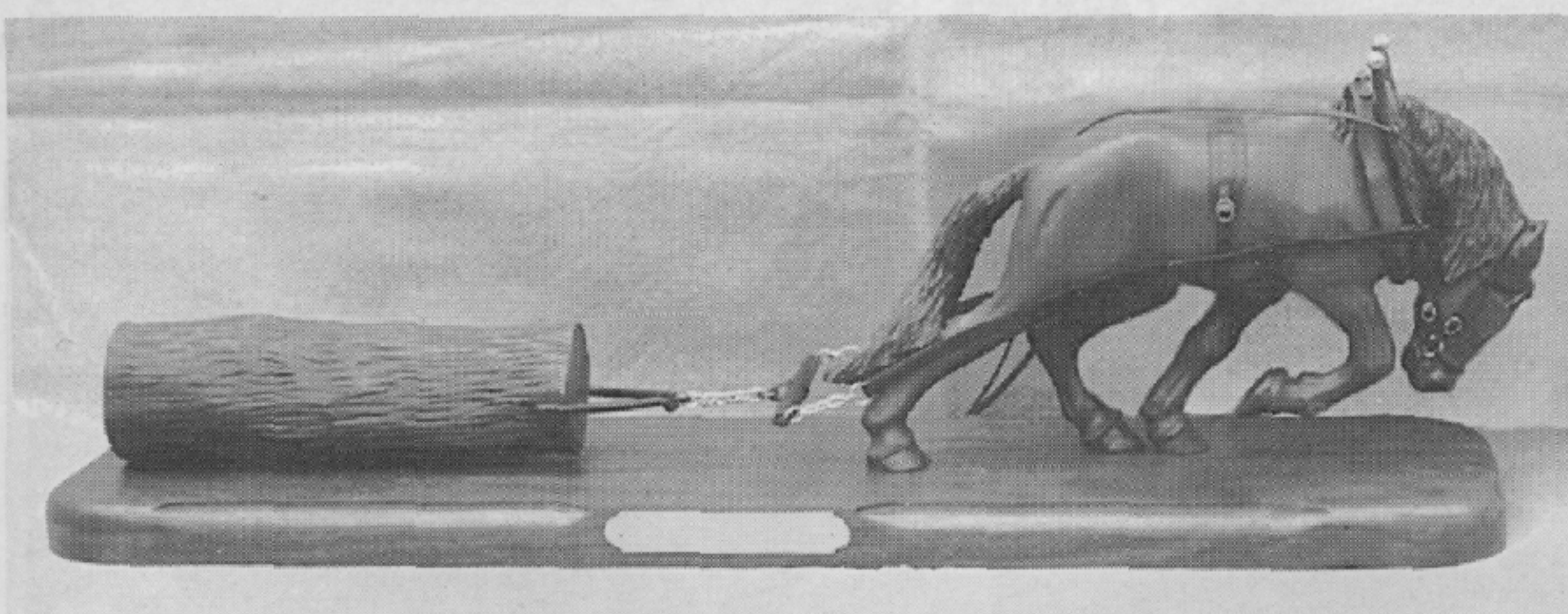


Draft horse project carved in Bismarck

Carvers from Kansas, Minnesota, and North Dakota met in Bismarck, N.D., March 12-14, to participate in a draft horse carving workshop. Guest instructor Lynn Bueling from Wahpeton, N.D., has focused the past couple of years on carving draft horses and crafting scale model wagons. The Flickertail Woodcarvers of Bismarck invited Lynn to present a project. All students carved a pulling draft horse, and then had the option of choosing either a log or a stone boat to hitch to horse. Carvers who picked rocks from farm fields when they were young lads related to the stone boat theme.

Three days passed quickly, but all the carvers successfully completed the multi-media project of carving, painting, harness construction and mounting. The project was presented in the format of approximately one-half knife and palm tool carving, and one-half power carving and sanding. Some of the carvers were exposed to power carving for the first time, but readily adapted to that style.

Lynn brought several publications from his draft



Entire project is 16 to 18 inches in length.



Standing, left to right, Ted Livesay, Randy Burke, Bob Lawrence, Lynn Bueling (instructor), Arnold Briggs, Ron Holtz, Cliff Rime; seated, Larry Brewster, Bob Matzke, Rick Jensen, Frank Kock, Bob Clooten; kneeling in front, Bob Pedigo.

horse library as well as models of horses so the carvers could study anatomy. Workhorse words were added to the city-dwellers' vocabulary when they began to understand the meaning of single trees, harnesses, hames, blinders, clevises, collars, tugs, etc.

Lynn also provided information on where to obtain full scale patterns for the wagons which he converts for his realistic miniatures. His wagons are very detailed and realistic replicas of actual wagons used in the days of the horse and buggy.

After summarizing the workshop evaluation sheets, we found that all the participants agreed it was a very positive experience. Representative comments included: "Great workshop," "Excellent job," and "Learned a lot, really enjoyed." — Bob Pedigo

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method a routine might be to coat the area when you have finished for the day, let it dry overnight, then carve the area again the next day. You can continue to recoat and carve and area as long as needed. The shellac is an excellent sealing agent for the entire piece when the project is finished. Can be rubbed out with steel wool or a scotch pad. I recommend the spray can of shellac rather than liquid, or mixes, as the spray can material will remain stable for long periods between use.

At a recent club "Show and Tell" meeting, Don Holeski of Everett, Wash., had a beautiful chess set. The light pieces were carved from spalted maple and the black pieces were carved from oak. Oak has a tendency to darken from contact with iron. Take steel wool pad and soak it in a container of vinegar, 10 to 12 hours. Use this liquid solution to paint the oak pieces; allow to dry overnight, eight to ten hours. You may need to apply another coat, or two, to get a deep solid black finish. After thoroughly drying, the final finish for both the light and dark pieces could be wax or a varnish type.

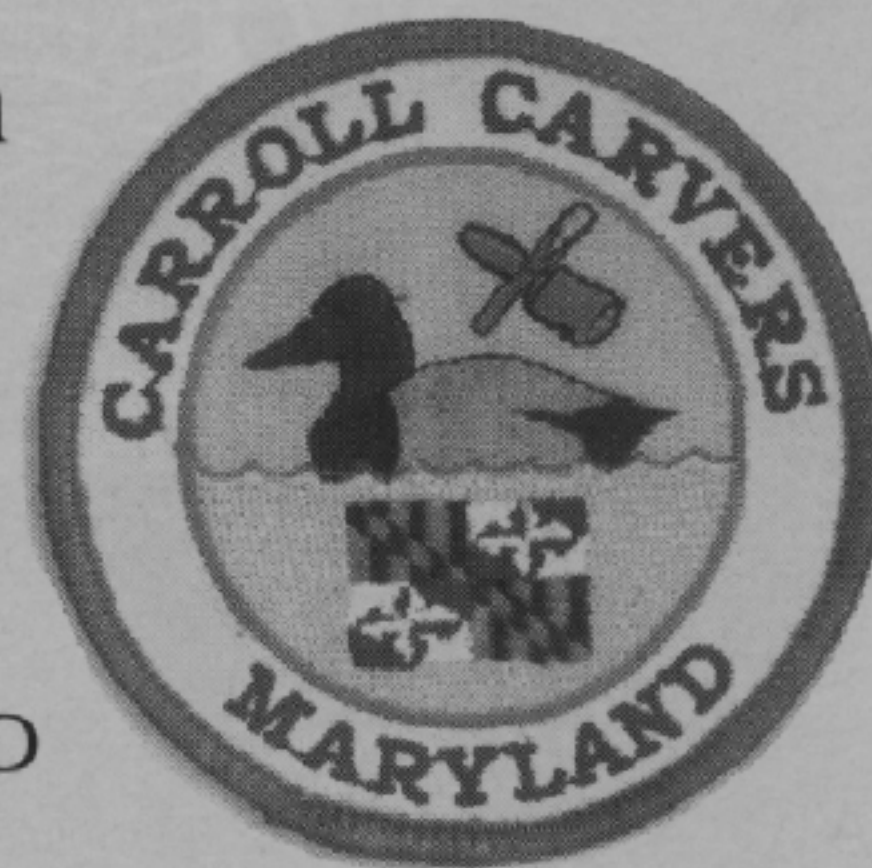
Obituary

Marguerite Karsted Finden, 81, of Southworth,

Wash., passed away May 1 of lymphoma. She was a lady of many talents — pilot, woodcarver, master tailor, master gardener, adult literacy teacher, church volunteer and square dancer. She and husband Joe were solid supporters of the Northwest shows usually arriving in their RV in time to help set up, and the last to leave after take down. Joe and Marg judged at many of the local shows. Survivors include two sons, a daughter, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. ■

Carroll carvers offer patch

Carroll Carvers of Maryland offer their three-inch, nine-color sew-on club patch to collectors for \$5. Also available is a one-inch pin for \$3. Order from Ron Clements, 13855 Highland Rd., Clarksville, MD 21029.



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