

North Texas Wood Carvers Guild

Local chapter of the National Woodcarvers Association

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May 2014

Next Meeting: May 8



Our members that placed at the
Texas WoodCarvers Guild
Whittling Contest

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

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President's Comments

Hard to believe it is May already. We talked about several new ideas in our meeting in April and I am happy to say the ball is rolling on a few of them. Jen has added some information around the share a ride program we want to try and implement. I am excited to see if we can help some of the members get to our meetings that are unable to on their own. Gregg Shields is working on the summer picnic and will be sharing what he has come up with and looking for input at our May meetings. Be sure to attend to hear more and provide some feedback. Robert Schultz is heading up bringing in new instructors. I believe he has some information to share at the May meeting as well.

Several of our Guild members traveled to New Braunfels for the Texas Woodcarvers Guild spring classes. Everything from Angle Ornaments, to fisherman busts, relief carvings, bark carvings and even decorative carvings on a shelf was tackled. It was a fun time. The Texas State whittling championship was held as well. The North Texas Woodcarvers guild was well represented. We even managed to take home a few plaques. If you are on Facebook you probably saw the results. In the Novice division Paul DeMars took 2nd and our new member Ed Williams took 1st, both whittling a 1920s laced up shoe. In the intermediate division I managed a 1st place by whittling a lawman with badge on his chest and a tommy gun across him. In the open division Wanda Reichert took 3rd place by carving a lady from the 1920s with a pearl necklace around her neck. It was a fun time.

Keep thinking of new ways to expand the guild and how to reach that new generation of carvers. I know they are out there; we just need them to know we are out there looking for them. :) I am sure everyone needed a break after the show and that is why attendance was so low at the last meeting, I look forward to having us at full force again in May. We have some great projects lined up.

Thank you always,
Steve Davis



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Featured Carver

David Robertson



Spouse: Margie

3 Children, 2 Grandchildren

How long have you been carving?

Eighteen years ago I was looking for a hobby. I had taken classes in pottery, oil painting, glass blowing and finally carving. A friend suggested I try chip carving. I took a class and have been chip carving since.

What is your favorite type of carving?

My favorite style is chip carving using various variations. I especially enjoy making crosses using different designs, styles, and sizes

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

Don't be afraid of the knife or the wood. They are your friends and give you an opportunity to express yourself and give back what God has given you

Another interesting Fact!

Prior to retirement, I served as an active pastor for 39 years. My wife was a pre-school/elementary school teacher

Happy Birthday

Thomas English – May 10
Jean Wharton – May 12
Joan Nelson – May 15
Katy Nield – May 19
Flo Morrison – May 21
Walter Wharton – May 26
Bud Tabor – May 30
Robert Schutz – June 2

Happy Anniversary

Gene & Linda Adams – May 13
(48 Years!)
Paul & Lari DeMars – May 18
(30 Years!)
Jen & Jay Laughlin – May 29
(4 Years!)
Mike & Beverly Chambers – June 2
(40 Years!)
Richard & Lu Abbondanzio – June 6
(44 Years!)

Project Schedule

Month	Leader	Month	Leader
May 8, 2014	David Robertson (wood spirits out of aspen)	November 14, 2014	??
June 12, 2014	??	December 12, 2014	Christmas Party!
July 10, 2014	??	January 9, 2015	??
August 8, 2014	??	February 13, 2015	??
September 12, 2014	Ray North (frog)	March 13, 2015	??
October 10,	??	April 10,	??

We need volunteers to lead monthly projects!!!

The Cross Timbers Woodcarvers have begun extended hours Meetings are ever Tuesday 4-8PM at the Denton Senior Center 509 N. Bell St.

For more information contact CJ Solberg (940-387-3089)

CLASS ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

Chris Hammack – Western Caricature or Pirate

Chris will be offering students a choice of several western or pirate caricatures!

Chris carves with about three tools. A good knife, a 1/8" V-gouge, and a #9 11mm-13mm gouge. 90% is carved with a knife

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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April 10, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Steve Davis at 7:00PM.

Attendance: Doug Sandling, Bob Case, Jennifer Laughlin, Steve Davis, David Leclair, Jerry Neild, David Robertson, Jack Sims, Vicki Faurote, Paul DeMars, Charley Phillips, Tommy Schutz, Ray & Ruth North, Robert Schutz, John Laffey, Gregg Shields, Stan Kirtley

New 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
 - We are also debating having a summer picnic to allow people to gather and share in the camaraderie
- Steve also wants to try to do some activities to try to inspire some younger carvers
- Wanda Reichert's class went Stupendous! We had 7 carvers and everyone was able to complete a stunning fish!!! Thank you to Wanda for teaching and for Danny for making sure our tools were sharp!

Old Business

- 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



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!



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 6th following the morning service, 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 to arrange as well

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Upcoming Events

- May 3-4 Mountain Home, AK – 32nd 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 Handcock at (918)899-1946 or email woodcarver001@yahoo.com
- July 13-19 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 ? Branson, MO – Woodcarving Rendezvous 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
- Jan ? Pharr, TX – Rio Grande Valley Woodcarvers Show
- Jan ? 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 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
- Apr 19-24 New Braunfels, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Spring Classes. For more information contact Dan Gillen at 512-630-9950 or see www.texaswoodcarvers.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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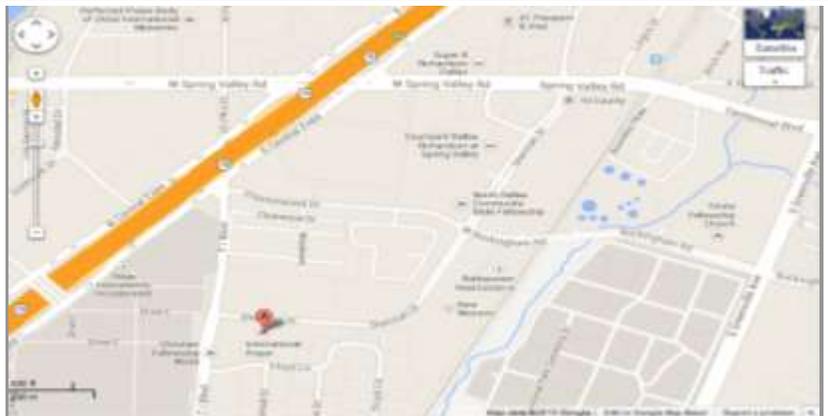
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Have Something to Say?

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