

the Cutting Edge

Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order by our President, Clarence Born at 7:00 PM, Thursday, July 9, 2015.

Treasurer's report showed \$2204.79 in our account.

Blank of the Month

August: Dan Gillen

September: Shelly and Helen

October: Dottie and Johnny Dunlap

November: Cruz Rendon

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News

Eldridge will be teaching his carving classes for children in Coupland school district again this year. He will need \$200 for wood and \$300 for equipment. We voted to pay for the wood if the school district cannot pay in time for the start of classes. He can reimburse us later if the district does pay him. He teaches class every day of the school year from 8:00 until 8:45 AM.

Clarence has 50+ relief carvings, as well as 60+ carved dragons and other creatures, on display at the Round Rock Public Library for the month of July. Stop by and enjoy if you are in the area.

Lu Casaubon has volunteered to take on the emailing of the newsletter. Thank you so much Lu!!!

Eldridge told us that there was a new Civic center building being built in Taylor. It could be a location for future shows and classes for the Texas Woodcarvers Guild.

Door Prizes

- ◆ Clarence won a large knife
- ◆ Diann, Betty, Eldridge, Woody, Johnny, and Jim R. each won a shallow gouge
- ◆ Zac won a star blank
- ◆ Russell won an angel blank.

Clarence carved several pair of cowboy boot earrings for his neighbor's English houseguest (page 3).



He also carved four hearts from aspen, 2 with bird figures, 1 with a butterfly and 1 with a cross. He added a turquoise inlay to the figures by mixing paint, Elmer's glue and granular turquoise; pressing this into the cut-out figure, then after drying about 20 minutes, rubbing off any excess.

Show and Tell

Eldridge carved a walking stick from Hoyt's class. It was carved from aspen, with turquoise inlay. He also brought a carving of a cowboy (page 1) on a bucking bronco and a relief carving of a barn scene (page 3).



Betty carved a bluegill fish with habitat, done in Wanda's class.

Diann had carved two of the Scandinavian horses from Lu's blank of the month.



We did not have a 'Blank of the Month' this month.



Our next meeting will be at 7:00 PM, Thursday, August 13, 2015, at Hancock Center

