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Next meeting
Thursday, March 12
Austin Woodcraft Store
7:00 PM
Doors open at 6:30



Jake Heugel



Jerry Marshall

Monthly Meeting Notes February 12, 2009

Gail Lynn, President, called to order our Monthly Meeting, February 12, 2009. There were no visitors or new members, however, the room was filled with members.

Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance in our club account of \$1,453.10 plus several dues which had just been paid. He noted that at present we have 40 paid up club members.

Several favorable comments were made regarding the class led by Debbie Edwards with 10 participants. Those in attendance were most enthusiastic about the carving experience. An additional word of appreciation was expressed to Diann Small who had offered her garage area for the class.

There being no further new or old business, a raffle was held.

The show and tell table held several different carvings. Jake Heugel had carved a very realistic cougar poised on a rock. He actually looked like he had spotted his prey.

Jake also brought a carving of two little bears, one boosting the other up the side of a tree so it could dip its paw in honey.

Tom Sarff had an array of carvings including a Santa face, an eagle head, little mice with stick pins to be attached to hats or etc., and a Santa ornament.

Diann Small brought the fox she had carved in Debbe Edwards recent class. Diann had yet to finish the rocks for the base or painted the carving so she considered it a work in progress. This was a very impressive carving and we hope to see it again once it is complete, as well as others carved in the January class.

Diann also brought a painted resin casting of a red fox bust. Debbe painted this bust as a demonstration to teach her painting method to the class. She then donated the completed piece to our club. We can all get the benefit of using it as a go-by for future painted carvings.

Jerry Marshall had carved a lovely and most realistic little sparrow perched on a branch. He noted that he had used wire for the little legs. This was a beautiful carving with much detail work evident.

Clarence Born had carved 3 Coatimundi from different woods. He got the pattern from the blank of the month in January provided by Gail Lynn, and added his own twists to each carving.

Gail Lynn had carved one Coatimundi from still a different wood that she had worked on as a go-by last month. The Coatimundi is found in South America and is from the Raccoon family.

Shirley Newman had also carved the Coatimundi from the January blank, mounting it on a base that said "I am a Coatimundi" which will be helpful as this was a new "critter" to most of us.

Clarence Born brought a relief carving of purple Iris, with an undercut of the leaves which made them stand out. Another beautiful relief carving, Clarence.

Last, but not least, Johnny Dunlap had carved a caricature bust of a rather prominent individual who has been on the news lately. Do you recognize him? Johnny had also carved a small replica of a steer head such as you might find in a sun parched field out west.

Tom Sarff brought a number of roughouts for a cowboy face, complete with a big western hat topped with a Santa cap, to be carved by those present at the conclusion of the meeting.

Now, already, we are looking ahead to our March meeting on Thursday night, the 12th. Mark this date on your calendars, and I hope to see you then.

Shirley Newman
Secretary

Note from Gail

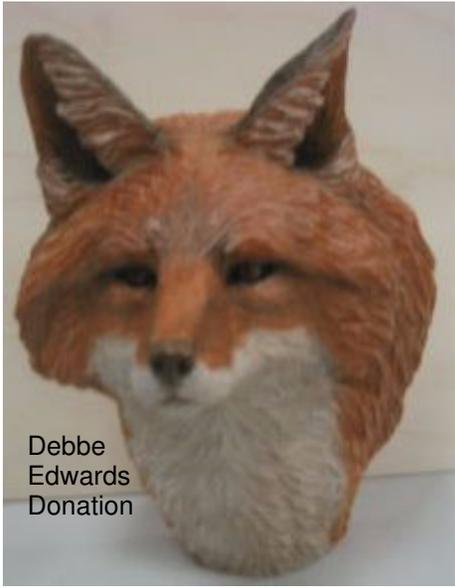
We had a real nice turn out at the meeting. I really do enjoy seeing all my friends each month. Many of us meet each week, some in Austin, and some in Georgetown for a few hours of just carving. If you have a question about when and where, please feel free to contact one of us about that.

I hope more of you will come to the March meeting, and bring your carving tools with you. We will have some time to sit and carve on the blank of the month, and you can take advantage of the advice of the blank maker while she/he is there.

I'm not working on any new plans. Mostly because I have not heard any desire for change from the membership. I guess we all have enough CHANGE for now. But if you have ideas for carving plans in the future, please let me know. Be prepared, I may put you on the action committee, but that is what it's all about. We all need to be involved.

Happy carving my friends
Your President
Gail Lynn





Debbe
Edwards
Donation



Diann Small



Tom Sarff



Clarence Born



Tom Sarff's example go-by for February
blank of the month



Tom



Johnny Dunlap

Coatimundi Invasion!



Gail
Lynn



Clarence Born



Shirley
Newman

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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