

**2016 Woodlanders Gathering Schedule**  
**July 7-10**  
**Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts**  
**Mineral Point, Wisconsin**

**THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016**

- 7:30-8:30      **REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN:** Shake Rag Alley Office, 18 Shake Rag St
- 8:30-11:30    **A01 SHAKER CARRIERS: RISTOW**—First made over 200 years ago, these handy, gracefully oval containers were made for Shaker community use until well into the 20th century. Bob will show you how to shape carrier “fingers,” soak bands in hot water, bend around a form, and tack. The bottom is fitted and pegged, the handle attached with copper tacks, then sanded ready for finish at home. Pay Bob \$25-35 depending on size. You can complete two in the allotted time, if you wish.
- 8:30-11:30    **A02 ADIRONDACK FRAME: KERN**—You'll create an attractive frame in the Adirondack rustic style by adding bark, twigs and other natural materials to a frame base that Jim will provide along with a wide variety of materials to choose from. If you have any special items to add, bring them along. Materials: \$25.
- 8:30-11:30    **A03 MACRO QUILLING: SMEJA**—Cheryl, a highly versatile creative artist, will introduce you to the fascinating Renaissance art form of quilling. Using the simplest of materials—paper—and rolling, curling, looping, twisting, and manipulating it, you will create beautiful and amazing designs worth framing. Materials: \$6.
- 8:30-11:30    **A04 NATURE PRINTING ON SHIRTS: KITTO**—Try your hand at printing with leaves, transforming men's dress shirts into colorful cover-ups, night shirts, smocks, etc. Cathy will show you how a little fabric paint and leaves can turn a throw-away shirt into a fashion statement. Bring an old shirt or purchase one for \$5 from the instructor. Materials: \$5.
- 8:30-4:00     **A05 CHILD’S BENT WILLOW CHAIR: SOMAN**—Create a charming, traditional bent willow chair for a special child in your life—just like an adult chair in structure and technique, only smaller. Dan, a versatile rustic artist, will show you how to work with green willow, how to bend the curves, how to join them together to create a memorable treasure for a young child. Materials: \$35.
- 8:30-4:00     **A06 BLACKSMITHING A KNIFE: DONALDSON**—Using a traditional coal forge and anvil, Eric, a professional metal arts teacher, will lead you through the process of making a knife from a steel railroad spike. You can either draw out a steel handle or craft a tang for later application of a wood handle. Materials: \$10.
- 11:30-1:00    **LUNCH ON THE GREEN:** A chance to chat, meet new friends and reconnect with old friends. (Included in your daily fee. If you wish to add a guest \$8)
- 1:00-4:00     **A07 BOHO NATURE BRACELET: STAUFFER**—How about some rustic jewelry? Make your own beads out of paper, fabric and other natural materials, then add some commercial beads and string them on easy-to-use memory wire for a unique Bohemian, gypsy look bracelet. Materials: \$5.
- 1:00-5:00     **A08 TABLE-TOP FALL LEAF TREE: ROGNESS**—Jamie, a versatile and creative artist, has designed a unique 24” leafy tree centerpiece for your table top—both rustic and elegant. Using real fall leaves with glue-gun, Mod Podge® and paint, you will create a tall tree on a pedestal base to take home to glorify your autumnal table. Materials fee: \$20.
- 1:00-5:00     **A09 CHIP CARVE A “LITTLE NOTHINGS” BOX: RISTOW**—Ann, a practiced carver, will show you how to decorate with chip carving a small basswood box 2” high, 3” diameter, and its hardwood cover. This lovely little box is perfect for buttons, rings, brass screws, AAA batteries, carving thumb guards, you name it! If you have a chip carving knife, please bring it, if not Ann will have some for your use. Materials: \$15.

1:00-5:00 **A10 RUSTIC GARDEN WIND CHIME: VIKTORA**—Join Sherry to make a rustic wind chime from recycled glass bottles, glass chunks and fused glass shapes hung from branches, driftwood or copper tubing, along with any "found" objects you wish to use. If you have a wonderful branch, piece of driftwood or anything you wish to add, bring them to incorporate into your mobile chime. Materials: \$3.

1:00-5:00 **A11 MOSAIC BIRDBATH: SUTCLIFFE**—Using a sturdy supporting mold, you'll construct a round concrete birdbath and then immediately start adding mosaic from pebbles, mirror, and ceramic bits. Let it cure for a couple days and voila, happy birds in your garden. Materials: \$5.

## FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2016

7:30-8:30 **REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN:** Shake Rag Alley Office, 18 Shake Rag St

8:30-11:30 **B01 2-LEGGED CAMPING CHAIR: WHITT**—One of the Midwest's finest rustic artists, John will provide you with pre-cut dried willow pieces, screws and nails, and you will take home a sturdy 2-legged chair, perfect for reclining around the campfire and simple storage. Class will include pointers for simple rustic construction techniques. No experience necessary. Materials: \$15.

8:30-11:30 **B02 SILK SCARF DYEING AND PAINTING: WELCH**—Come create two beautiful silk scarves with Nancy, a teacher of playful art classes. She will show you how to dye silk fabric in a microwave oven for easy yet gloriously colorful results and also show you how to paint flowers or organic art on your scarves. Materials: \$20.

8:30-11:30 **B03 WILLOW ORB: KOPECKI**—These lovely rustic balls, 12" in diameter, can adorn your home and garden in so many ways. Mary suggests hanging them in trees, embedding festive lights in them, nestling them amid tall grasses, so many decorative uses. She'll show you how to make the basic spherical frame and then how to random weave in and out of it. You'll go home ready to make more orbs in many sizes! Materials: \$15.

8:30-4:00 **B04 CARVE A CHICKADEE: SCHEUER**—You will carve and color a charming little chickadee sitting on a branch, with the guidance of expert woodcarver Nick Scheuer. You'll start with a rough-out of the shape and, following Nick's suggestions, you'll bring the little bird, a favorite of winter bird feeders, to life. Materials: \$15.

8:30-4:00 **B05 LEATHER BERRY BASKET: KERN**—Hand sew a charming and useful leather berry basket. With leather artist Jim's help you'll cut out the leather, mark holes, sew the basket, add a rim of hardwood and woven sea grass, and the cedar bark handle for a finishing touch. Materials: \$25.

11:30-1:00 **LUNCH ON THE GREEN:** A chance to chat, meet new friends and reconnect with old friends. (Included in your daily fee. If you wish to add a guest \$8)

1:00-3:00 **B06 NATURE IMPRINTS IN CLAY: JOHNSTON**—Create a unique hand-built bowl and imprint the clay with textures from nature, working with the expert potters Tom and Diana and daughter Claire at the fabulous Johnston's Brewery Pottery Studio at 276 Shake Rag Street. The lovely glaze they'll add when firing the bowl will accentuate the textures beautifully. Materials \$15, plus any fees if you need your work shipped.

1:00-5:00 **B07 BLUE BIRD HOUSE ON POLE: WERNER**—One of Woodlander's favorites! No ordinary birdhouse! John, an innovative rustic craftsman, shows you how to make an awesome sculptural structure using driftwood, rustic materials, and fun found objects. So cool! Materials: \$35.

1:00-4:00 **B08 LEAF CASTING & IMPRINTING: SUTCLIFFE**—Judy, a versatile creative artist, will show you how to make concrete leaf castings of rhubarb, burdock, grape and other sizable leaves, using a sand mold. Then create a leaf-imprinted concrete bowl for your garden. Materials: \$5.

- 1:00-5:00 **B09 GOURD THUNDER DRUM: ROGNESS**—Carter and Cooper, two Woodlander scholarship kids, will team up as instructors with this really cool workshop. You will create your very own thunder maker using a precut and sanded gourd and some mystery ingredients. You will put it together and embellish it with imprints, paint, carving, or woodburning. Then shake it, and you may need to look out for the lightning and run for cover. Materials: \$25.
- 1:00-5:00 **B10 MASON JAR MUG HANDLE/HOLDER: TUFTEE**—Bob has worked out a neat idea for forging a holder or handle for a Mason jar, just the right rustic look for home brew. Bob, who has taught many blacksmithing workshops at Shake Rag Alley, will guide you in forging a steel handle that will fit a standard pint (16 oz) Mason jar. You'll learn some of the tricks and terms of blacksmithing in the process and will enjoy using this handsome handmade jar holder. Materials: \$8.
- 1:00-5:00 **B11 RUSTIC BOOKCASE: KINGERY**—Learn the essentials of rustic construction, how to make shelving that stands securely upright and doesn't sway, and how to make your work graceful and beautiful as well. Todd, a professional rustic artist who has created rustic furniture for galleries and shops across the country, will share his skill and knowledge with you as you build your bookcase. Materials: \$45.
- 5:00-6:30 **B12 PICNIC ON THE GREEN:** —A good time to relax and share your day's creative adventures. Plan to join the group after to make and sample homemade soda pop, then stick around for the Woodlanders first folk dance party, live music, lessons, and dance! Materials: \$10.
- 7:00-8:30 **B13 RUSTIC TWIG WAR: INSTRUCTORS & STUDENTS**—You'll get sorted into motley teams and all will be challenged to create—from a general stash of branches, scrap wood, junk, and weird stuff—something special, revealed only at the last moment. And it must be done in what's left of an hour or so, and judged by a local recycled artist. The constructs will be on display and maybe even auctioned off.

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2016**

- 7:30-8:30 **REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN:** Shake Rag Alley Office, 18 Shake Rag St
- 8:30-11:30 **C01 MOTHER NATURE'S GEOMETRY: JOHNSON**—Jan, an excellent watercolorist, will introduce you to Mother Nature as a great architect. She will show you design and patterns in the natural world... big ones and tiny ones that you have never seen before. You will see nature in a fascinating and completely new way. Bring a good magnifying glass. No materials fee.
- 8:30-11:30 **C02 RUSTIC GARDEN BENCH: SOMAN/DUDLEY/KULICK**—Dan, Kelly, and Max are the perfect rustic woodworker team to assist you in making your very own rustic bench from scratch. You'll choose and trim up a slab of wood for the seat. You'll make rustic legs, drill holes, fit the legs, and you'll go home with a family heirloom! Materials: \$25.
- 8:30-11:30 **C03 RUSTIC "CRITTER" GARDEN SCULPTURE: DONOVAN**—Michael, artist and imaginative carpenter, will inspire you with his rustic-plus-found-object sculpture. You'll construct your own "pooch," cat, bird, or any other "critter" creation from lots of old boards and fascinating "junk" he'll bring to class. Great fun! Materials: \$25.
- 8:30-11:30 **C04 WOODBURNING RUSTIC ORNAMENTS: ELGIN**—Try your woodburning skills with Paul's rustic ornament project. He will have patterns for you to follow, or he'll show you how to draw or transfer your own pattern to the wood ornament. It will be a family holiday treasure. Materials: \$5.
- 8:30-11:30 **C05 WOVEN BIRD HOUSE: WHITT**— Marcia, a master basket maker, will show you how to create a charming, yet functional, birdhouse by weaving willow withes and other natural materials into an intriguing teardrop shape. Your birds will love it! No experience necessary. Materials: \$10.

- 8:30-4:00 **C06 WOOD & PAPER SCULPTURAL BOX: HAUGEN**—Working with pre-cut pieces of thin wood, build a box and a lid, with Larry’s expert help. Then embellish your box with beautiful papers from around the world, and add embellishments like coins, twigs, bark, wine corks, sea shells or your own personal additions. It can be an exquisite jewelry case, a treasure box, a handsome sculpture with a rustic flair. Materials: \$10.
- 8:30-4:00 **C07 BLACKSMITHING A GARDEN BELL: TUFTEE**—With the help of an expert blacksmith, you will recycle a steel oxygen tank into a beautiful, melodious bell for your patio, porch or garden. Bob will guide you through the blacksmithing and welding steps it takes to make the bell and the iron loop on top that supports it, plus a clapper for the inside. Some experience in metal working would be helpful, but beginners are definitely welcome. Materials: \$15.
- 11:30-1:00 **LUNCH ON THE GREEN:** A chance to chat, meet new friends and reconnect with old friends. (Included in your daily fee. If you wish to add a guest \$8)
- 1:00-5:00 **C08 RUSTIC WINE CADDY: ARENDT**—Jim, a willow work pro, will supply the fresh willow withes and the “how to,” and you will assemble a rustic basket that will accommodate four bottles of your favorite wine (wine not included). A terrific gift idea for a wine-loving friend or your own cabin in the woods. Materials: \$5.
- 1:00-5:00 **C09 NATURE THEMED JEWELRY: VIKTORA**—Find or bring a small leaf, fern or other piece of organic material and impress it into copper clay, then dry and fire it to create one or two rustic organic pure copper pendants or charms to wear home. You will learn how to work with copper clay including firing with a small butane “crème brulee” torch. If you don’t have an item for your piece, Sherry has many to choose from. Materials: \$7.
- 1:00-5:00 **C10 RUSTIC XMAS IN JULY: KINGERY**—Todd is bringing a little holiday cheer early this year. With his expert help you’ll be making 3 or 4 rustic winter yard art pieces crafted from willow or maple twigs and branches. These charming Christmas trees, stars, and reindeer are some of Todd’s most popular items in galleries and shops around the country. Materials: \$40.
- 1:00-5:00 **C11 TOWER TRELLIS: KOPECKI**—A willow tower adds dimension and rustic beauty to a garden as well as supporting your flowering vines and climbing cucumbers, pole beans and squash. Mary will help you create your tower with basic basketry weaves around the rustic 6–7 ft. tall “teepee” structure. No experience necessary but the process requires decent hand and arm strength and the ability to kneel and sit on the ground. Materials: \$35.
- 1:00-4:30 **C12 ETCHED WINE BOTTLE TUMBLERS: SPELIC**—It’s all about creative re-use! In this workshop, you’ll make two unique tumblers from your empty wine bottles. You’ll cut the bottle’s neck from its cylindrical bottom and even out the rough edges. You’ll create a pattern—geometric, floral, or text—by cutting into adhesive acid-resistant material, and finally you’ll acid etch your design permanently onto the glass surface. Join Carole in this reduce/reuse/recycle project. Come with a bold, graphic design idea or just the initials of your intended recipient. Materials: \$15.
- 1:00-5:00 **C13 TRIANGULAR SLATE TOP SIDE TABLE: WERNER**—Natural slate looks great with rustic wood. With one of the Woodlanders most inventive and talented free-form rustic artists you will build an attractive, sturdy, triangular side table with a handsome slate mosaic top. Materials: \$35.
- 5:00-6:30 **C14 PICNIC ON THE GREEN:** —A good time to relax and share your day’s creative adventures over a tasty picnic dinner. Stick around after for an annual Woodlander tradition—Creating your miniature boat for the Sunset Mini-Boat Race, Bonfire, & S’more. Picnic Dinner: \$10

- 6:30-7:30 **C15 MINI-BOAT BUILDING: ELGIN/ROGNESS**—Prepare for tonight’s annual tradition — THE RACE DOWN THE RUSHING WATERS. Conjure up a “boat” to survive the rapids of Sharp’s Creek. Make your boat of leaves, flowers, twigs, candy wrappers, anything that will float, for a hilarious boat launch. Paul and Jamie will inspire you with ideas and help. No fee.
- 7:30-9:00 pm **C16 SUNSET MINI-BOAT RACE, BONFIRE, AND S’MORES**—Artisans John and Jennifer Sharp graciously invite Woodlanders to their amazing hand-built home for our annual mini-boat race in their creek. After the race, you’ll feel like a kid at summer camp—“just settin” around a campfire making music, small-talk, and s’mores.” Bring an instrument if you wish. Awards for most beautiful boat, most unique, and the winner of the race down the rushing waters.

**SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2016**

- 7:30-8:30 **REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN:** Shake Rag Alley Office, 18 Shake Rag St
- 8:30-11:30 **D01 MINIATURE TWIG FURNITURE: CLARK**—Craft a charming little chair, settee, or garden bench out of driftwood twigs, seed pods, seashells, and other natural materials. George, an artist of many talents, will supply everything you need, including glue guns, but you are welcome to bring some of your own embellishments, if you wish. Materials: \$15.
- 8:30-11:30 **D02 RUSTIC TWIG MOSAIC FRAME: CABEZAS**—Tom is a master woodworker with a very creative edge. He will provide the basic materials and guidance for you to make a fabulous and functional twig mosaic frame that will handsomely set off an 8”x10” mirror, photo, or work of art. Materials: \$30.
- 8:30-11:30 **D03 TWIG & HYPERTUFA PLANTER: SUTCLIFFE**—Make one or more hypertufa (lightweight concrete) planters, choosing from a variety of shapes and sizes, and decorate with embedded twigs or pebbles. Hypertufa’s rustic, rugged look pairs so well with succulents and other garden plants. Materials: \$5.
- 8:30-11:30 **D04 BLACKSMITHING LEAF HOOKS: DONALDSON**—Pick up a hammer and try the art and craft of blacksmithing with forge and anvil. Eric, a gifted blacksmith instructor, will demonstrate and also help you create your own useful iron hooks with an attractively hammered, decorative leaf design. Materials: \$5
- 8:30-4:00 **D05 MARKET BASKET: RILEY**—Always exploring new creations, Regina is a masterful basket maker. She will show you how to create a charming market basket approximately 12" long X 7" wide X 5" high. You will weave a basic over, under weave with a color arrow design in the middle. If time permits, she will show you how to wrap the wooden handle for added color. Materials: \$15.
- 8:30-4:00 **D06 CANVAS PLACE MATS: KITTO**—Kathy teaches floorcloth painting classes, and this is a smaller version of floorcloths. You’ll prepare two placemat canvases and decorate them with natural leaf prints plus painted borders. This is a great intro to the art of floorcloth painting, and you’ll treasure the set! Materials: \$15.
- 11:30-1:00 **LUNCH ON THE GREEN:** A chance to chat, meet new friends and reconnect with old friends. (Included in your daily fee. If you wish to add a guest \$8)
- 1:00-5:00 **D07 ACCENT TABLE/PLANT STAND: SOMAN**—Create a charming accent table or use it as a plant stand, 32” high with a shelf at the top and the bottom. Dan, an expert rustic artist, will provide a variety of rustic materials, recycled boards, twigs, and curly willow. And he’ll show you the secrets of making a table stable! Materials: \$25.
- 1:00-4:00 **D08 FAUX SCRIMSHAW ON DEER BONE: KOSTOHRYS**—Jim, an excellent wildlife artist, will help you create a scrimshaw-like image on a deer shoulder bone. You don’t have to be an artist to create a really beautiful work of art. You will transfer finely drawn wildlife images (an eagle, lion, or raccoon) in scrimshaw style using a micropen. No materials fee.

- 1:00-4:00 **D09 STONE & WIRE SNAIL SCULPTURE: SMEJA**—With some roundy stones and two sizes of copper wire, you'll learn how to make garden snails to decorate your garden and scare off the lowly slugs. Cheryl's versatile talents turn here to wire and how you can "cage" a stone with it, like jewelry, and keep it all snug without having to solder. This snail will win the race! Materials: \$6.
- 1:00-4:00 **D10 CHERRY BURL WOOD PENDANT: ELGIN**—Paul has created a rustic jewelry project for you of a beautifully finished cherry burl pendant as smooth as glass. Already cut out, you will be doing a thorough sanding job to achieve the right smooth surface and lovely warm cherry hue. An adjustable leather neck band will add a classy look to your work of art. Materials: \$20.