

North Texas Wood Carvers Guild

Local chapter of the National Woodcarvers Association

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Next Meeting: January 9th!



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**“TO PROMOTE, PRESERVE,
AND PERPETUATE THE ART OF
CARVING”**

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of
the month at WoodWorld at 7PM
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President's Comments

Happy New Year to all! We are off and running on a new carving year and I wish each of the members of the North Texas Woodcarving Guild the best for 2014. I am looking forward to a great year of carving and fun and fellowship. We will, again, try to get some good classes together and Jen is trying hard to get all of you involved in the projects for club meetings. In short we are looking forward to a great 2014 for the Guild.

For those of you that could not make the Christmas party you missed a good one. Jean and I enjoyed having those of you that could attend in our home. I have not heard from any old grinchies, everyone I have talked to said they had a good time; no fights broke out so I guess it was a success. We had 32 carvers and spouses which made a comfortable crowd in the house.

The next thing on the horizon is our show in March. This is the Guild's 40th show, that's a big deal. There are not too many clubs that have been in existence that long in Texas. I am sure the Guild is older than that as I am sure that there were no shows for a period of time as the club was growing. I am not aware of any history available that far back. Doug tells me that he has everything under control but what we do need is to spread the word about the show with friends and family. We need better participation not only from carvers but from the rest of the world. With the cost of attendance in the show being what it is some are talking about not getting tables and showing because of the lack of traffic. We all have to get behind this effort and make the 40th a big show. Thanks for stepping up to help. **IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO GET YOUR OWN SHOW REGISTRATION IN “SOONEST”** This will help Doug with his part of the show set up.

That is all I have for this edition of the Newsletter except to say again Happy New Year and,

Carve On!

Walt Wharton



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Featured Carver

Jean Wharton

Husband: Walter Wharton and a blended family of six children and ten grandchildren.

How long have you been "gourding?"

Since 2011

When did you become a member of NTWG?

We joined in 1994 when we moved back to Dallas.

Why do you decorate gourds?

It's a challenge to learn something new and creative.

How were you first introduced to gourds?

I saw a picture of a coffee table covered with decorated gourds in a magazine several years ago before I retired. They were beautiful and I thought I would like to try making them.

What is your favorite carving piece?

Right now it's an apple gourd (looks like a pumpkin) with a carved flowing vine pattern. Another was a tall gourd dyed with red alcohol dye with a multi-layer pine straw weaving.

What is your favorite type of decorating gourds?

Currently, it's pine straw weaving and carving with a Dremel.

What is one tip you would give to a new carver/gourder?

Keep trying! Several projects have ended up in the trash can, but the next attempt was much better.

Unusual Fact about Jean

I attended a one-room country school from first through eighth grade.

Happy Birthday!

Cal Stewart – Jan 5

Stu Alleman – Jan 8

Dick Nelson – Jan 9

Ron Reeves – Jan 15

Paul Wellborn – Jan 16

Sally Miller – Jan 16

Bud Pierce – Jan 18

Floyd Brigdon – Feb 2

Bernice Reeves – Feb 3

Happy Anniversary!

Ray & Ruth North – Jan 14

Project Schedule

Month	Leader	Month	Leader
January 9, 2014	Ray North	July 10, 2014	??
February 13, 2014		August 14, 2014	??
March 13, 2014	??	October 11, 2014	
April 10, 2014	??	September 9, 2014	??
May 8, 2014	??	November 14, 2014	??
June 12, 2014	??	December 12, 2014	??

December will be the Christmas Party held at Walter Wharton's house!



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I'm New, What do I do?

Those of you who are just beginning carving and have questions should go to our designated project leaders during the meeting. Walter Wharton, Doug Sandling will do a great job helping you to use and improve your carving skills! Don't know who they are, Find the girl with the hat (Jen) and she can point you in the right direction!

Wednesdays with Walter

Don't forget that Walter Wharton has extended an invitation for carvers to come to his shop on Wednesday morning for tips, tricks and advice on their projects. His number is 469-579-8328 and he asks that you call a day or two in advance to set up the time.



I can't cut it out?

Here is an offer for those of you that do not have band saws to cut out new projects. Take your piece of wood and the pattern to Walter Wharton, Tommy Schutz, or Doug Sandling and they will cut it out for you.

Getting Ready for the Show

Show application can now be downloaded on the website at www.ntxcarvers.com Please get your table reserved sooner than later to allow Doug to plan everything out well!

We want to spread the word about the show, if you would like some fliers to hand out to friends, family, or co-workers please let Jen know (jenniferstithem@yahoo.com or 361-894-5744)

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Doug Sandling (pjsandling13@gmail.com or 214-564-9308)

We are accepting Donations for the silent Auction (remember that Walter and Jean are buying their favorite piece for \$75 – paid to the carver) if you have a donation please let either Doug Sandling or Jennifer Laughlin know (See above information). We also need donations for the Raffle as well!



INTEREST

Let's Raise Interest This Year for our Show and Sale!!!

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Upcoming Events

Jan 2	Pharr, TX – Rio Grande Valley Woodcarvers Show
Jan 31 - Feb 8	Aransas Pass, TX – 2 day show followed by the seminar. Costal Bend Woodcarvers Club. For more information visit their website at http://www.show2012.philroets.com or contact Philip Roets at (361)758-0906 or Philip@philroets.com
March 1-2	Grapevine, TX – 38th Annual Rhapsody in Wood show by the North Texas Woodcarvers Guild. For more information go to ntxcarvers.com or contact Doug Sandling at (214)564-9308 or pjsandling13@gmail.com
Apr21-26	New Braunfels, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Spring Classes. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see www.texaswoodcarvers.com
May 3-4	Mountain Home, AK – 32 nd Annual North Arkansas Woodcarvers Club Show and 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 1-6	Branson, MO – Rendezvous. Compton Ridge Campground Convention Center. See www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminari.htm
Jun?	Tulsa, OK – Wonderful World of Wood. Union Multipurpose Activity Center (6836 S Mingo St.) For more information go to www.eowca.com or contact Flo Hancock at (918)899-1946 or email woodcarver001@yahoo.com
July13-19	Creede, Co – Creede Woodcarvers Rendezvous in Creede Colorado. For more information call Karen Oquin at (303)940-3505 or email wnwcarver@aol.com or enroll online at www.creedewoodcarvers.com
Sept 8-13	War Eagle, AK – War Eagle Week Contact Charles Wolfe at carverwolfe@sbcglobal.net or at http://wareaglewoodcarvingseminar.weebly.com
Sept 26-28	Houston Area Woodcarvers Show & Sale. Contact Jim Berry email: jamberry9729@sbcglobal.net Phone: 713-729-1437
Sept 29 - Oct 5	New Braunfels, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Fall Extravaganza. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see www.texaswoodcarvers.com
Oct ?	Branson, MO – Woodcarving Rondezvous II. For more information visit their website www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminarii.htm
Oct ?	Oklahoma City, OK – Artistry in Wood. For more information visit their website http://okcarver.org/ or contact Kent Wallace at (405)819-0460 or at president@okcarver.com
Oct ?	Big Springs, Mustang Draw show and classes: Contact: Jim Fryar at (806)399-4510
Nov 1-2	Amarillo, TX – Artistry in Wood Show. For more information go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GSWoodcarvers/ , or contact Ginger Webster at (806)352-2417 or email gingerwebster@ang.com
Nov ?	Glen Rose, TX – Show , Classes. For more information contact Joyce with the City of Glen Rose (214-897-3081) www.glenroseevent.com

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 woodcarverette@gmail.com

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Have Something to Say?

Input for the NTWG Newsletter must get to the Editor by 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 email. You may also contact the editor for input/comments at: Jennifer Laughlin, 361-894-5744 or woodcarverette@gmail.com