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Newsletter

Houston Area Woodcarvers

There are two classes this Saturday the 16th:

Leather Craft with Fred Stratton



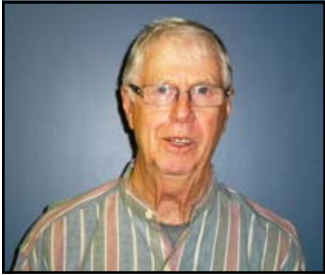
Fred Stratton will teach leather craft this month. It is an opportunity to try out working with leather without having to buy the tools. This class is not available every year, so sign up now if you are interested. The class supplies will be \$12.

Easter Chick Pendant with Preston Smith

Easter is on its way. Preston Smith will teach how to carve an Easter Chick Pendant. It's a great project for beginners. The supplies will cost \$5.00.



President's Message



Buddy Ives, President

The new HAWC officers have been active since the January meeting, working on show plans and the monthly class activities.

Pat Felder reports there are class instructor openings for May, July, August, and October. At this date, Carolyn Smith has agreed to teach a wood burning class in May and November, and Preston Smith is scheduled to teach a carving class in November. In addition to Carolyn's class in May, we are looking for someone to step forward to teach a carving class in May. Further, Preston will teach a class in February—an Easter chick. Fred Stratton also is set to teach leather carving in February.

Joe Perkins has agreed to teach a class this year. Please contact Pat at the February meeting if you are willing to teach a class this year.

A small, but active contingent of Houston Area Wood Carvers were on hand for the Coastal Bend Wood Carvers Show held Saturday and Sunday, February 2 and 3 at Aransas Pass. Fred Carter clearly enjoyed the Show winning three blue ribbons, two red ribbons with his five entries. Plus, the judges awarded his First Responders carving of fireman and American flag with Best of Show in the Open Division.

While Fred was picking up his ribbons, discussions were held with potential instructors and judges for the HAWC show in September. Nothing is firm at this point. An expanded discussion will be part of the business meeting at the February meeting.

Monthly meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month at the Bayland Park Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St, Houston 77074.

New Club Officers Elected

Buddy Ives is our new President. Thanks Buddy for volunteering your service. Pat Felder will continue as Vice-President, Bill Lewis will remain our Treasurer, and Helen Havemann will continue as secretary/newsletter editor. Jim Berry volunteered as Show Chairman. (Officers Pat and Jim are not pictured.)

Lin Swalley will remain Librarian and Shelley Key will continue taking care of refreshments. We thank Jeff Teter for his great photography and hope he will continue this year.



Thanks to all who volunteered their service this past year; this includes carving instructors and those who help set up and sweep up after meetings. We extend a special thanks to Ronnie Boston, Past President, and Carolyn and Preston Smith, past Show Chairs, for your outstanding work during your years of service.

2013 Class Schedule

JAN. Silent Auction	Open Carving	♦ JULY <u>OPEN</u>	<u>NEED VOLUNTEER</u>
FEB. Fred Stratton	Leather Craft	♦ AUG. Joe Perkins	Little Paint Bottle Opener
FEB. Preston Smith	Easter Chick	♦	
MAR. John Curcio	Carving in the Round	♦ SEPT. HAWC Show & Sale	September 26, 27 & 28
APR. Mike Moeskau	Knife Making	♦ OCT. Ronnie Boston	Something Western
MAY Carolyn Smith	Woodburning - Sleeping Mouse	♦ NOV. Preston Smith	To be determined
		♦ NOV. Carolyn Smith	Woodburning
JUNE Helen Havemann	Fish Pin	♦ DEC. Christmas Party & Carving Exchange	

TO SIGN UP TO TEACH: see Pat Felder, Buddy Ives, Carolyn Smith or Helen Havemann.

We need a volunteer for July. A wood carving class is needed for April and for May.

We would like to have a second class in March, June, July, August, and October.

Show and Tell

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Ronnie Boston carved this old buzzard on a branch. The base, tombstone, tree trunk, tree branch, bird body and bird head were each carved and then assembled. He burned in the buzzard's eyes. The greenery is from model train supplies.



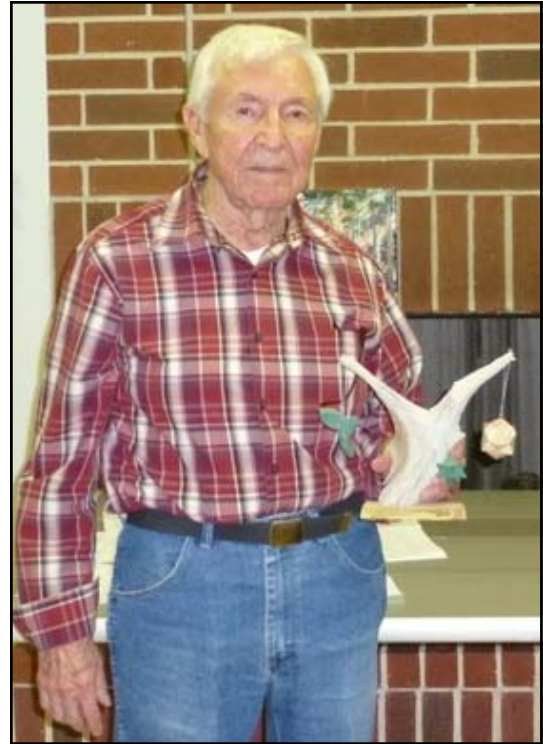
JoAn Brueggeman took a winter vacation to carve with teacher Janet Cordell. JoAn carved this doll in the style of the popular 1060's Heidi doll. The arms and legs move in separate motion. JoAn is not sure she wants to make the doll's clothes.



Mike Moeskau showed us several fun and easy projects he carved from scrap pieces of cottonwood bark.



Leroy Miller carved the hummingbird; he used a toothpick for the bill. He also carved the small star and the larger 12 point star.



Charles Glass painted this in his garage. It is titled "Winter Rapture 2012." His painting was a 19 step process. To see it you have to look at it from far away.

Carving is fun! Come visit us and try it out.



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.

We are on the Web!
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