

Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order by our president, Eldridge Tidwell, at 7:00 PM, Thursday, February 9, 2017. There were 9 members present. Several of the regular attendees were attending the woodcarving show in Aransas Pass.

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News

Clarence is looking for help carving dollhouse furniture for the display at the Round Rock library. They need to be in the 2 to 5 inch scale. The pieces should be sturdy and must not be a choking or swallowing hazard. If you have questions, feel free to contact him. See some of the below examples.







The Cutting Edge 1

Blank of the Month

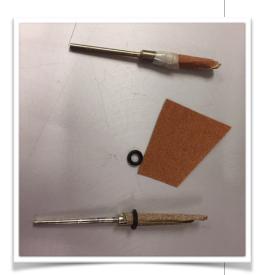
There was no Blank of the Month. Please consider volunteering to cover a month. Eldridge gave us an update on his Copeland Middle School. The class of 10 students filled and the students are progressing nicely. They have carved thumbs and apples. They are working on unicorns and donkeys next.

The Cleborne Woodcarving Show is going on from March 31 to April 7. There are carving classes and seminars that are open for registration. There is information on lodging at the texaswoodcarversguild.com.

It's that time of the year. Please make sure to pay your dues. The cost is \$12 per year.



Fred demonstrated several of his advances in sanding technology. He has experimented with applying cloth-backed sandpaper to cardboard disks. The disks are then attached to the mandrills to use in rotary carving tools.



We also discussed changing the raffle prizes to donated items. Currently, the club buys the prizes.

Show and Tell

Clarence carved another relief of a flower with deeply undercut





petals.

Eldridge carved 2 live-edge boards with a coyote and a Christmas scene He has also been busy carving the Blank-of-the-Month Santa relief on a Christmas tree. Finally, he wood burned a photo of his dad into an oval blank.









Next meeting will be Thursday, March 9, 2016, 7:00 PM, at the Hancock Center in Austin.



The Cutting Edge 3



Fred carved a female bust from an aspen log.







The Cutting Edge 4