

North Texas Wood Carvers Guild

Local chapter of the National Woodcarvers Association

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December 2013

Next Meeting: December 12th!



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

December Meeting at Walter Wharton's
Home!!!

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President's Comments

WOW another year is about to close on us, where has the time gone. Here we are at Christmas again and it does not seem possible, didn't we just have our show? Anyway hope you all have a Merry Christmas and, of course, a grrreat New Year. I hope to see you at our Christmas Party on the 12th, if you have not gotten Bernice called it is not too late; we would love to have you.

What we have ahead of us now is the SHOW. Doug has things under control, as usual, but he is going to need some volunteers to help with things at the show. Let Doug know that you can help if you will. We are going to have a Purchase Award at the Silent Auction this year. Jean and I are going to select an item of our choice from the auction; we will purchase that item for \$75 which will be paid to the carver of the item. All the remaining items will remain in the auction for the Guild as before.

For your information the results on the survey of what class to have next put the wood burning class on the top of the list. I have made no contact on that yet but will try to get that accomplished before the January meeting. I would like to have at least two classes, maybe three, next year. The classes we have had to date have been outstanding as I know the ones in the future will be too as the instructors I have in mind to bring in are also outstanding.

Once again a Merry Christmas to you and yours and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Walter



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Featured Carver

Dean Walden

Wife: Millie

How long have you been carving?

After retiring in 1977, my wife Millie saw an ad in Plano where Danny (Reb) Reichert was having a carving class for two hours a week. I attended his class for a year. After getting hooked, I have taken many classes at various seminars around the country for the past seventeen years

Why do you carve?

I have belonged to many carving clubs ... five at the present time, four in Texas and one in Nebraska. This has been the greatest help in learning to carve and I continue to learn. Carving is kind of like a "get away". I can get away from the world problems, personal problems, business problems, the television and being a couch potato.

What is your favorite Carving?

I started carving flat plane, Scandinavian style for a while. That led to caricature carving which was my favorite for many years. I've tried several other types such as relief, animals, fish, but never got past the practice board in chip carving. My favorite now is bark carving. I started with wall hung pieces, and then took a class to do whimsical bark houses in the round. I like this type of carving because each one is different and you are not copying a go-by.

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

Try all types of carving, carve a little every day, and take as many classes as possible.

About Dean:

I enjoy instructing and helping new carvers. And, oh yes, I take great pleasure in vacation cruising with my wife.

Happy Birthday!

Betty Wood – Dec 7
Ruth North – Dec 9
Johnny Stevens – Dec 17
Al Smith – Dec 26
Bob Wood – Dec 27
Angela Vehige – Dec 29
Cal Stewart – Jan 5
Stu Alleman – Jan 8

Happy Anniversary!

Bob & Pat Case – Dec. 15
Bob & Betty Wood – Dec. 16
Dean & Millie Walden – Jan 1

Project Schedule

Month	Leader	Month	Leader
December 12, 2013	Christmas Party!	June 12, 2014	??
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, 2013	??

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



Dean Walden doing what he loves! CARVING!!

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July 11, 2013 Meeting Minutes



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.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Paul DeMars at 7:00PM.

Attendance

Walter Wharton, Steve Davis, Richard Abbondanzio, Jerry Neild, Ron & Bernice Reeves, Sharyn Miller, Grumpy Smith, Cole Green, David Gree, Al Smith, Tom Goetzing, Jack Sims, Dean Walden, Larry Miller, Bob McIver, David LeClair, Jennifer Laughlin, Paul DeMars, Doug Sandling, Stan Kirtley, David Borg

New Business

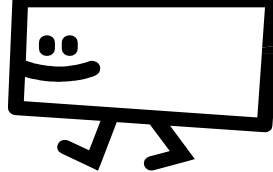
- ✓ Marty Dolphens class went GREAT! It was a huge success and we look forward to having more classes!
- ✓ Upcoming Classes – as we start to plan more classes, Walter wanted to bring a few to the table for the club to pick their favorites. Trying to see what people want! The options were
 - Wanda Reichart (non-power) for her 3 day class teaching a fish
 - David Borg (non-power) for his 2 or 3 day class of a dragon in an egg
 - Ron Davis for his 2 day movable Puppet Donkey
 - Carolyn Halbrook – Chip Carving
 - Patty Rucker – Wood Burning

Old Business

- ✓ Christmas Party! The December meeting will be held at Walter Wharton's home (8107 Greenhollow Ln, in Dallas) Spouses are invited! Please let Walter know if you are coming so that they can have a head count! It is a pot luck so if you don't mind please bring a dish to share! We will also have a gift exchange, if you would like to participate you must bring a gift to give!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Hi my name is



anyone needing nametags for the show \$8.00 each.
We can have them for the Jan. meeting.

Carving Opportunity!

I was contacted this month by Fran who wants a Texas Themed carving!
If you are interested please give her a call at 972-870-5014

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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
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 Handcock at (918)899-1946 or email woodcarver001@yahoo.com
July13-19	Creede, Co – Creede Woodcarvers Rendezvous in Creede Colorodo. 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 Braunsfels, 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

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