

FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Kathy Webster, Committee Chair

Candidate for President:

Candidate for Vice President, Chuck Friis, Poland Springs, ME

My carving career began in my firewood pile in Natick, MA. I sawed a wafer off my chopping block and relief carved a Viking ship. From that point on I relief carved many items over the years even after moving to Maine in 1985. I was commissioned to do a few carvings however I was also seeking an outlet for my art work. At this juncture, I discovered a lovely gift shop in Freeport which agreed to handle my work. The shop was run by a dear lady who turned out to be the sister of our own Kathy Webster. We were introduced and became fast friends. It was Kathy who persuaded me to try carving in the round. In addition, she recommended that I join the MWCA Streaked Mountain Chapter. Bob Perry, then president of this chapter, and I found that we knew each other from a hospital stay some years previously. I was welcomed into the chapter and still enjoy a special relationship with the Streaked Mountain carvers. I have now struck out to form a chapter of my own called the Poland Spring Carvers. During all of this, I have been actively involved in the Annual Show providing me with new friends and countless resources.

Candidate for Director at Large, Fran Fedrizzi, Freeport, ME

I made my first carving, a generic fish, in 1989 and then took 11 years off. I resumed carving in 2000 when I took a class at the American Woodcarving School in Wayne, NJ, and continued carving with the Unorthodox Woodcarvers in Pompton Plains, NJ. I moved to Maine in 2002 and became a member of the MWCA and Coastal Carvers. I enjoy all varieties of carving and am currently working on carving faces after taking a class from Pete LeClair last October. I try to attend a woodcarving retreat each year, and have attended both the Mystic Woodcarvers retreat in Rhode Island as well as the Northeast Roundup in Cherry Ridge, Pennsylvania. In addition to woodcarving, I am a beekeeper, and am a member of the Maine State Beekeepers and Cumberland County Beekeepers associations. I also enjoy hiking, biking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Professionally, I work in LL Bean's Information Systems department where I manage Merchandising and Supply Chain Systems.

Candidate for Director at Large, Carol Durgin, Brunswick, ME

I taught for several years in the Gorham School system before moving back home to Brunswick. I am now a working artist, specializing in paint media. I took a beginning carving class with Wayne Robbins in Bath and then joined the MWCA and began carving with the Coastal Carvers in Newcastle. With their guidance, I really began to improve in my carving. I have actively participated in the Annual Show by manning booths as well as doing several demos from print making to painting. This past year I was the Team Captain for the Raffle table. Additionally I have volunteered to make the painted poster which has been taking around New England to other Shows to advertise the Downeast Show. I enjoy carving because of the people I meet. My goal for the Director at Large position would be to go around the State visiting the individual chapters and writing feature articles on some of their members.

Treasurer, Wilma Sarna, Harpswell, ME (incumbent)

I have lived in Maine for the past 25 years and became involved with the Maine Wood Carvers Assoc., through my husband, John. He was the carver, but somehow every time he got involved with a hobby or organization, he would get me involved. Before I knew it I was Editor of the MWCA monthly newsletter and did that for over 6 years until December 2004.

Somehow, after agreeing to run for Secretary (I had worked as a secretary for 20 years in Brunswick), when the ballot appeared, I was running for Treasurer.... I've been doing that for the past 2 years. My other MWCA experience has been to help with registration, gate, and last year I chaired the Wood 'n' Things booth and, with the guidance of Gordon Harde, simplified the rules for judging and arranged for the judges. Wearing those three hats over the show weekend made for a very busy time for me. This year, I will do one thing.

Secretary, Kathy Webster, Greene, ME

I started carving in 1995 near Annapolis, MD. It was an Adult Ed class that my husband signed me up for. I thought he was crazy. But what I found with this group of people was a wonderful world of creativity, camaraderie and fun. I continued carving on my own when I moved to Maine in 1997. After visiting the Wells Show in that same year, I picked up and filled out an application for the MWCA. I waited a year to get up the courage to go to a chapter meeting and have never before felt so welcomed. I've been an active member of the Coastal group since. I like to try all kinds of carving, and design a good deal of my pieces. Recently, I have begun to carve decoys (thank you Gordon!) and am having the time of my life. I have been many things in the MWCA...Treasurer, Show Chair. I am happy to help out wherever it is needed.

BALLOT

President (vote for one)

- 1.
2. _____ (write in candidate)

Vice-President (vote for one)

1. Chuck Friis
2. _____ (write-in candidate)

Secretary (vote for one)

1. Kathy Webster
2. _____ (write-in candidate)

Treasurer (vote for one)

1. Wilma Sarna (incumbent)
2. _____ (write-in candidate)

Director at Large (vote for one)

1. Fran Fedrizzi
2. Carol Durgin
3. _____ (write-in candidate)

- Circle the candidate of your choice, or write the name of your candidate on the appropriate line.
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- Place the sealed, unmarked envelope in another envelope upon which you have written your name and address as the return address. This will allow the Secretary to check you off as having voted.
- Mail your completed ballot to the Secretary, Barb Wade, P.O.Box 398, Newcastle, ME 04553 so that it is received no later than March 1, 2009. The Secretary will place your sealed, unmarked ballot envelope in a ballot box for counting at the appropriate time.
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MWCA CHAPTER* DATES, TIMES and LOCATIONS

CAPITAL CARVERS

Every Thursday, 6-8 PM
445-2078 Lloyd Clark
George Gunning's workshop
Legion Park Road, Windsor, ME

SOUTH COAST CARVERS

4th Tuesday, 7-8:30 PM
603-664-2813, George Calef
Crossings at Fox Run Mall, Goslin Rd,
Newington, NH

CARVER STREET CARVERS

Every Tuesday, 1-3 PM
Barbara McCutcheon 453-6048
Seton Village Senior Center, 1 Carver Street,
Waterville, ME

STREAKED MOUNTAIN WOOD CARVERS

2nd Saturday, 1 PM
388-2472, Bob Perry
Sumner, ME

CENTRAL MAINE CARVERS

6-8 PM, 3rd Wednesday, monthly
873-3370, Dave Brown
32 Burleigh St., Waterville, ME

**Check for possible changes in schedule*

COASTAL CARVERS

4th Saturday, 1 PM
563-2034, Jim Wade
D&L Printers, Route 1, Newcastle, ME

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