

May 14, 2012

Volume 4, Issue 5

# Newsletter



## Carving an Angel with Joe Perkins

This month's project will be carving an Angel with Joe Perkins. He will provide the cut-out and show you how to carve it. See Joe for cost of materials. Bring your regular knife and gouges. Joe is a great carver and this should be a fun project.



## Texas Woodcarver's Guild Spring Meeting

The Texas Wood Carvers Guild held their Spring event this April. This was the first meeting in New Braunfels. The change of location was a success. At our last event in Kerrville, in the Fall of 2011, we had a total of 90 carvers in attendance. This spring in New Braunfels we had 200 carvers participate.

At the TWG whittling contest for the first time a female carver won first place open: Pat Moore. Other winners were Dave Stetson at second place and Jon Nelson at

third place. Fred Carter of HAWC won first place in Intermediate group.

Several of our members attended the week of classes and many were at the Thursday night banquet. On Wednesday evening our group got together for a barbecue hosted by Carolyn and Preston Smith. It was a relaxing evening with good fellowship and food.

These are the new TWG Officers for 2013:

President—Dan Gillen

Vice President—Joe Gallio

Secretary—Linda Smith

Treasurer—Michael Griffin

New or re-elected Board members are:

Butch Wilkins

Patty Rucker

Ray North

Check out the guild's website: <http://texaswoodcarversguild.com> / for upcoming details on their Fall event.

## President's Message

First I would like to say Thanks to Pat Felder for taking care of the meeting while I was away.

Fred Carter's class on bark carving was a big hit enjoyed by all. Thanks Fred.

Would like to say Hello to our visitor Dennis Mulvaney. We hope you visit again soon, and you are always welcome back. Welcome back to Ruth Jones, who become a new member last month.

We had a very nice Show & Tell, and as before, all of your names will go into the pot for our next drawing in June. Also, this Saturday I would like to see everyone who was at the Texas Wood Carver's Guild in New Braunfels bring in something they worked on, finished or unfinished.

Speaking of New Braunfels the Houston Club was well represented. Of course there was yours truly and wife Maro, but also

JoAn Brueggeman, Lorraine Lewis, Shelley Key, Helen Havemann, Evelyn Goertz, and Jeff Teter. Joe and Judy Perkins, Tom and Linda Warren and Glenn and Dianah Miller were also there. Carolyn and Preston Smith had everyone over one night for a cook-out, and we all would like to say Thanks. Also there were Lin Swalley, Terry Kirschke, Brenda Lowman, Woody Hiebert. And Fred Carter showed up and won First Place in the Intermediate carving contest. Butch Wilken showed up and was elected..... railroaded into becoming one of the Guild's board members. Zane Bumguardner was there working in his Antelope class all week. Dallas and Donna were there running the store, and Dee and Carolyn Halbbrook were there for Carolyn's chip carving classes. John & Marie Curcio showed up for a couple of days along with Johns's sister Paula and brother-in-law

Andy. Mike Moeskau taught a knife-making class and also took some classes. One of our lost members Harvey Beauchemin drove down from Austin to see us.

The new facilities at New Braunfels are first class. This being said we learned that the Guild's Fall Show will be a little different this year only. There will be 5 days of classes and a ONE day show.

The HAWC Fall show may be a little different from what we expected, as one of the instructors has recently taken ill. We are waiting to see what happens, and will report any changes as we have more information.

**Last reminder: the letters for our new club sign are due this Saturday.**

See everyone next meeting.

Ronnie

Note: See me if you left your carving at Show & Tell.

## Other News

The painting class in July and August with artist A. J. Schexnayder requires a \$20 deposit to hold your spot. There will be a minimum of 8 students and a maximum of 12. The class is \$65 per day for 2 days for a total of \$130. Please sign up as soon as possible. See Carolyn Smith.

The letters for the HAWC sign are due this Saturday. Please do

not put a finish on them or paint them. Sign the side of the letter.

We will have a silent auction at the June meeting. Please bring in items for the auction this Saturday. Also, please start carving items for the charity table at the December Craft Show in Tomball. Please bring them to Pat Felder.

If you still need to pay your club

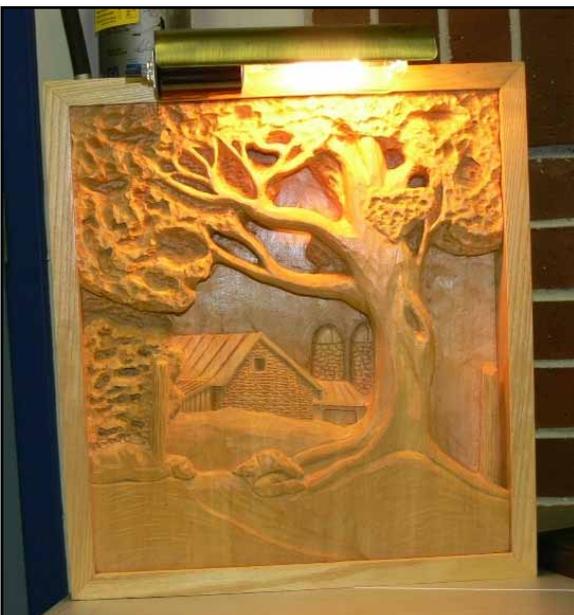
dues, please see Bill Lewis, our treasurer. We need your support.

Our Fall Show is scheduled for September 13th to 15th at Resurrection MCC. We will have Thursday and Friday classes. Dallas and Donna Deege will not be able to come this year. If there is someone who can do tool sharpening, please let Carolyn Smith know.

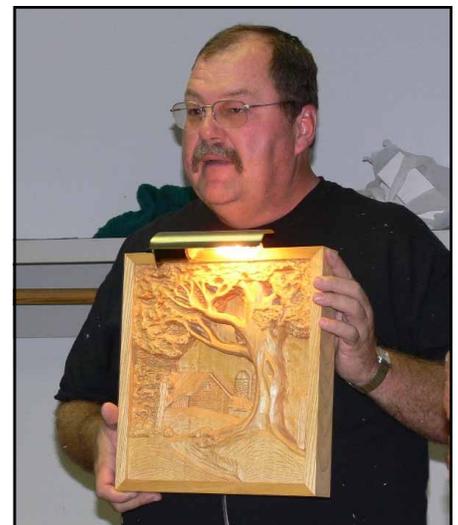
# Show and Tell

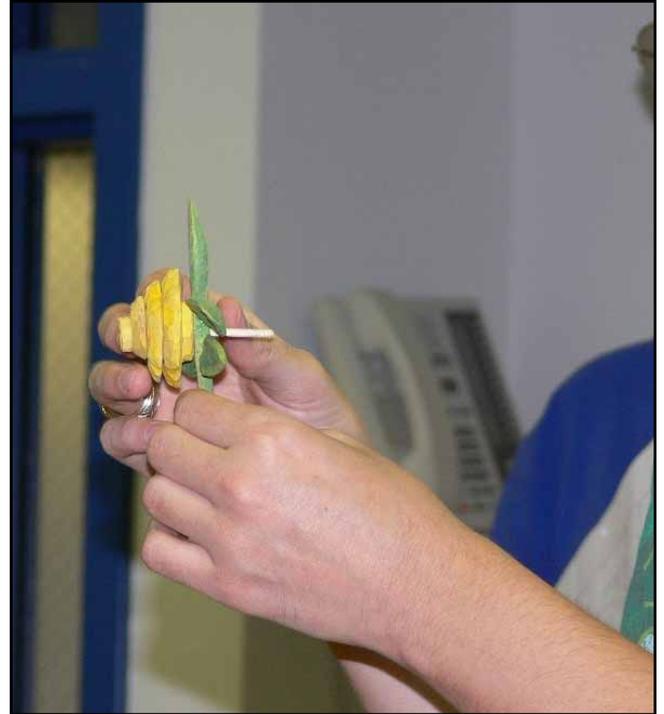


Berny Alvarez did the two violin boxes with the musical score from patterns in a Scroll saw magazine. He did the crosses scaled down from some larger ones that were 2”.



Keenan Schultz carved this deep relief in basswood. He used spray on poly finish. It is patterned in the style of David Bennett. It took 50 hours of hand and power carving.





Zane Bumguardner carved this yellow rose in 9 pieces that he put together.

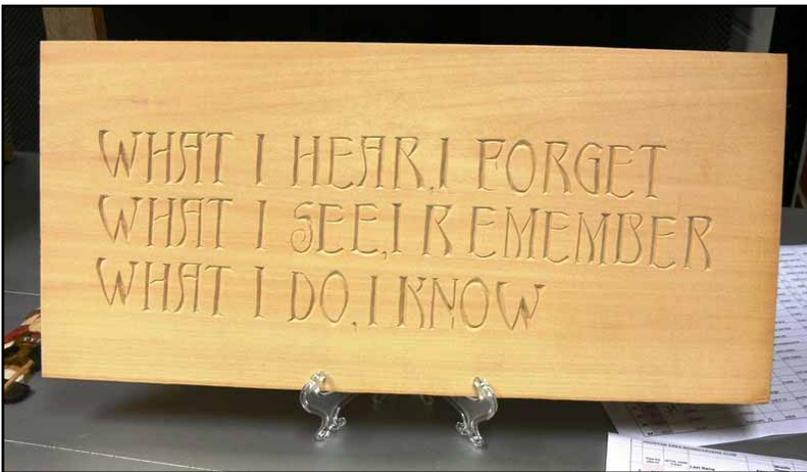


Charles Glass carved this cottonwood bark piece. It's his first bark carving. He learned that the wood is very fragile. When 2 large pieces broke off, he carved them and then glued them back on later.





Carolyn Smith carved the German Lederhosen Santa ornament. She relief carved the plate without any assistance. The idea came from the front cover of a carving magazine. She modified it to a Fall scene (instead of Spring).



JoAn Brueggeman carved this for lettering practice:

“What I hear I forget

What I see I remember

What I do I know”

This is what she keeps saying to us about carving.



**Next Meeting This Saturday, May 19, 2012**



**See us on the Web:**  
**[houstonareawoodcarvers.com](http://houstonareawoodcarvers.com)**

The Houston Area Woodcarvers meet from 9am-2pm on the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Bayland Park Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St., Houston, TX 77074.