

**North Texas Wood Carvers Guild**

**President:** Al Smith  
**Vice President:** Mike Chambers  
**Treasurer:** Ron Reeves  
**2012 Show Chair:** Doug Sandling

**Next Meeting: October 13, 2011**

Monthly meetings at the Heights Recreational Center located at the SW corner of Arapaho and Floyd Rd in Richardson (711 W. Arapaho Road). Meetings occur on the second Thursday of every month from 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM.

Website: [ntxwoodcarverguild.com](http://ntxwoodcarverguild.com)  
 Find us on Facebook as well!!!

Input for the NTWCG Newsletter must get to the Editor by the Monday of the week before the meeting. We will print information on items you might want to sell, instruction you may be giving at your studio or at group seminars, or other information that may be of interest to our membership. Input should be in writing via US mail or electronic via email. You may also contact the editor for input/comments at: Jennifer Laughlin, 18909 Lloyd Circle #1318, Dallas, Tx 75252, ph. (361)894-5744, or email me at: [jenniferstithem@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferstithem@yahoo.com)

FROM THE PRESIDENT: **AL SMITH**

**President Comments**

I'm sorry I missed the meeting last month but it was beyond my capabilities. I'm not sure that I'm going to be there this month because I still have my arm in a sling with a big pillow strapped to it. But I'm going to try. It is not easy typing with an arm in a sling so this will be short. I know most of you don't read it anyway and the rest of you are saying great!

There is a Festival October 22 at Cedar Hill State Park and we have several tables there. If you have already told Ron Reeves you are going good; if not talk to Ron. Then I got a notice from the Amarillo club that they are going to have Artistry in Wood 2011; November 19-20. Additional information can be gotten by calling Ginger Webster 806-352-2417 or Nancie Sisemore at 806-355-3848 or go on line at [nancjes@subglobal.net](mailto:nancjes@subglobal.net).

I keep asked you to put your thinking cap on and bring forth some ideas that would help our show be better next year. I asked you to give the ideas to Doug or me. I haven't gotten any feedback yet and I don't know if Doug has or not. I know there are ideas floating around out there so please open up those heads and bring forth ideas to help the show.

Decisions can take you out  
 Of God's will but never out  
 Of his reach.

God Bless Al Smith

**MARCH MEETING MINUTES:**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mike Chambers.

**Attendance:** Mike & Bev Chambers, Ray North, Roy Wood, Bob McIver, Dean Walden, Sally Miller, Bob Wood, David Borg, Don Smith, Bill Lacy, Mildred Lacy and Jennifer Laughlin.

**Old Business**

- Angels and Crosses - We are carving Crosses and Angels for Baylor Sammons Cancer Center. Please bring completed carvings to next meeting or if unable to come to meeting talk to Al Smith ([althetease@verison.net](mailto:althetease@verison.net)) to arrange delivery or pick-up. We have had a wonderful turnout, let's not let up on the project!

## New Business

- We are keeping both Al Smith and Paul Welborn in our prayers as Al is undergoing surgery and Paul is at Reliant Rehab Hospital
- We would like to congratulate David Borg for his 8 ribbons at the Caricature Carvers of America
- Thanks to Sarah King for our project this past month, it was a very interesting and fun project!
- We are still looking for people to lead monthly projects! All of next year is open, If you are available to lead please let Jennifer Laughlin know at [jenniferstithem@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferstithem@yahoo.com) or 361-894-5744
- Calli Laurence wants a carving for her husband. She has a blanket chest that she wants her husband's badge number carved into. If you are interested please call her at 214-334-5249

## UPCOMING MEETING PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The current schedule is:

October 2011	Jennifer Laughlin	April 2012	Open
November 2012	Bob McIver	May 2012	Open
December 2012	Christmas Party	June 2012	Open
January 2012	Open	July 2012	Open
February 2012	Open	August 2012	Open
March 2012	Open	September 2012	Open

## August Project: Jennifer Laughlin – Connected Hearts



## WOOD CARVING EVENTS:

<b>Oct 16-20: Branson, Missouri</b> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Woodcarving Rendevous II. For more information visit their website <a href="http://www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminarii.htm">www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminarii.htm</a>
<b>Oct 29-30: Oklahoma City, OK</b> – 45 <sup>th</sup> Annual Artistry in Wood. For more information visit their website <a href="http://www.okcarver.org/artistry.htm">www.okcarver.org/artistry.htm</a> or contact Richard Dalke at (405)255-3438 or <a href="mailto:redalke@gmail.com">redalke@gmail.com</a>
<b>Nov 10-12: Tyler, TX</b> – Wooden Wonderland Sponsored by the East Texas Woodcarvers. The annual 2 day woodcarving show & sale. For more information visit their website <a href="http://etexwoodcarvers.com">etexwoodcarvers.com</a> or email Lorrie Thomas at <a href="mailto:justforLT@aol.com">justforLT@aol.com</a> or (903)746-1893
<b>Nov 19-21: Amarillo, TX</b> – Artistry in Wood Show. For more information go to <a href="http://www.gswoodcarvers.com">www.gswoodcarvers.com</a> , contact Ginger Webster at (806)352-2417 or email <a href="mailto:ginger.webster@anb.com">ginger.webster@anb.com</a>
<b>Jan 25-30: Pharr, TX</b> – Rio Grande Valley Woodcarvers Show
<b>Feb 4-9: Aransas Pass, TX</b> – Costal Bend Woodcarvers Club. Show on 4-5 <sup>th</sup> and classes 6-9 <sup>th</sup> For more information visit their website at <a href="http://www.show2012.philroets.com">http://www.show2012.philroets.com</a> or contact Philip Roets at (361)758-0906 or <a href="mailto:Philip@philroets.com">Philip@philroets.com</a>
<b>Mar 3-4: Grapevine, TX</b> – 38 <sup>th</sup> Annual Rhapsody in Wood show by the North Texas Woodcarvers Guild. For more information go to <a href="http://ntxwoodcarverguild.com">ntxwoodcarverguild.com</a> or contact Paul Wellborn at (972)758-8616 or <a href="mailto:paulw@ntxwoodcarverguild.com">paulw@ntxwoodcarverguild.com</a>
<b>Apr 22-28: New Braunfels, Texas</b> - Texas Woodcarving Guild Spring Classes. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see <a href="http://www.texaswoodcarversguild.com">www.texaswoodcarversguild.com</a>
<b>May 5-6: Mountain Home, Arkansas</b> – 32 <sup>th</sup> Annual North Arkansas Woodcarvers Club Show & Sale. For more information go to <a href="http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org/annualshow.html">www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org/annualshow.html</a> or contact Dick Dulaney at 870-424-3976 or email <a href="mailto:76rd@centurytel.net">76rd@centurytel.net</a>
<b>Jun ??: Tulsa, Oklahoma</b> - Wonderful World of Wood. For more information go to <a href="http://www.eowca.com">www.eowca.com</a> , contact Bill and Doris Payne 918-251-8734, cell: 918-408-3481, or email: <a href="mailto:wndcrver@cox.net">wndcrver@cox.net</a>
<b>Sep ??: Burleson, TX</b> – North Texas Woodcarvers Rally. For more information contact the Russell Farm Art Center at (817)447-3316 or <a href="http://www.russellfarmartcenter.com">www.russellfarmartcenter.com</a>
<b>Oct 3-9: Kerrville, TX</b> – Texas Woodcarving Guild Fall Extravaganza. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see <a href="http://www.texaswoodcarversguild.com">www.texaswoodcarversguild.com</a> Class Registration & Setup: 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; Classes 3-7; Show 8-9
<b>Oct 7-9: Mandeville, LA</b> – Louisiana Wildfowl Festival at the Castine Center. For more information visit their website <a href="http://lwccq.com">lwccq.com</a> If anyone knows of any changes to the above shows or would like to add shows please contact Jennifer Laughlin at (361)894-5744 or <a href="mailto:jenniferstithem@yahoo.com">jenniferstithem@yahoo.com</a>