#### Version 1 2024 CFDCC CALENDAR BERNTH 5/23/23

# CENTRAL FLYWAY DECOY & CARVER'S CLUB Version 1 2024

This calendar features CFDCC club member LON BERNTH, a retired Ralston NE High School educator and administrator, raised in Omaha where he attended the University of Nebraska Omaha and is a long term member of CFDCC.

He began his wildfowl carving career in the late 1970s and later began teaching the art form to students in the Omaha area.

Lon has served several terms as CFDCC club president and has frequently entered his wildfowl carvings in the prestigious annual "Ward World Wildfowl Carving Championship" in Ocean City MD, where he has received a number of awards.

Lon is a retired U.S. Army officer, and a veteran of the Iraq war where he continued his wood carving in his tent at night in the Iraq sand to avoid boredom.

Lon is the father of daughters Jodi, Alissa, Tami, and Dana, and son Brian. Lon is married to his wife Jean.





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## **JANUARY**

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CFDCC HALL OF FAME





AL THOMAS, LON BERNTH, RAY RICHMOND



Lon and wife Jean



### **FEBRUARY**

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RONALD PIGG CFDCC CALENDAR DESIGNER





Ron and partner Betty



### MARCH 2024

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DOUG NOLLER





Doug and wife Nancy

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THE ABOVE YELLOWLEG HUNTING STYLE SHOREBIRD WAS CARVED IN 1987 BY "HALL OF FAME" MEMBER JIM FLIGER, AND IS NOW OWNED BY "HALL OF FAME" CARVER BILL BROWNE.



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REPAINTED BY CFDCC
MEMBER DOUG NOLLER.
RALPH WAS A PREVIOUS
MEMBER OF CFDCC.



OWNED BY CFDCC CLUB MEMBER AND "PRESIDENT" KIRK PFEFFER

## **APRIL**

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RON CLEVELAND

CFDCC PRESIDENT
PAST 5 YEARS

CREATER OF "CFDCC HALL OF FAME"



One of Ron's carvings for Schram State Park's "Serenity Garden"

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### JUNE 2024



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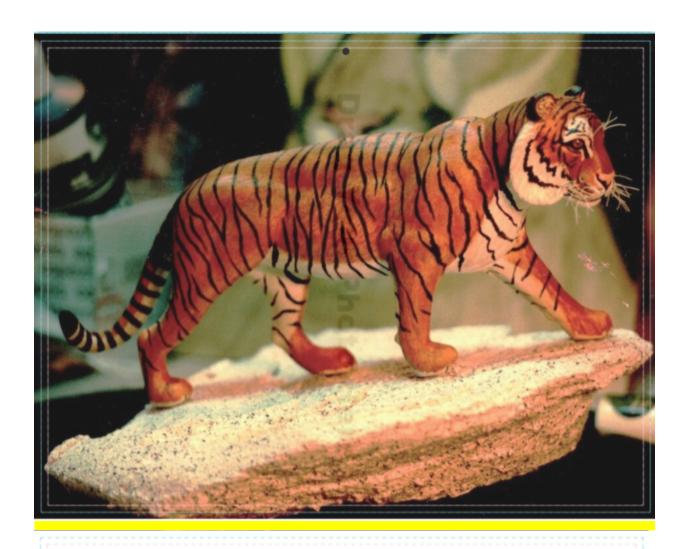


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LON BERNTH
CFDCC HALL
OF FAME





LON and wife JEAN



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#### **ALTHOMAS** CFDCC HALL OF FAME

Al's 2023 awards at Ward World WildFowl Carving Championship in Ocean City MD;

2nd decorative mini Ring necked pheasant;

2nd Decorative smothie Blue Goose

3rd in Division; non-floating Ghampagne Prairie chicken;

Honerable Mention, Champagne floating Shoveler Drake;



AL THOMAS, LON BERNTH, AND RAY RICHMOND



### OCTOBER 2024

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TOM PASKACH

TOM IS A DIRECTOR OF MID-AMERICA WOOD CARVERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FALL SHOW, AND IS ALSO MEMBER OF CFDCC







## **NOVEMBER**

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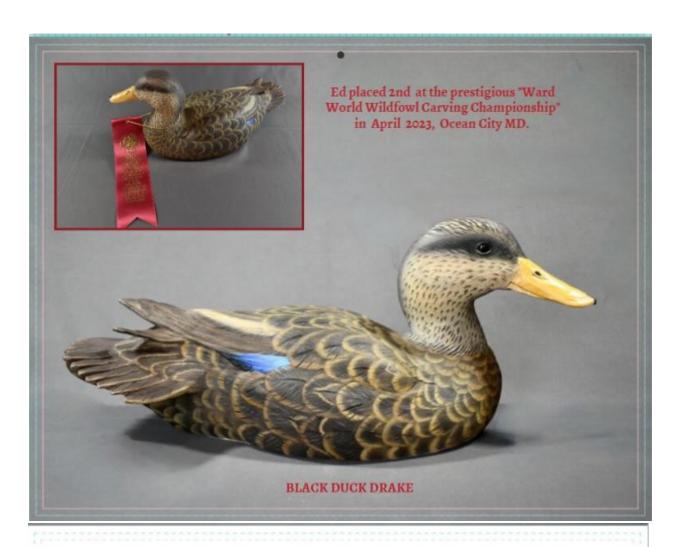
CLIFF HOLLESTELLE
CHARTER MEMBER CFDCC
CFD&CC HALL OF FAME



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Cliff and wife Marsha



## **DECEMBER**

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ED "Sonny" Svoboda



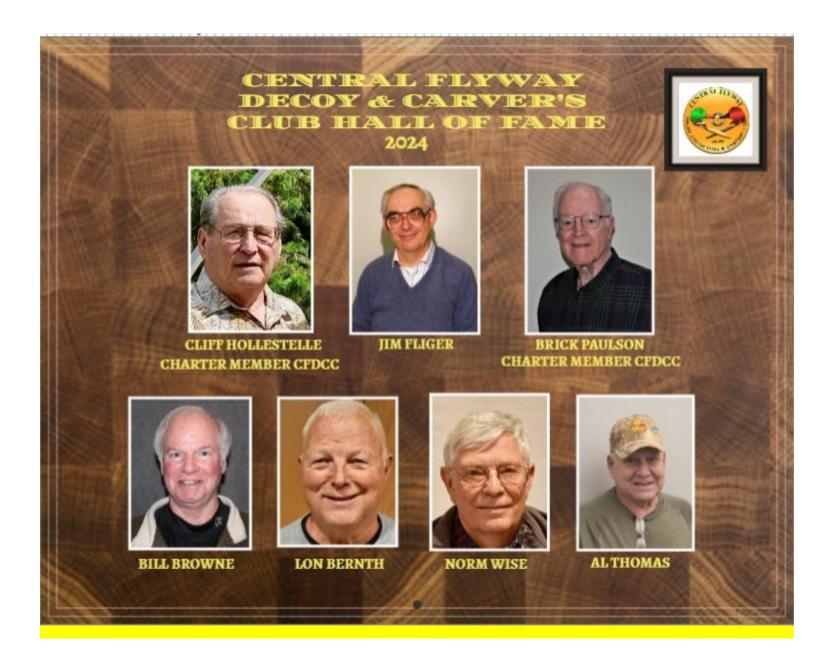


Ed and wife Elaine



#### LON BERNTH MULTI TALENTED CARVER





**END VERSION 1 CALENAR BERNTH** 

#### **BEGIN Version 2 CFDCC 2024 RICHMOND CALENDAR**

### CENTRAL FLYVVAY DECOY & CARVING CLUB

#### version 2 2024

This calendar features CFDCC club member RAY RICHMOND, retired "Pipe Coverer" from Wahoo NE.

Ray began his wildfowl carving in the late 90's and progressed rapidly. His first competition was in 2001 at the Pacific Southwest Wildlife Art Association in San Diego where he won three top awards, including FIRST PLACE for a White-Breasted Nuthatch, like the Red-Breasted Nuthatch displayed on the following January page.

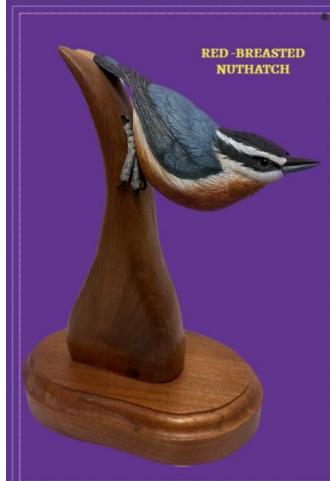
In 2001, as proof of his artistic progression in 5 or 6 sanctioned competitions, including the prestigious WARD WORLD WILDFOWL CARVING CHAMPIONSHIP where he placed FIRST for his Decorative Lifesize Floating Waterfowl Gadwall, Ray was awarded the prestigious "NOVICE CARVER OF THE YEAR" by the INTERNATIONAL WILDFOWL CARVERS ASSOCIATION.

Ray annually supported his hometown of Wahoo's annual fundraiser for Saunders Medical Center Auxiliary with two wildfowl carvings which always auctioned at high prices; unaffordable to many locals. Ray resolved that issue by putting one carving up for auction, the other up for raffle.

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Ray commented that he enjoyed carving for donation over competition shows because he could take liberty and have more fun carving a donation bird than a competition bird that required absolute detail representing that bird species. However, he admitted the ribbons and recognition are the rewards for hours of work and precision to transform a block of tupelo wood into a life-like replica of a bird. Further the more realistic the bird is, the more you can capture the essence of a bird. That is what strikes the eye of the judges.

Ray was also quoted once in an article that "When I first started, I thought, boy I'm really good, but as you go along and the more you learn and understand how a bird is put together, your birds start to look more alive."

Prior to ending his carving career, Ray had carved over a 100 pieces of wildfowl artwork, several of which are displayed in public places around Wahoo.

Ray is the father to daughter, Julie; and sons, Phillip and Matthew; who are all very proud of their artistic father."

February 2024

### JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6
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14	15 Martin Luther King Day	16	17	18	19	20
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RAY RICHMOND

Awarded "2001 "NOVICE CARVER OF THE YEAR" by the International Wildfowl Carvers' Association



Ray and deceased wife Carol



### **FEBRUARY**

2024

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JIM LAYMAN

Jim is a 2002 retiree from the Telecommunication industry. While traveling on business, decoy carving was frequently in the back of his mind. During his post retirement he worked part time in Christian publishing during which his interest peaked for decoy carving. That brought Jim to CFDCC and to Norm Wise to work on his fear of painting. Jim is now one of our newest club members and has been active in upgrading our club's wildfowl media and assisting in modernizing our club website.



Jim and wife Marilyn



#### BUFFLEHEAD DRAKE

## **MARCH**

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BOB HANGER
CFDCC'S MOST DISTANT
CLUB MEMBER FROM
SUTTON NE



Bob and wife Carol



**APRIL** 

NORM'S CARVING FOR SCHRAM'S SERENITY GARDEN



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NORM WISE CFDCC HALL OF FAME CLUB SECRETARY, TREASURER, AND INSTRUCTOR

Norm placed 2nd for his decorative smoothie Piebill greb; and 3rd for his Champagne floating Shoveler Drake at the 202 Ward World Wildfowl Carving Championship i Ocean City MD.



Norm & wife Kay



**MAY** 



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NEW CFDCC PRESIDENT AS OF FEBRUARY 2023



Kirk's carving contribution to Schamm State Park's new "Serenity Garden".



Kirk and wife Nancy



## JUNE



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DON JOHNSON

LONG TIME CFDCC MEMBER, PROLIFIC CARVER OF BIRDS, WILDFOWL, FIISH, AND FISH LURES



Don and wife Judy



**JULY** 



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Ray was awarded the 2001 "NOVICE CARVER OF THE YEAR" by International Wildfowl Carvers Association

The MEADOWLARK was commissioned by Ray's friend who passed away prior to its completion. The carving however, was donated in the friend's name.

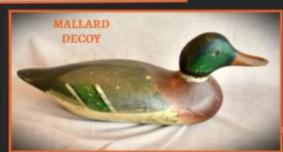
Both the FLUSHING PHEASANT and Ray's friend' MEADOWLARK are on permanent display at Wahoo NE's Public Library.



decoy collectors nostalgia

THESE ANTIQUE DECOYS ARE FROM THE COLLECTION OF CLIFF HOLLESTELLE

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## **AUGUST**



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CLIFF HOLLESTELLE CHARTER MEMBER OF CFDCC

CFDCC was founded in 1970 primarily by Southeast Nebraska duck hunters interested in collecting decoys.

Their interest in collecting decoys evolved into carving decoys and other wildfowl which developed a market for their art work.

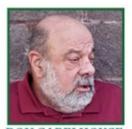
Currently, carving of wildfowl is the primary interest of our club members.



## **SEPTEMBER**

2024

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DON GABELHOUSE

Don coordinated negotiations with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for installation of a display case to contain CFDCC wildfowl carvings at Mahoney State Park.



Don and wife Dianne



## OCTOBER 2024

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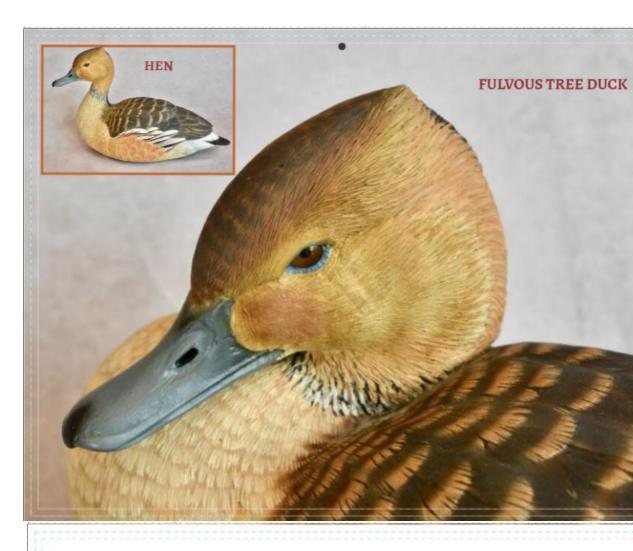


DICK ZECHMANN

Dick is a multi-talented artist of not only wildfowl carving but of gourds, whimsical bark houses, ornaments, & Scrimshaw carving of ivoory

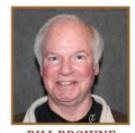


Dick Zechmann and wife Patti



## NOVEMBER 2024

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	29	30



December 2024

BILL BROWNE CFDCC HALL OF FAME



One of Bill's carvings for Schramm State Park's "Serenity Garden".



Miniature decoys L to R, top to bottom is Lesser Scaup Blue Bill, Canvasback Drake (made of canvas), Ruddy Duck, Hooded Merganzer Hen, and Canvasback Drake

### **DECEMBER**

2024

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29	30	31 New Year's Eve	Happy Sew Gear!			



STEVE KOHLER
PAST PRESIDENT
OF CFDCC



Steves contribution to Schram State Park's "Serenety Garden"

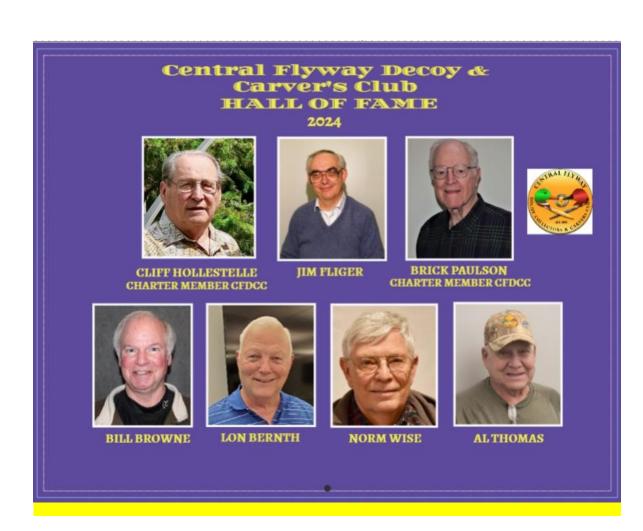


Steve and wife Denise



'Ray carved this Mallard Drake below as a retirement gift for son Matthew's father-in-law in 2005. It sits in a perfect spot on the mantle in their home. Ray created the base with an indented outline so that the bird sits positioned exactly as he'd designed it to face and tilt. However, each time Matt would visit he would find the bird positioned differently in the base (a position Ray would say is anatomically incorrect). Matt would reposition the carving in the base only to find it returned by his next visit. Apparently Matt's mother-in-law (wife Krista's mom) who would always be doing the re-positioning as she liked it better being 'crooked' in the base. This cat and mouse routine continued for years without a word."





#### **END VERSION 2 CALENAR RICHMOND**

<mark>2024</mark>