

# **The Prairie Arborist**

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## On behalf of the entire membership of the ISA Prairie Chapter ..... Thank you

I would like to thank the out going Board members: Gerard Fournier, Don Hay, Geoff Mcleod and also the work horse and brains of the Chapter, Colleen Bready Hay.

Congratulations and welcome to the new and continuing members:

Kevin Cassells, Jean-Mathieu Daoust, Mimi Cole, Kelvin Kelly, Matt Vinet, Matt Davis and Gordon White as your Certification Liaison

Thanks for all you do and all your support.

#### Bonnie Fermanuik,

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#### Artist - Doris Sheldon

Doris has been carving since 2003 and enjoys the creative process very much. The majority of her carvings are done in found wood. "This type of wood has very interesting colours and comes in a great variety of shapes and sizes. The challenge of found wood is finding these pieces before the wood is too old".

Doris has won artist competitions with her work, over the years including the **Prairie Canada Carving Championships April, 2011 in Winnipeg MB.** 

The "Best of Show" award was given during the Carving Championship in Winnipeg, MB. This is a judged show for carvers only. Carvers use this opportunity to display their work for competition and to learn from more experienced carvers and judges.

The Guardian (see next page) also won a first place ribbon in the Bark Open Class at the Northern Alberta Wood Carvers Association Carving Competition April, 2010 in Edmonton, AB. It also won second place in the Bark Open Class at the Wheat City Carvers Competition April, 2011 in Brandon MB.

"I was very pleased and honored to be given these awards by the various clubs.

I learned a great deal about various finishes and carving techniques from the other carvers and judges attending the shows".

Check out Doris' website at: www.cottagecountrycarving.com

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Smiling Leaves—Poplar

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