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Welcome to Central Coast Woodcarvers! We are always interested in new members and are looking forward to you sharing your talents with others in the group and becoming a friend to all. You can find out more about our past, current, and future activities by visiting www.centralcoastwoodcarvers.com We ask for an annual \$10 membership fee from our members. These funds help pay for the benefits we receive at St. Timothy's Catholic Church annex in Morro Bay (weekly rental of the the meeting room, tables, chairs, restrooms and coffee) as well as provisions of supplies by the Central Coast Woodcarvers (CCW) such as carving gloves, wood blanks, first aid kit, available tool sharpener, table protection mats, club woodburning tools, electric cords and more.

All members are ALSO asked to join the California Carver's Guild (of which we are Chapter 7) aka CCG <http://www.cacarversguild.org/>. Our club would not exist without their sponsorship. We are provided many benefits under their umbrella, including accidental injury insurance for members of our club who are also members of Ccs. CCG also provides us funds for advertising, funds towards group sponsored activities, and a quarterly copy of *THE LOG*, published and sent out by the CCG to all members, which includes notice carving activities occurring throughout the state. The membership application can be found on their website. Fees are \$25/member or \$40/couple annually.

Our Tuesday carving sessions are held at St. Timothy's Catholic Church in Morro Bay, anytime from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The time that you attend is up to you. No times are scheduled, except when specific classes are held. Many carvers take a break for lunch by bringing their lunch or go out to eat, or pop in to carve as time allows. Classes and instruction sessions are held periodically, with any interested members welcome to join. If not taking the class, members continue to carve on their own projects within the annex.

Members are asked to sweep and clean up their individual carving sites before leaving. The club provides brooms, dustpans and a vacuum. The church may ask us to put away our tables and/or chairs at the end of the day. Please ask if this is the case before you leave. Hang your chair up, if requested.

We have several big annual events that we enjoy: Each September (the third weekend) in Cambria we hold a big Woodcarvers' Show. We invite you to participate. Please ask for details. Carvers gather at the end of the first day for a group potluck.

The day before the show, carvers can reserve time to gather at our annual Rendezvous, a daylong carving session in Cambria.

In December, we dedicate one of our Tuesday sessions to a holiday party where we bring in carved ornaments for a fun swap and enjoy a member potluck. We always are happy to welcome interested carvers to come and visit our sessions, whether for a few hours, an entire day, or to become CCW members and sit in as regulars. Invite your friends and pass the word to interested persons.

We all are happy to share what we know about carving. We are interested in getting to know you, and we are glad that you've decided to join us!