



Newsletter

Houston Area Woodcarvers



AUGUST CLASSES

JOE PERKINS will teach how to carve a paint bottle opener this month. See photo at left. This is a good project for all levels of carvers.

FRED CHILDERS will teach fan carving this Friday. Fan carving is a folk art that we hope to pass along to future carvers. If you indicated to

Fred that you were taking the class, he preordered your wood, so please be sure to go ahead and take the class. If you did not notify Fred you wanted to take the class, see Fred anyway; he may have space for you.

Please see the instructors for the cost of materials.



HAWC FALL SHOW UPDATE

CARVERS/ COMPETITORS/ SELLORS

The deadline for registration is approaching fast. It is August 24. Don't delay ! Send me your checks and registration forms for the competition, the classes, and whether you want a lunch.

We certainly have plenty of tables still available. Ronnie has promised an outstanding whitling competition.

RAFFLE

I am still in need of someone to devote their time to the Raffle Table. Remember that event is a major funding source for the club. We have some

good 'stuff' to raffle. I know it will take most of your time, but it is worth it for the club.

Jim Berry

BRING COOKIES

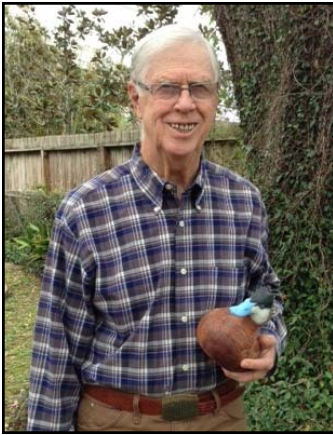
We are going to have cookies for sale during the show Saturday. I need several volunteers to bring cookies. They

must be prepackaged in single serving plastic bags ready to go. Put three cookies per bag. You don't need to sign up ahead of time. Just bring your cookies to the show. We will sell a bag of 3 cookies for a dollar donation. The money will go to show expenses.

Shelley Key



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Time is near, time for the HAWC 42nd annual Fall Show and Sale. The date is Saturday, September 28 at the Bellaire Municipal Building on South Rice off Bellaire Blvd. Carving classes will be held Thursday and Friday (September

26 & 27) at the same location. HAWC members, as well as non-members, are encouraged to start organizing your carvings for your show tables and competition. Entry forms for tables and completion should be sent to Jim Berry, Show Chairman, at his address listed on the Show information.

Our show is an opportunity to join fellow carvers in a time of fun and fellowship, and show off your carvings. Further, support this year's carving instructors, Donna Menke and Dallas Deege, by signing up for

the classes. Don't be shy, especially new carvers. Make your class and show table reservation. Thanks to Leroy Miller and Fred Carter for teaching the twelve-point star and the cottonwood bark condo at the July meeting. At the August meeting, Joe Perkins will teach a class on carving a bottle opener and Fred Childers will teach fan bird carving.

In way of reminders, HAWC has the room for our monthly meeting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The end of the business meeting doesn't mark the end of our carving time.

It's time to bring your Christmas ornaments and other carvings for the Club's show table. Also, there's still time to pay your dues prior to the Show. And thanks to our July meeting guest. The Hall family, our guest at the beginners table, was the last to leave the facility.

Regarding the beginners table, if you have extra tools—knives, gouges, v-tools, veiners, etc-- consider donating the tools to the HAWC beginners table.

Buddy Ives

NOTES FROM JULY'S MEETING

VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

We had several visitors and new members at our meeting in July. Ashley Hall was here with her parents Greg and Christi. Kellen Hill, Randall's grandson, also visited. Woody Hebert from the Central Texas Wood-

carvers in Austin paid us a visit. Tom Grawl from Louisville, Kentucky visited and became a new member. Gail Plunkett, Lance Rath's friend, visited and also joined the club.

BEGINNER'S TABLE

Dave Kissinger sug-

gested we bring in tools and supplies we are not using to donate to the beginner's table. Pete could use items like gloves, thumb guards, knives, wood, etc.

EGGS & ORNAMENTS DUE FRIDAY

Carved eggs for the auc-

tion at the Fall Show are due this Friday at the club meeting. The proceeds will be used for show expenses. Also, please bring Christmas Ornaments you have carved or woodburned that you would like to donate for our charity sale at the Fall Show.

Show and Tell



Fred Carter used Eastern cottonwood bark for this large carving. It is thin, the type that grows in Texas. He used Northern cottonwood for the two smaller houses. The one with the large tree next to it was carved in Rick Jensen's class a few years ago.



Ronnie Boston carved the Indian war shield and made the frame for it. The shields had trade cloths hung over the outside. He woodburned the carved feathers he hung from the shield.

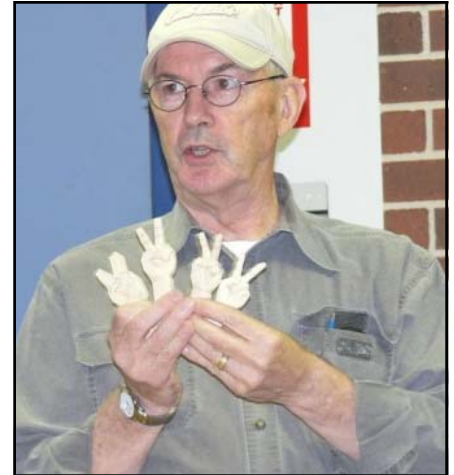


Fred Stratton carved this Santa from a piece of hard "petrified" wood that Lorraine gave him. He used a wood stain for the painting.





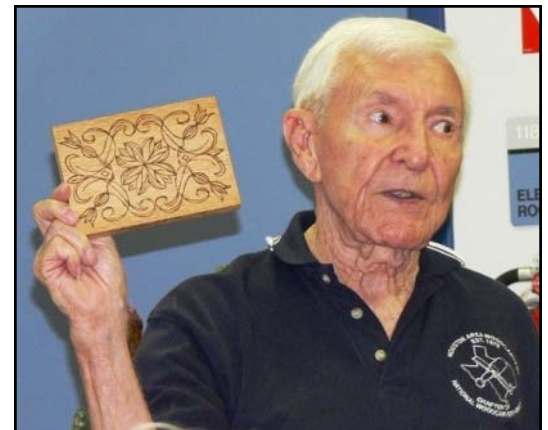
Dallas Deege showed his carved chains. He showed his carved hands from a hand study he is doing in his classes now.



JoAn Brueggeman showed 6 eggs and 3 ornaments she carved. The wolf is one of her early carvings from a Ben Hunt pattern. The butterfly (not shown) was what she taught at summer camp this year.



Leroy Miller showed his first effort at burning hardwood with instructor Carolyn Smith. It is a box cover. He said "thanks to Carolyn or it would be firewood."





Mike Crosson did these 2 carvings under instruction of professional carver Dimitrios Klitsos. He is a European style carver that uses chisels. He carved 12 hours a day in the class. The relief carvings are leaves and grapes. The instructor carved examples and he carved the rest. Mike also showed us his clock design that he plans to carve with acanthus leaves in relief.



Kenan Schultz showed us his bear he carved in Chinese Tallow found wood. This is his fifth bear and will go to his mother-in-law. He found that when using the chain saw, it is very important to have control.



Berny Alvarez sent these photos to Lorraine Lewis recently. He is pictured in his backyard where he has several very large carvings. As you see, Berny has been doing lots of carving.



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.



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