

North Texas Wood Carvers Guild

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

Next Meeting: September 8, 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
 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

FROM THE PRESIDENT: **AL SMITH**

President Comments

August was our show-and-tell month. The winners were Jennifer Laughlin and Dean Walden. It was too difficult to pick a winner because both of the projects were great so we called it a tie. We also want to thank Ray for the project of the month which was very good. We hope and pray that Stan Kirtley's hand is well so he can start carving again or making knives. My guess is that he hasn't stopped **anyway**. **He is** tough and nothing stops him. Thanks for carving angels and I'm asking **you to continue** carving them.

I would like to welcome Sally Miller and Vicki Faurote as new members and ask each of you to welcome them and see what you can do to help them with their carving. Sally was at Rockler buying (I think) carving supplies. Welcome ladies.

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 some ideas floating around out there so please bring them forth and help the show.

Right now I do not plan on being there for the next meeting as I will be having rotater-kuf surgery on the day before and even though many of you will say I'm a tough old bird for lots of reasons I think I will be home taking care of my arm. Besides my wife says my driving has a lot to be desired and with only one arm in a sling she won't let me drive.

A person's true character is
 revealed by what they do
 when no one is watching.

God Bless Al Smith

MARCH MEETING MINUTES:

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Al Smith.

Attendance: Mike & Bev Chambers, Doug Sandling, Al Smith, Ron Reeves, Bernice Reeves, Ray North, Roy Wood, Stan Kirtley, Bob McIver, Neal Ator, Dean Walden, Sally Miller, Bob Wood, Art Lowe, Vicki Faurote, Walter Wharton, Paul DrMars, Tom Goetzinger, Robert Pope 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) to arrange delivery or pick-up. We have had a wonderful turnout, let's not let up on the project!

New Business

- We would like to welcome our new members: Sally Miller and Vicki Faurote as well as our guests: Art Lowe, Neil Ator, and Robert Pope! Glad to have you with us!
- The Harvest Hill Festival is coming up in Cedar Hill Park on October 22 from 11 – 4. If you would like to go please contact Ron Reeves because they would like a head count of how many people are going.

UPCOMING MEETING PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The current schedule is:

September 2011	Sarah King	March 2012	<i>Open</i>
October 2011	Jennifer Laughlin	April 2012	<i>Open</i>
November 2012	Bob McIver	May 2012	<i>Open</i>
December 2012	Christmas Party	June 2012	<i>Open</i>
January 2012	<i>Open</i>	July 2012	<i>Open</i>
February 2012	<i>Open</i>		

August Project: Sarah King will be joining us this month and teaching us better techniques on how to draw our own patterns!

WOOD CARVING EVENTS:

Sep 26-30: Burlleson, TX – North Texas Woodcarvers Rally. For more information contact the Russell Farm Art Center at (817)447-3316 or www.russellfarmartcenter.com
Oct 3-9: Kerrville, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Fall Extravaganza. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see www.texaswoodcarversguild.com Class Registration & Setup: 2 nd ; Classes 3-7; Show 8-9
Oct 7-9: Mandeville, LA – Louisiana Wildfowl Festival at the Castine Center. For more information visit their website lwccg.com
Oct 16-20: Branson, Missouri – 12 th Annual Woodcarving Rendevous II. For more information visit their website www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminarii.htm
Oct 29-30: Oklahoma City, OK – 45 th Annual Artistry in Wood. For more information visit their website www.okcarver.org/artistry.htm or contact Richard Dalke at (405)255-3438 or redalke@gmail.com
Nov 10-12: Tyler, TX – Wooden Wonderland Sponsored by the East Texas Woodcarvers. The annual 2 day woodcarving show & sale. For more information visit their website etexwoodcarvers.com or email Lorrie Thomas at justforLT@aol.com or (903)746-1893
Nov 19-21: Amarillo, TX – Artistry in Wood Show. For more information go to www.gswoodcarvers.com , contact Ginger Webster at (806)352-2417 or email ginger.webster@anb.com
Jan 25-30: Pharr, TX – Rio Grande Valley Woodcarvers Show
Feb 4-9: Aransas Pass, TX – Costal Bend Woodcarvers Club. Show on 4-5 th and classes 6-9 th For more information visit their website at http://www.show2012.philroets.com or contact Philip Roets at (361)758-0906 or Philip@philroets.com
Mar 3-4: Grapevine, TX – 38 th Annual Rhapsody in Wood show by the North Texas Woodcarvers Guild. For more information go to ntxwoodcarverguild.com or contact Paul Wellborn at (972)758-8616 or paulw@ntxwoodcarverguild.com
Apr 22-28: New Braunfels, Texas - Texas Woodcarving Guild Spring Classes. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see www.texaswoodcarversguild.com
May 5-6: Mountain Home, Arkansas – 32 th Annual North Arkansas Woodcarvers Club Show & Sale. For more information go to www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org/annualshow.html or contact Dick Dulaney at 870-424-3976 or email 76rd@centurytel.net
Jun ??: Tulsa, Oklahoma - Wonderful World of Wood. For more information go to www.eowca.com , contact Bill and Doris Payne 918-251-8734, cell: 918-408-3481, or email: wndcrver@cox.net
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 jenniferstithem@yahoo.com