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Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

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NOTICE

There will be no CTWA Meeting in September

**Next Meeting Thursday October 11, 2007 7:00 PM
Austin Woodcraft Store**



Santa's Workshop Project

Club President, Clarence Born, opened our August meeting Thursday evening the 9th. He welcomed our visitor, Scott Hammock, from Round Rock, who stayed after the meeting for some carving time.

Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance in our club account of \$1,365.63, adding that some costs had been incurred as preparation of our Santa's Workshop display reached completion.

Clarence announced that the newly acquired club patches are available to members at a cost of \$2.00.

Two other announcements included Steve Prescott's "Expressions" class to be held October 12, 13 and 14 at the Optimist Club location, and our club Christmas Party to be held December 7, also at the Optimist Club. More details will be available regarding food for the evening, and a table is planned



Clarence Born

for show and tell where club members' work can be admired during the evening. The Christmas Party will include a brief business meeting and will replace the monthly meeting for December

Clarence expressed appreciation to those who sign up each month to set up for our meeting. He further noted that those signing up are also responsible for cleaning up after the meeting (usually with the help of others present).

There continues to be an interest in carving eagle head canes for our veterans, and definitely a need for more canes. Diann Small will bring 10 or so cane kits back from Fredericksburg in September so this project can continue to be supported.

Bill Buckler, who provided the flower blank of the month a few months ago, would like the daisy go-by to be returned. If you find it among your carvings, please return it to Bill

Final items to be included in the Santa's Workshop display to be set up at the meeting in Fredericksburg in September were accepted. Many people contributed time and talent to complete this project which will be a very interesting display for our club. We received a preview of the "Workshop" at the conclusion of our meeting... and it is wonderful!!!

Tony Novak brought a number of Chip Chat publications, some from the 80's and 90's, bundled together in groups of 5, to be sold for \$2.00 a bundle. Money from the sale of these magazines will go into our club fund. Some wonderful carving ideas and articles await those purchasing the magazines. Thanks so much, Tony!

Show and tell was special once more. Items to be included in the Santa's Workshop were plentiful. There was a talented little elf playing his cello, carved by Gail Lynn, and two apple cider jugs, an elf holding a little toy barn, a toy truck, a train caboose, and a toy soldier carved by JoAnne Cage. Cruz Rendon had carved a little elf holding a plate of sandwiches, and also a toy truck.

One tempting apple, but with a worm peeking out of it, was carved by Johnny Dunlap, completing our items for this project.

Johnny Dunlap shared his caricature boxing ring which he will take to the show in Fredericksburg

come September. The boxers were actively boxing within the ring, two spectators were outside the ropes, and a lazy ole bull dog lounged beneath the platform. Quite a piece of work, Johnny!

Clarence Born had carved his version of a hound dog, painted brown and black. He had also completed his eagle head cane which is soon to be given to a deserving veteran.

Jim Roby brought two caricatures he had carved while in Creede. One was a caricature cowboy with shotgun in hand, and the other was a mask of an old man with flowing beard and a pipe in his mouth. Jim was especially interested in the instructor's technique for putting wrinkles in the forehead of the mask. Both carvings were unpainted, and carved with the Roby touch.

Dottie Dunlap brought a wood burned group of frontiersmen conversing in a group. As always, her attention to detail, and skill with the wood burning tool, was quite evident.

Bill Buckler brought along a dozen (no, not eggs) carved golf ball faces. He takes these golf balls along with him when he is on the road, knife handy, and passes away time coming up with new expressions. A pretty good way to stay calm and productive.



Jim Roby

Gail Lynn brought the blank of the month for carving knife sheaths. She also brought three sample "critters" as go-bys. Several carvers began working on this project at the conclusion of the meeting.

August CTWA Meeting Notes
by Shirley Newman





Bill Buckler's Golf Ball carvings

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

Annual membership is \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for young people under 18 years of age. During the year, new adult members dues are prorated at \$1.00 per month.

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