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Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

CTWA Officers 2008

President	
Clarence Born.....	255-4373
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Gail Lynn.....	835-6643
Secretary	
Shirley Newman	259-2325
Treasurer	
Jim Roby.....	258-5317
Blank Master	
Diann Small	259-0784
Librarian/Tape Master	
Clarence Born.....	255-4373
Raffle Master	
Tom Sarff	282-4100
Sharpening Master	
Jake Heugel.....	251-2379
Photographer	
Sue Sweeney	454-0520
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Dan Gillen.....	258-5931

Advisory Board

Clarence Born.....	'07
Bill Buckler.....	'06
Marvin Joseph	'05
Buddy Streetman	'03-'04

Next membership meeting
January 10, 7:00 PM
Austin Woodcrafters Store

Notice

This will be the last "free" mailing of the hardcopy newsletter. If you wish to continue to receive hardcopy newsletters mailed to your home address there will be an additional \$12.00 per year charge for this service. This in addition to the standard \$12.00 club membership fee. All club members who provide an e-mail address will continue to receive the e-mail newsletter.

Please pay Jim Roby your \$12.00 club dues and IF you want hardcopy newsletters include an additional \$12.00



Shirley Newman's Old World Santa



President's Gavel passes from Clarence Born to Joe Hill

CTWA Christmas Party Highlights by Shirley Newman

Delicious food was in abundance, and the Walnut Creek Optimist Clubhouse was filled to capacity with club members and guests for our annual CTWA Christmas Party Friday evening, December 7. Festive Christmas red and green colors could be seen on shirts, blouses, and hats worn by the guests despite the 80 degrees we had experienced all day. Christmas decorations were sprinkled throughout the room, and tables awaited each and every one as they arrived.

A big "Thank You" goes to Dottie Dunlap (and her elves) who had arrived early Friday afternoon, and worked their magic, so all was in readiness upon our arrival. Great job all of you!

No one had to be asked twice to help themselves to the wonderful ham, turkey, vegetables, salads, and desserts as conversations flowed.

CTWA outgoing president, Clarence Born, presented the gavel to Joe Hill, 2008 President, who proceeded to conduct a short business meeting following our meal.

The following CTWA officers were approved and installed for the coming year 2008.

President	Joe Hill
Vice President	Gail Lynn
Secretary	Shirley Newman
Treasurer	Jim Roby
Blank Master	Diann Small
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Following a discussion introduced by Joe Hill, Jim Roby made a motion that club members wishing to receive a hard copy of the monthly newsletter be charged an extra \$12.00 in addition to the \$12.00 annual dues, to cover the cost of printing and mailing. The motion

was seconded by Sue Sweeney, and the motion passed unanimously. The 2008 dues may be paid to Jim Roby.

Clarence Born made a motion that John Woods, a member of our club who is a Vietnam veteran who was wounded, and is experiencing continuing health problems due to his injuries, be given a Life Membership in our Central Texas Woodcarvers Association. The motion was seconded by Dwight Vance, and carried unanimously.

An eagle head carved cane was available for club members to sign, and this will be presented to John Woods.

Diann Small reported that Walter Wharton has asked that all canes being carved for veterans be given to him by the middle of January for distribution to veterans at Brooke Army Hospital.

Dwight Vance announced that Dallas Deege will be available for a carving class January 19 and 20, 2008. The fee will be \$80.00. There are still seats available. If interested, please contact Dwight at 250-9677 to get on the list. A \$20.00 deposit will be required.

Many carvings and wood burned items were on our Show and Tell table. A couple of cowpokes had been carved by Jim Roby, and Jake Heugel brought an animal bust he had carved. Richard Evans brought several carvings, some of which had been carved from avocado wood. Johanna Morin brought a unique piece of work she had carved and woodburned, entitled "Phoenix."

Rendon Cruz brought a pretty good sized Longhorn he had carved, and also a lovely carousel horse. Diann Small shared her shallow relief of two eagles, her woodburned skull with feathers which won 3rd place in Fredericksburg in September, and the lovely flowers with a hummingbird hovering over a bloom which took 2nd place in Fredericksburg.

Johnny Dunlap had carved realistic moose which he mounted on a base, and also a unicorn. Tom Sarff had carved a Santa for his wife, and also a caricature hound dog. Clarence Born brought two relief carvings he had completed and painted.

Our Club's "Santa's Workshop" project was on display, and will be in the Round Rock Public Library in January. We all think it was a winner!!!

Entertainment for the evening was provided by our in-house poet, Johnny Dunlap. The poem, titled "The Woodcarvers Christmas Party", reminded us of highlights throughout the year of accomplishments... or "not"... occurring in the lives of our members. Most entertaining, Johnny!



Close up of portion of Workshop



Gail Lynn's Santa with toys, musical elf, and carved items from other members.



Santa's workshop - Club project



Wine Press Scene



Elf Musicians

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

Annual membership is \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for young people under 18 years of age. This membership includes a monthly e-mail newsletter. An additional \$12.00 per year is collected if you desire a hardcopy of the monthly newsletter mailed to you. During the year, new adult members dues are prorated at \$1.00 per month.

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