

**North Texas Woodcarvers Guild**

**President:** David Borg  
**Vice President:** Al Smith  
**Treasurer:** Ron Reeves  
**Newsletter Editor:** Paul DeMars  
**2010 Show Chair:** Fred Copeland & Flo Morrison

**Meeting: January 14, 2010**

Monthly meetings at the Fretz Recreational center, located at 6950 Beltline Rd. Meets occur on the second Thursday of every month from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

**Next Meeting: February 11, 2010**

Input for the NTWG 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: Paul DeMars, 709 Juniper Dr, Allen, Tx 75002, ph. 972-971-2491, or email me at: [pdemars@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pdemars@sbcglobal.net).

**From the Vice President:**

I was told that as the VP I was responsible for the monthly meeting projects. In 2009, the following members generously donated their time so that all of you who came had something to do besides look at each other. Ron Reeves, Paul DeMars, David Borg, Dick Nelson did a project and I thank them very much; Lynn/Bernice/Doug did a great job with the Christmas party and much thanks for a great party. In addition, Stan Kirtley, Al Smith and Ray North each did two (2) monthly projects which was above and beyond; and finally Walt had Patty Rucker help us with color theory.

As I count the members on the roster there are 62, however, some live out of town and don't make the meetings while on the average we have about 25 at each meeting. This means whoever has the monthly project must prepare for 25-30 possible members. Preparing for 25-30 members takes a lot of time: you have cutouts, copy patterns and instructions plus preparation in general and there is the cost of the copying and the wood. Not counting the time you stand at your band saw or jig saw cutting out the cutouts. Last year we voted that each person at the meeting, that is making use of this persons project, should contribute at least one dollar (\$1.00) to help pay for the material and copying. There were times no one contributed anything or may be \$2 total. I find this unacceptable!

**I believe that some of you who have not done a meeting project need to step up and contribute your time and energy instead of living off of everyone else., We are all busy and are time is important also; so for 2010 find a project and sign up for a month.**

***January is taken by Walt and February by Al..***

Please let me know if you would like to help the club in this way in 2010.

Thank you,

Al

**2010 Show News:**

Not much news to report since the registrations are coming in at an alarmingly slow rate. So far, 8 (yes, only 8) registrations have shown up. We are actively pursuing more carvers - especially NTWG club members - to participate in this year's show. We are already committed to the funds for the show, so in this time of poor economy, we don't want our money to go to waste! For new club members, if you have not participated previously, or if you "only have a few carvings", consider sharing a table with another new carver or one of our "old timers". If you don't want to "sit for two days", table sharing is a great option. You and your table partners can split or share the time at the table. We need to have a really great show in 2010 so that holding shows in the future can still be an option for the club. We are working diligently in getting more advertising and have better selling potential. Let's be sure to have a show that makes NTWG proud to host!

There is also other important information regarding the 2010 and 2011 shows, so please attend the meeting this Thursday. Everyone's input and suggestions are necessary to continue having woodcarving shows.

One important note: At this week's meeting, we will have more registration forms, business cards, post cards and flyers to give to members for you to distribute to your friends, family, businesses, churches, etc.

Flo

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**UPCOMING MEETING PROJECT SCHEDULE:**

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The current schedule is:

January	Walter Wharton
February	Al Smith
March	<i>open</i>
April	<i>open</i>
May	<i>open</i>
June	<i>open</i>
July	<i>open</i>
August	<i>open</i>
September	<i>open</i>
October	<i>open</i>
November	<i>open</i>
December	Christmas Party

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**UP COMING EVENTS:**

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**Jan 25-30:** Texas. Rally on the Rio, Pharr, TX. For more information contact [www.iidbs.com/riogrand](http://www.iidbs.com/riogrand)

**March 3-5, 2010 Grapevine, Texas** – “Rhapsody in Wood” Carving Classes sponsored by the North Texas Wood Carvers Guild at Cabela’s. For more information contact Fred Copeland at 972-437-1229 or [wfredcope@aol.com](mailto:wfredcope@aol.com)

**March 6-7, 2010 Grapevine, Texas** – “Rhapsody in Wood” Show & Sale sponsored by the North Texas Wood Carvers Guild at Cabela’s. For more information contact Fred Copeland at 972-437-1229 or [wfredcope@aol.com](mailto:wfredcope@aol.com)

**April 25 - May 1:** Texas Woodcarving Guild, Kerrville, TX For more information see [www.texaswoodcarversguild.com](http://www.texaswoodcarversguild.com)

**May 1-2:** ARKANSAS. North Arkansas Woodcarvers 31st Annual Show and Sale Baxter County Fairgrounds Phone: 870-431-8070 Admission: \$Free. For more information contact [webmaster@northarkansaswoodcarvers.org](mailto:webmaster@northarkansaswoodcarvers.org) or see <http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org/annualshow.html>

**October 9-17:** Texas Woodcarving Guild, Kerrville, TX For more information see [www.texaswoodcarversguild.com](http://www.texaswoodcarversguild.com)

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