

North Texas Wood Carvers Guild

Local chapter of the National Woodcarvers Association

September 2013

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Next Meeting: September 12, 2013

**Please join us for a Myriad of Doorprizes
donated by WoodCraft and WoodWorld!**



The Winner of the Caption Contest is Mike Chambers with: "The twins first exhibited stubbornness at an early age"

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President's Comments

I cannot believe it is September already, it seems as if it was yesterday that I became president. I want to thank all of you for your support; I think we are moving along nicely. We have picked up new members and there seems to be renewed enthusiasm in the club. I appreciate your support of the class we are bringing on line. My intent is to try to offer the classes we typically have at The Texas Woodcarvers Guild seminars in order that those of you that do not attend can experience the same classes and level of instruction right here at home. Needless to say you will have to continue to support the program in order for it to grow. Most of the instructors are going to want a full class in order to make expenses.

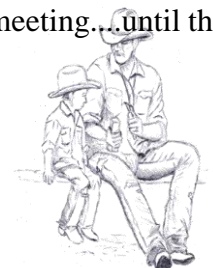
Speaking of classes, we still need one more student for the Marty Dolphins class in November. We have 11 and Marty is not driving down from Nebraska unless he has 12. Help me on this folks; surely there is one person out there that wants to take the class. Marty has said he is not concerned about the level of experience; he is willing to work with all levels. I know from experience what a great instructor he is and know he can help anyone. Mallet carving is just like any of the carving you do now, except you use a little bigger tool and have a mallet to move it in the wood rather than your muscle. OK may be a little more to it, but not something to be concerned, stretch yourself a bit.

Again on the subject of classes, I would like some input from you as to what you would like for a class, I have had a suggestion of someone to teach a power class, this would be good if everyone has a dust collector, I will be checking with you on this at our September meeting, meanwhile talk to me, what would you like?

I may be early but because both Jennifer and I will be gone for the October meeting I want to give you a heads up on the NTWG Christmas Party. It will be held again this year at Jean's and my house on our regular scheduled meeting night, in this case December 8th at 7PM. As always, it is "pot luck" and we will have a gift exchange, you have to bring a gift to get a gift. For our new members, the gifts are small, some give one of their carvings, otherwise inexpensive gifts. More details will be forthcoming in the newsletter and at the November meeting. You will be asked to provide food or plates, flatware, cups, and etc. This is a family affair and spouses or significant others are invited. We will ask for an RSVP simply so we can have a count for seating and other arrangements.

Looking forward to seeing you at our up-coming meeting...until then carve on!

Walt Wharton



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Featured Carver Jennifer Laughlin

Husband: Jay and dog Sneaky
Vice President and Newsletter Editor



How long have you been carving?

I started carving when I was 12 and fell in love with it!!!

Why do you carve?

It is a unique hobby, but I mainly carve for the company. There are so many interesting people with interesting stories! There is so much knowledge and experiences that I can learn from in the carving community

Why did you begin carving?

My grandfather inspired me to carve and taught me how! He influenced my life and his passion for wood lives on in me even though he can no longer carve. Now I have not only my grandfather to thank for my carving, but I have many "grandfathers" as my carving family continues to grow!

What is your favorite thing to carve?

I love to carve relief. I took quite a few classes from Jack Stamper that influenced my style greatly! I love the options that you can get from pierced relief and the different looks it can produce!

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

Don't give up and don't let yourself be intimidated. It is easy to say "I'll never be that good" and if you don't push yourself to try you won't be that good. Learn from as many different people and styles that you can!



Happy Birthday

Susan Chavez – Sept 12

Ed Moore – Sept 14

Jay Laughlin – Sept 15

Happy Anniversary

Walter & Jean Wharton – Aug 24



Jennifer with
"The Hat Collection"

Project Schedule

Month	Leader	Month	Leader
September 12, 2013	David Robertson	March 13, 2013	??
October 10, 2013	Tommy Schutz	April 10, 2013	??
November 14, 2013	Steve Davis	May 8, 2013	??
December 12, 2013	Christmas Party!	June 12, 2013	??
January 9, 2013	??	July 10, 2013	??
February 13, 2013	??	August 8, 2013	??

September's Project is led by: David Robertson – Carving an angel! A different way to carve an angel!



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Ray North Leading the Aug Meeting

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Please continue to spread the word and invite new guests to the meetings. Remember every person attending gets a ticket for the door prizes, each member who brings a guest will get an extra ticket!!!



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 and Patsy and Doug Wilson 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 nights 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, Doug Sandling, or Patsy and Doug Wilson and they will cut it out for you.

July 11, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Walter Wharton at 7:00PM.

Attendance: Bob McIver, Walter Wharton, Dean Walden, Mike & Beverly Chambers, Paul DeMars, Tommy Schutz, Richard Abbondanzio, Ron & Bernice Reeves, Grumpy Smith, Cole Green, Bob Case, David LeClair, Tom Goetzinger, Sally Miller, Jerry Neild, Ray & Ruth North, Robert Schutz, David Robertson, Al Smith, Steve Davis and Jennifer Laughlin.

New Business

- Next Class will be Mallet Carving with Marty Dolphens if we can get enough people signed up. We must have 12 people signed up for the class on November 8-10. Marty will have extra tools for people to use as well as some for sale if you decide you want to continue with mallet carving. Cost is \$150 for three days plus \$34-40 for the blank (ONE OPEN SPOT!!!) Check Marty out at www.martydolphenscarving.com
- Cedar Hill state park has asked us to come out on October 26th to demonstrate carving, we are also able to show off and sale if we want to. If interested please let Walter know (wj8107gre@att.net)
- Walter proposed that the guild purchase some tables to donate to WoodWorld in appreciation of them allowing us to meet at their location free of charge
 - Al Smith motioned that the guild purchase the tables
 - Paul DeMars seconded the motion
- Walter has also researched T-shirts for the guild; cost would be \$8.00 a piece with XXL being \$1.50 extra and XXXL \$2 extra. There is also a \$15 set up fee that would be split amongst those who order a shirt



Grumpy Smith, Cole Green, and Robert Schutz at the August Meeting!

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Upcoming Events

Sept ?	Burleson, TX – North Texas Woodcarvers Ralley at the Russel Farm Art Center. For more information contact Steve Schooler at ssorss@hotmail.com
Sept 8-13	War Eagle, AK – War Eagle Week 10-14, then Rogers Ark Show Sept 15-16 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
Oct 2-3	Amarillo, TX – Artistry in Wood Show. Classes on 26 th , Show on 27-28. For more information go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GSWoodcarvers/ , or contact Ginger Webster at (806)352-2417 or email gingerwebster@ang.com
Oct 6-13	New Braunfels, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Fall Extravaganza. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 or see www.texaswoodcarvers.com Classes 1-5, show 6-7
Oct 20-24	Branson, MO – Woodcarving Rendezvous II. For more information visit their website www.woodcarvingrendezvous.com/seminarii.htm
Oct 19-20	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
Oct28-Nov2	Big Springs, Mustang Draw show and classes: Classes Oct.28-31 Show Nov 1-2 Contact: Jim Fryar at (806)399-4510
Nov 9-15	Glen Rose, TX – Show 9-10, Classes 11-15. For more information contact Tara Jensen at 254-897-3081 or email tara@glenrosetexas.net
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
Apr21-27	New Braunfels, TX – Texas Woodcarving Guild Spring Classes. For more information contact Bill Bang at (830)367-3304 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
Jun?	Tulsa, OK – Wonderful World of Wood. Union 8 th Grade Center Commons. 6501 S. Garnett. 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

If anyone knows of any changes to the above shows or would like to add shows please contact Jennifer Laughlin at (361)894-5744

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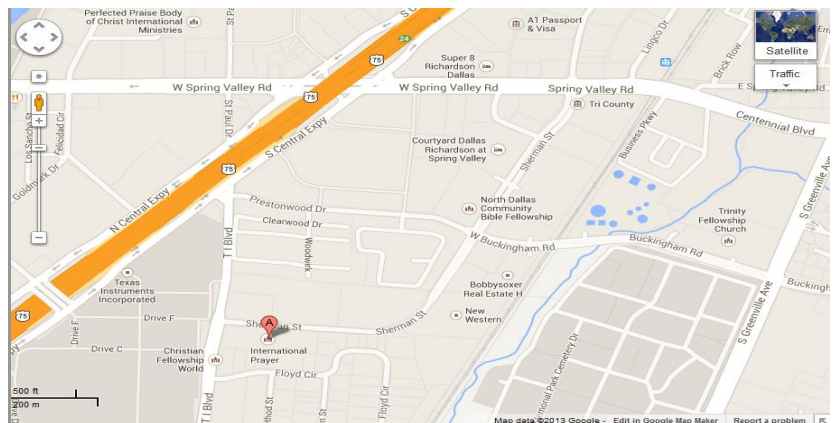
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Have Something to Say?



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