

## *Dear Carvers*

As we celebrate the **22<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Klondike Days**, we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to participate in the **2012 Klondike Days, Chainsaw Carving Competition** sponsored by First National Bank. This year's event will be held on **March 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> of 2012**. Participants will compete in two events, a Main Event and a Quick Carve Event. Entry into the Competition requires a \$50.00 non-refundable entry fee from each participant. Entries must be received by February 17, 2012.

**The payout for the Main Event will be as follows.**

1 <sup>st</sup> )	\$1,000.00	4 <sup>th</sup> )	\$ 200.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> )	\$ 500.00	5 <sup>th</sup> )	\$ 100.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> )	\$ 300.00	6 <sup>th</sup> )	\$ 50.00

Competitors are expected to supply their own wood for the main event. Set up will begin on Friday afternoon and continue Saturday morning. Each competitor will be expected to carve both days, although it is not expected that the carving will be continuous. Carving times for the main event will be Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Sunday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

This years chain saw carving contest will be wide open for the carvers. However being wide open to use what ever tools to carve and finish keeping in mind that we no not have power to the site. Carvers can use markers to mark the area to be cut and blowers to remove sawdust. Burning and brushing with a wire brush of the burned area will also be allowed. Judgment concerning tools and finishes will be at the sole discretion of the event coordinator and will be considered final although there will be a brief meeting before the event to give Carvers an opportunity to address any questions or concerns they may have.

Individuals not affiliated with the management of Klondike Days will conduct judging on Sunday afternoon. Judging will be based on several factors including creative expression, artistic quality, balance and proportion, and similarity to the Klondike Days theme. The carving being done during the event will be the sole basis for judging and will be the property of the competitor when finished. Competitors may display and sell other carvings, but these should be placed in such a manner as to not influence the judges' decision.

A **quick carving competition** will be held Sunday after the judging of the main event. The winner of the one-hour quick carving competition will receive \$150.00. The 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner will receive \$50.00. All quick carve pieces will become property of Klondike Days to be auctioned off at the following year's event to raise money for Klondike Days. Rules and judging for the Quick Carving Competition will be the same as above, except there will be no restriction on the theme of the carving. We will supply the wood for the Quick Carving Competition.

**We have reserved 55 motel rooms in 5 different hotels until the date of February 12; use the "Klondike Participant" keyword to book a room a one of the following.**

Bayside Motor Lodge	715/479-1411	Days Inn	715/479-5151
Super 8	715/477-0888	Derby Inn	715/479-1600
	Eagle River Inn	715/479-2000	

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