name Tags:

Join the Santa Clara Valley Carvers for a hands-on mentorship session from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Silicon Valley Monterey Bay for Boy Scouts of America, 1900 The Alameda #100, San Jose. Learn to carve your own handmade name tag using whittling and various wood carving techniques — no prior experience needed!



Important: New Mailing List for SCVC

We're retiring our current mailing list, which has been used since 2017, and transitioning to a new, more reliable system. You should have received an email with details about the change.

Our email list is used for newsletters, announcements, and occasional woodcarving-related requests and discussions. The new list will only use email addresses, providing a secure and reliable communication channel.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Roman, who is managing the transition.

Thank you!



Herbert “Herb” Joseph Robbins, D.D.S

Passed away on Dec 7, 2024


Herbert “Herb” Joseph Robbins, D.D.S., passed away peacefully at home on December 7, 2024. Herb was born in Akron, Ohio on April 23, 1936 to Agnes and Herbert Robbins. An impressionable young (10) Herb took his first small plane ride in a field where a pilot was selling rides for a dime in 1946. It was love at first flight and became a life-long obsession to the detriment of nearly everything else. In pursuit of a career, Herb entered the Air Force after high school and attended Kent State and Case Western Reserve Dental School where he met his future wife. By some miracle of unearned luck, he married Roberta Story.

The couple started a family and settled in Los Gatos in 1965, raising four children: Mark, Heidi, Heather and Scott. After building and spectacularly crashing an experimental plane in Watsonville in 1977, his life was saved by the proximity of the fire department and the many medical staff. Recovery was long and the community support received by the Robbins family was crucial to remaining intact. Boundless gratitude is given to the Brothers Family for their heroic, unwavering love and care. Undaunted by his broken bones and unmendable knees, Herb continued his love of flying and flight history with undiminished enthusiasm, although he did reluctantly give up skydiving. International travel and annual cross-country trips to innumerable plane fly-ins, air races, and model airplane events were spontaneously announced to Roberta’s quiet annoyance.

Interests in gliders, model airplanes, beekeeping, and photography all followed, occasionally interrupted by his work, children, and family. Herb enjoyed community theater and volunteering at the Wings of History Museum, where he restored antique wooden propellers. He enjoyed the roles of theoretical grandfather, part-time “rancher”, aviation pulp reader, and circus audience member. The family would like to thank the team who supported his at home convalescence in his last year with incredible patience and care. A memorial service will be held in the Spring. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider making a donation to the Wings of History Air Museum at wingsofhistory.org or Circus Smirkus at smirkus.org.

National Wood Carvers Association Ornament Donation

Rena Gooding donated a Santa Head ornament to the charity drive. Hers is the top row, 4th from the left. There were 275 donations. Hopefully they will do it again next year.



National Wood Carvers Association

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THANKS TO EVERYONE THAT DONATED AN ORNAMENT FOR THE CAMPAIGN. YOU MADE IT A HUGE SUCCESS.


275 ornaments were donated for the campaign! Many are posted below; sorry but we did not get pictures of all that were submitted posted on the site.

Our goal was to keep this campaign simple, fun, and impactful, raising awareness of the generosity within the carving community. Winners will be announced in the winter issue of *Chip Chats*.

Shown below are some of the current entries and vendors that are graciously sponsoring the campaign. Please support them.

Entries will be posted as received and processed. Be sure to check back often. Click on any image for a larger view and to scroll through the entries!

Gallery #1



Antique Auto Show

Dave Osterlund at our booth at the submitted by Dan Brady



Holiday Party



David Clarke, Dan Brady, Dave Osterlund



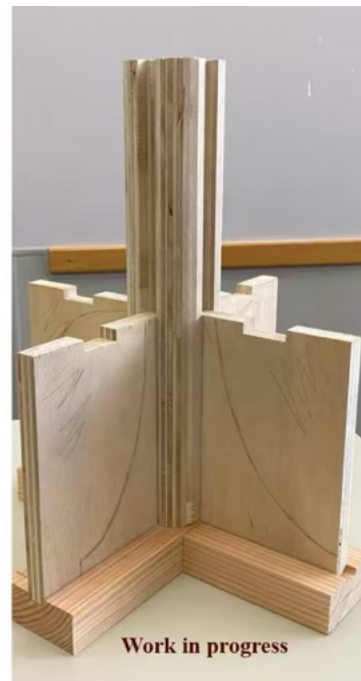
Jim's Wife, jim Phelps, Bruce Dahl



Alan's daughter, Gary Paulson, Alan Hunzinger, Alan's wife, Alan's Son and Alan's wife's caregiver.

Flagpole Donation

David Clarke was asked to carve/build a Flagpole Stand for the lobby of the Los Gatos Senior Center where the Monday group meets.



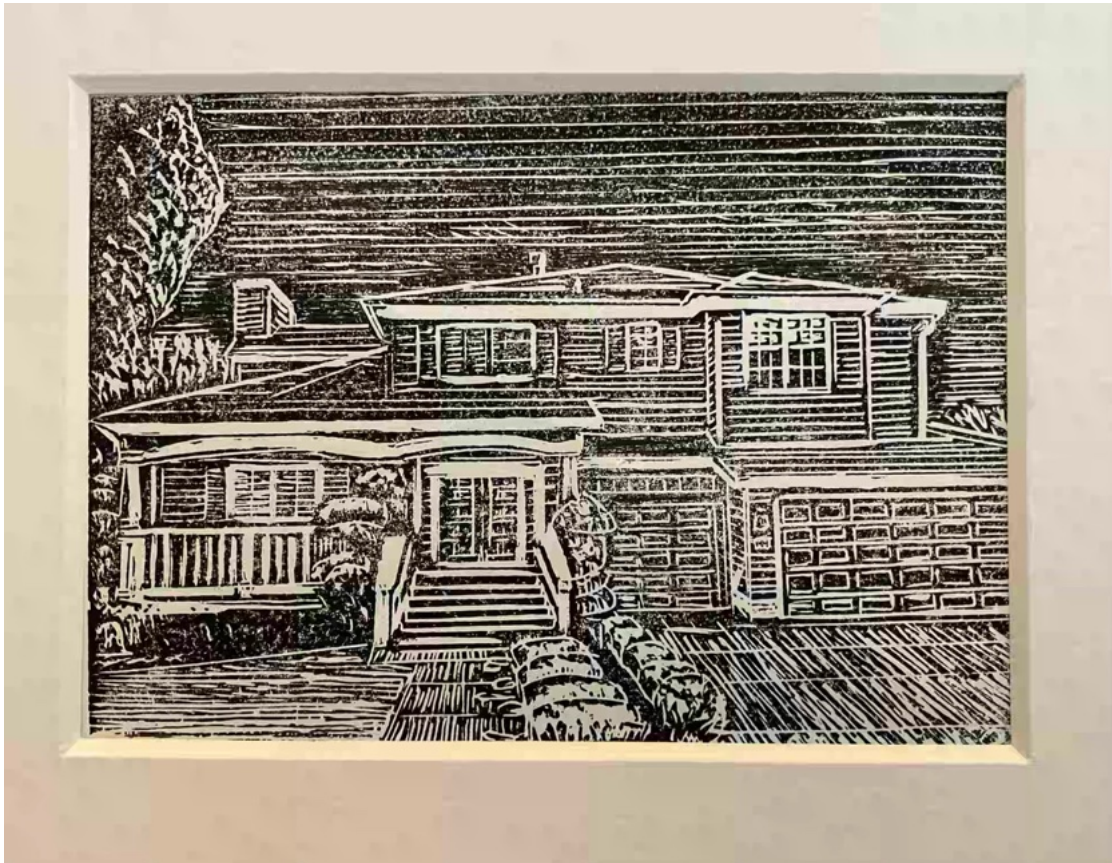
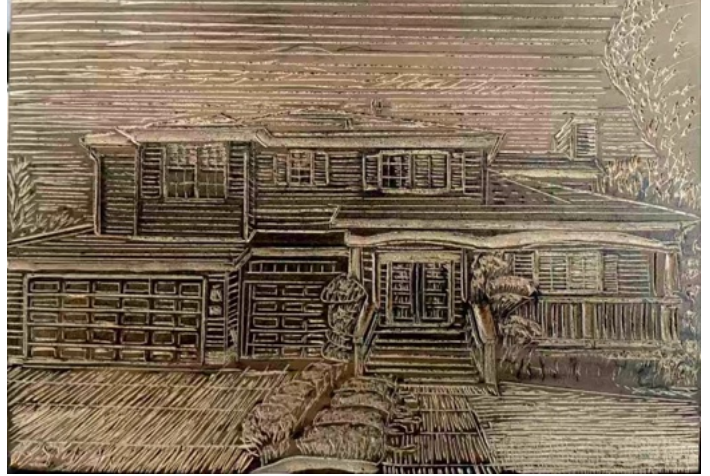
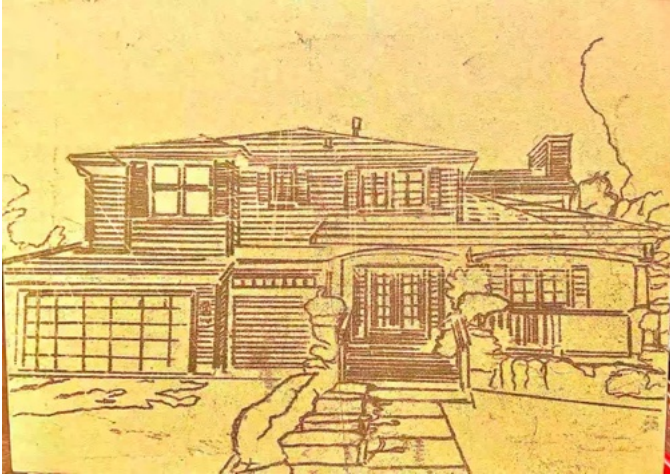
Our Display Case for October and December 2024



Jordan Makower's Linoleum Block Prints

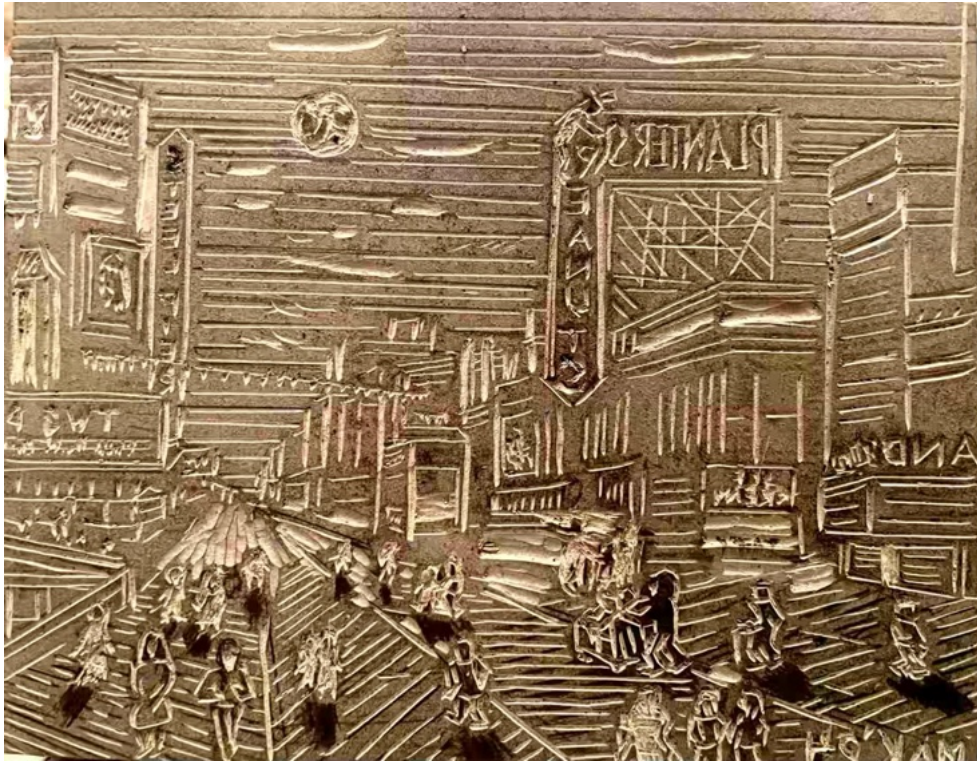
Jordan did a beautiful Linoleum block print for a commission which was given as a gift this past Holiday season

Here is the initial sketch, the Block and the final print of this beautiful home.



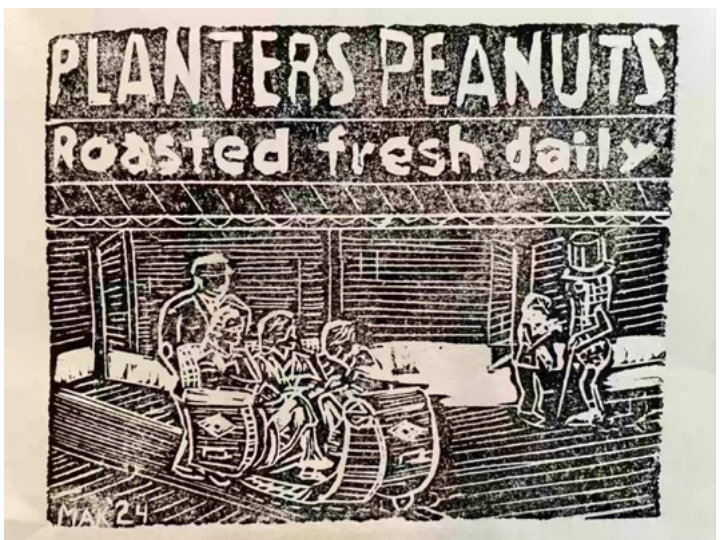
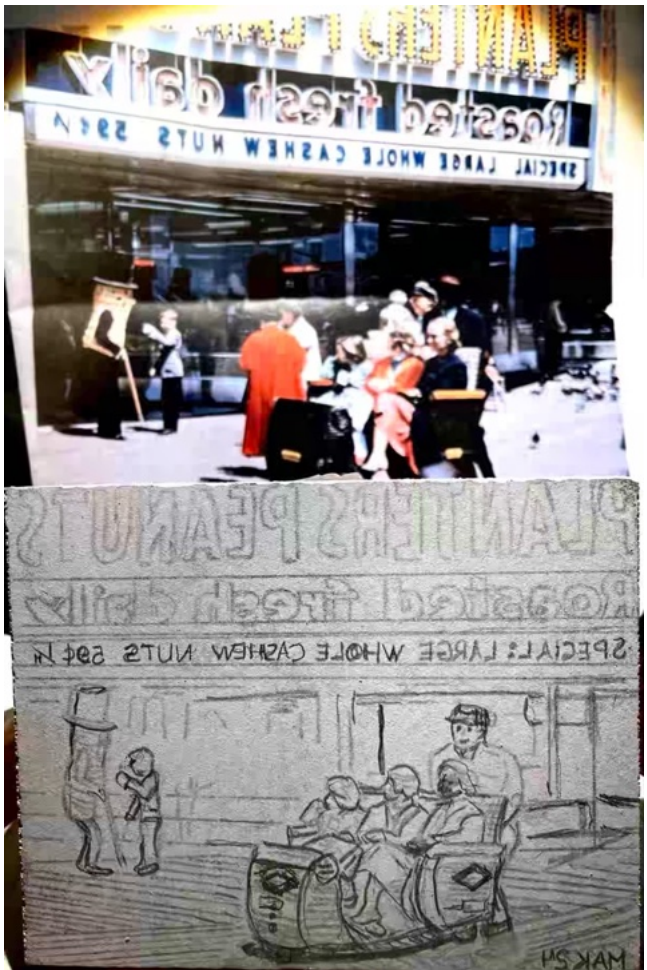
Atlantic City, NY 1948

This 4"x5" linoleum rendition is of a childhood memory of a place we visited in the Spring and occasionally, Summer. Difficult to render "The Peanut Man" giving bags of peanuts to kids in front of the store.



Peanut Man

Although I already did a linoleum block showing the Atlantic City Boardwalk, I had to carve my memory of this scene.



Halloween Ship



Barbara Reading to her Dog (1933)

Barbara is 102 years old and has an eidetic memory. She recalled a memory of when she was 10, and it 'struck a visual chord' with me. I had to render

