

North Texas Wood Carvers Guild

Local chapter of the National Woodcarvers Association

www.ntxcarvers.com

June 2014

Next Meeting: June 12



Members at the May Meeting

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

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2nd Thursday of each month at 7PM

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President's Comments

Thank you to Jennifer for handling the May meeting while I was ill. I heard the wood spirit carving was a wonderful project. It was one I was sorry to miss, especially since I like to carve hiking sticks. The project received great feedback and a couple of our newer members shared their results with me.

I would like to discuss in our June meeting the possibility of a guild historian, or a team of folks that would like to work to document the guild as far back as we can and continue to document for future generations of North Texas Woodcarvers. I would like to participate and possibly get a few of our tenured members involved as well. In the beginning I don't think we can involve too many members in compiling this important information. We can start by compiling in paper form, then convert to digital to ensure we don't lose any information. This is a project that I have some passion around and I hope others will as well.

I would also like to try and finalize discussion around the picnic, maybe a date and what everyone would like to see. Gregg has been working hard gathering information, so we can discuss more at the June meeting. If you are unable to attend please email Jennifer or myself with your input.

Gregg is also doing some work trying to uncover what would be required if we get involved in Boy Scouts. More to come on this. Please let me know if you are interested.

Summer is here and I understand lower turn out for our meetings, I hope that everyone will stay involved year round and extend the offer to any new carvers you come across. Thanks to those that attend monthly, It means a great deal to me and the Guild.

Yours in Service

Steve Davis



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Featured Carver

David Borg
Spouse: Janet
Dog: Bailey

How long have you been carving?

David's very first carving was a shelf mouse which was completed in November of 2006. He joined NTWG in 2008 and entered his first competition at Grapevine in 2009. He received 6 Blue, 5 Red, 1 White, and 4 green

Why do you carve?

The main reason is pure enjoyment. However, it also leaves something your descendants can have to remember you from time to time

What is your favorite type of carving?

I enjoy just about all types of carvings I have tried. However, I have been focused on carvings of caricatures and dragons. I converted my enjoyment of carving dragon and animal caricatures into teaching classes. I wanted to share what I learned with others. Hopefully they will enjoy it as much as I do. The class is titled: Hatching Dragons and Other Critters

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

My background is in engineering. This gave me grounding in mechanical drawing. When I start a project, I think of a three dimensional object as: top view, side view, and front view. I carve with these views in mind. I do not round or undercut until the project is completely roughed out. This approach helps visualize the symmetry of the piece and allows you to better judge comparative size of the various parts of your carving. Therefore I recommend new carvers to carve in perpendicular planes. Rounding and undercutting should be delayed until the finishing phase of your project

Happy Birthday

Robert Schutz
June 2

Louise Stevens
June 14

Bob McIver
June 19

Paul DeMars
June 25

David Robertson
June 28

Mike & Bev Chambers – June 2 (40 years!)

Richard & Lu Abbondanzio – June 6 (44 years!)

Frank & Susan Chavez – June 7 (33 years!)

Danny Reb & Wanda Reichert – June 8 (29 years!)

Stu & Cindy Alleman – June 16 (37 years!)

Ron & Bernice Reeves – June 16 (51 years!)

John & Anita Laffey – July 1 (14 years!)

Happy Anniversary

Project Schedule

Month	Leader	Month	Leader
June 12, 2014	David LeClair (Easter Island heads)	December 11, 2014	Christmas Party!
July 10, 2014	??	January 8, 2015	??
August 7, 2014	??	February 12, 2015	??
September 11, 2014	Ray North (frog)	March 12, 2015	??
October 9, 2014	??	April 9, 2014	??
November	??	May 7,	??

**We need
volunteers to
lead monthly
projects!!!**



Class by Charley Phillips

Flowers in a basket

Class Fee: \$160 plus blank

Dates: July 25-27 (Starting in the evening on Friday)

Location: Newark, Texas (other side of Denton)

Charley Phillips: 817-437-5310

CLASS ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

Chris Hammack – Western Caricature or Pirate

Class fee \$165, plus roughout. Roughouts will cost between \$12-\$40

Dates: September 5-6, 2014

Location: Newark, Texas

Chris Hammack: 254-485-0668

Charley Phillips (Organizer/Host): 817-437-5310

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May 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Laughlin at 7:00PM.

Attendance: Jennifer Laughlin, Jerry Neild, David Robertson, Paul DeMars, Charley Phillips, Gregg Shields, Sally Miller, Ed Williams, Hiram Sloan, Dean Walden, Ron & Bernice Reeves

New Business

- We have a new educational director: Robert Schutz. Robert will be in charge of finding and arranging classes for the guild
- We are debating having a summer picnic in September or October to allow people to gather and share in the camaraderie
 - White Rock Lake: Central location, available for rent for about \$100.
 - Bachman Lake: Also central, also about \$100
 - Country Place Homeowner Park: Secluded, includes use of a gas grill, beach volley ball pits, horseshoes, tether ball. "The treehouse" is over a pavilion, a lovely air-conditioned room. We could just use the outdoor facilities for \$30, but could use the Treehouse in case of rain or heat, for an additional \$30.
 - Texas Discovery Garden-Fair Park: Central location for all except Fort Worthers. Unique location with butterfly house. They have picnic tables, but no room for games. \$8 per person admission, \$6 for seniors.
- The members present seemed to favor the Country Place Park the best

Old Business

- Some people are unable to come to the meetings because they do not want to drive at night
 - Many people have volunteered to give rides, if interested please contact Steve Davis or Jen Laughlin
- Volunteers are needed to lead monthly projects; the majority of the rest of the year is still open for you to volunteer, if everyone who attends our meetings volunteered only once every other year we wouldn't have to worry about needing volunteers.
 - If you want to volunteer please contact Jen Laughlin



This was carved by Wanda Rushing Reichert, she and husband Danny Reb have donated it to Crutchfield Heights Baptist Church to give it away on July, to receive a chance to win \$5 will get you a ticket or \$25 for 6 tickets. You may mail your check to Crutchfield Heights Baptist Church 600 So Dewey Av Sherman Tx,75090. You can call Wanda at 903-532-5551

Hi my name is



If you need a nametag, please contact Doug Sandling (pjsandling13@gmail.com) so that he can get you one. Nametags cost \$8.00 a piece



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.

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. Steve Davis, Doug Sandling and Jennifer Laughlin 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!

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Upcoming Events

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 Handcock 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 Dan Gillen at 512-630-9950 or see www.texaswoodcarvers.com
Oct 20-24	Branson, MO – Woodcarving Rendezvous II. For more information visit their website www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminarii.htm
Oct 1-19	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 9-15	Glen Rose, TX – Show, Classes. For more information contact Joyce with the City of Glen Rose (214-897-3081) www.glenroseevent.com
Jan ?	Pharr, TX – Rio Grande Valley Woodcarvers Show. For more info go to http://www.rgvwoodcarvers.org/rgvWoodcarvingShow.htm or email Fred Stenman at fstenman@msn.com (320-253-2132)
Feb 7-14	Aransas Pass, TX – 2 day show followed by the seminar. Coastal Bend Woodcarvers Club. For more information contact Philip Roets at (361)758-0906 or Philip@philroets.com
March 7-8	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
Apr19-24	New Braunfels, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Spring Classes. For more information contact Dan Gillen at 512-630-9950 or see www.texaswoodcarvers.com
May ?	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

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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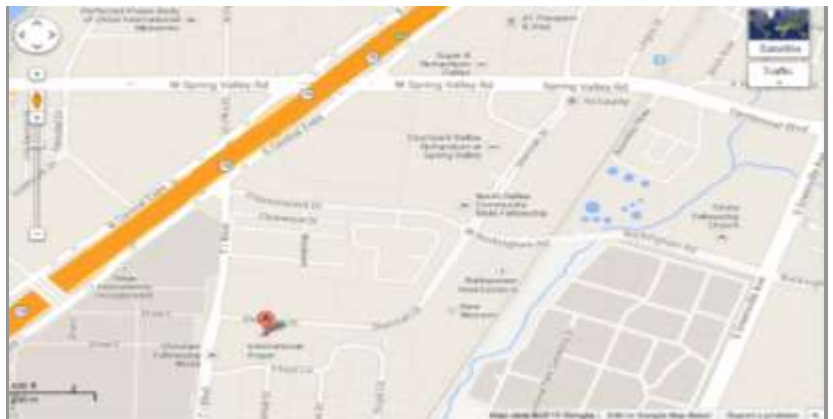
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Have Something to Say?

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 electronic via email. You may also contact the editor for input/comments at: Jennifer Laughlin, 361-894-5744 or woodcarverette@gmail.com