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Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

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## Next Meeting Thursday February 8, 7:00 PM at the Austin Woodcraft Store

The Central Texas Woodcarvers Association is participating in Operation Canes in association with the Texas Woodcarver's Guild and other woodcarvers in Texas. Operation Canes provides hand carved canes to veterans disabled while serving in our armed forces. The canes have a patriotic theme with a hand carved eagle head handle and a Texas flag on the shaft just below the head of the cane. Below is a photo of the first batch of canes completed by CTWA club members.



On December 13, 2006 Diann Small and CTWA Vice President Clarence Born presented one of the CTWA produced canes to retired SGT Armando Ybarra. Amando is the lone survivor of the October 23, 1983 terrorist bombing of the marine barracks in Beirut, Lebanon. See photo below..



Bill Buckler's blank of the month for the January meeting.



A picture of marines carrying Armando from the wreckage of the barracks was on the cover of Time magazine. Here are a couple URLs where you can read more details about Armando's experience.

<http://www.purpleheartaustin.org/ybarra.htm>

[http://www.news8austin.com/content/top\\_stories/default.asp?ArID=8729](http://www.news8austin.com/content/top_stories/default.asp?ArID=8729)

Thanks to Diann Small for coordinating this service project for our club and thanks to the club members who carved the canes. The CTWA club purchases the kits for club members willing to carve these canes.1

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## January 2007 Club Meeting Notes

Incoming President, Clarence Born, opened our first meeting of 2007 on Thursday evening, January 11th.

Clarence welcomed visitor, Jeff Bock, a carver from New Braunfels who will be joining our group.

In Jim Roby's absence, Clarence reported a balance of \$1,664.80 in our club account as of January 9, 2007, with several additional dues checks to be added to that amount, as well as reimbursement to be made to Dan Gillen for newsletter costs.

With the arrival of 2007, several carving classes are being offered beginning with Steve Prescott's class January 12, 13 and 14. Debbie Edwards will be teaching a class February 16, 17 and 18, and Gary Batte will be with us March 17 and 18.

This will bring us to April 23 and a week of woodcarving class opportunities in Fredericksburg. If you have never been to Fredericksburg during this special week you have missed a wonderful experience with varied types of woodcarving offered, excellent instructors, and a time to mix and mingle with carvers from far and near.

A special thanks is due Bill Buckler who built boxes to contain our name tags worn at our monthly Thursday night meetings.

Sue Sweeney was present with her trusty camera to take pictures of members who are not shown in our photo roster. And Gail Lynn is busy preparing a roster of CTWA members with contact information which will be available by email from her when completed.

As this year began, a number of our club members were already traveling to other woodcarving events, and year end Holiday activities had kept our carvers busy with things other than carving, so show and tell time was rather slim. However, Gail Lynn brought her eagle head cane nicely carved for a deserving veteran, and Clarence Born displayed his busy little elves, toys etc. which will be included in our

club's "Santa's Workshop" project in September in Fredericksburg.

Following the raffle, carvers were given the opportunity to carve a lovely flower blank provided by Bill Buckler.

Remember, Carvers, that we meet each week on Wednesday morning from 9:00 to noon at Woodcraft, for an informal carving time, and also on Thursday evenings. So come, share your skills and carving tips, and enjoy time with a wonderful group of people.

Our next monthly meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 8, at Woodcraft. Gail Lynn, Johnny and Dottie Dunlap will be in charge of set-up/clean-up for the meeting.

See you then!

January CTWA Meeting Notes  
by Shirley Newman

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## Equipment for sale

Wiley Bell has the following items for sale. Please contact him at 258- 6399 if you are interested.

- Set of 4 Sears heavy duty casters (\$25)
- *All items below are installed on stands with rollers. The stands are included in the prices.*
- Craftsman heavy duty router, with bit set. (\$100)
- 16" Sears scroll saw, w/foot pedal and extra blades (\$100)
- 10: Ryobi AP-10 Planer (\$150)
- 10" Sears contractor table saw, like new For-ester blade (\$119 original cost), extra strength braces w/leveling for saw table top. Price for the table saw package \$485.

January 12 - 14 eight club members (Marvin Joseph, Gail Lynn, Robert Snider, Clarence Campbell, Clarence Born, Dwight Vance, Shelton Ashley, and Dan Gillen) enjoyed a carving class taught by Steve Prescott. Steve had large selection of roughouts of cowboy and sports figure caricatures. Class members selected one or more of their choice and received instruction on completing the carving. You should see some of the results in a future club meeting show-n-tell session. We agreed to finish a bit early on Sunday to allow Steve to drive back home ahead of the pending ice storm that hit Texas Sunday - Tuesday.



Steve Prescott in action



Steve Prescott class front Marvin Joseph, Dan Gillen Gail Lynn, Robert Snider, rear Steve, Shelton Ashley, Dwight Vance, Clarence Campbell, Clarence Born missed the photo session



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## 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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