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Richard Evans

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

Monthly Meeting Notes  
January 8, 2009

Our incoming President, Gail Lynn, called to order our first monthly meeting of 2009, Thursday, January 8th. There were no visitors or new members. Members attending the meeting were urged to sign in as a manner of both noting attendance, and updating personal address information.

Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance in our Club Account of \$1,171.60. He also reported that the cost to the club of our Christmas Party in December was \$237.18.

Diann Small noted that the carving class to be led by Debbie Edwards February 6, 7, and 8, will be held in her garage.

Jean Johnson has done a commendable job of coordinating registration for Debbie Edwards' class, and reported that those attending favored carving the fox.

Jim Roby will continue to accept payment of club dues for 2009. Please remember to bring your dues current for this new year.



Sue Sweeney Whimsical House

There being no further business, a raffle was held, followed by show and tell.

Sue Sweeney brought three of her cottonwood bark houses, two of which had been work in progress and were finished with that Sue Sweeney touch. She also carved a bark house in the round while in class in Kerrville this past September. This was carved in two halves which were then glued together, and at times proved to be both unique and challenging.

Newt LeBlanc had carved a realistic American Buffalo from a blank he won in a previous monthly club meeting raffle. He painted the buffalo with a mixture of black and bunt umber.



Newt LeBlanc

Eldridge Tidwell brought one of 15 crosses done on a scroll saw which spelled Amazing Grace, and were given as Christmas gifts. He burned the outer edges with a torch for a very attractive finish.

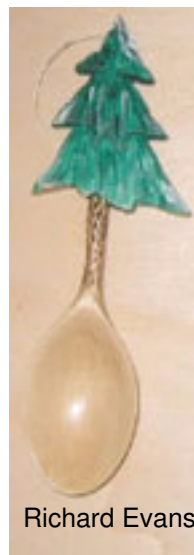


Eldridge Tidwell

Clarence Born had been busy carving a miniature train complete with locomotive, a number of cars, and a caboose. He added this to our Santa's Workshop exhibit which had been on display in the Round Rock Public Library throughout the Christmas season. Clarence also brought a little polar bear wearing a Santa hat which he will provide for our April blank of the month carving fun.

Jim Roby had carved a caricature witch holding tight to her broom, wearing pantaloons and slippers... well, the photo shows the results but you'll have to see the actual carving to fully appreciate this artistry!

Richard Evans brought several carvings. Two ornaments featured miniature Christmas trees on top and spoon on bottom. He also had three carvings of a hand holding a cross. In addition he had a combination humming bird/donkey. It was a humming bird when viewed from one end but a donkey appeared when you turned the carving 180 degrees. Very interesting.

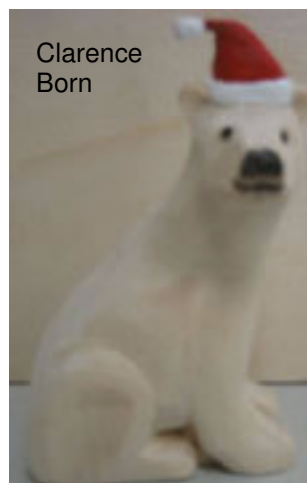


Richard Evans

Gail Lynn brought blanks of a "Coatimundi" (a critter not found in Texas, or at least I don't think it is) for carvers to carve after our meeting. Tom Sarff will bring the blank of the month in February.

See you at the February meeting.

Shirley Newman  
Secretary



Clarence Born



Richard Evans

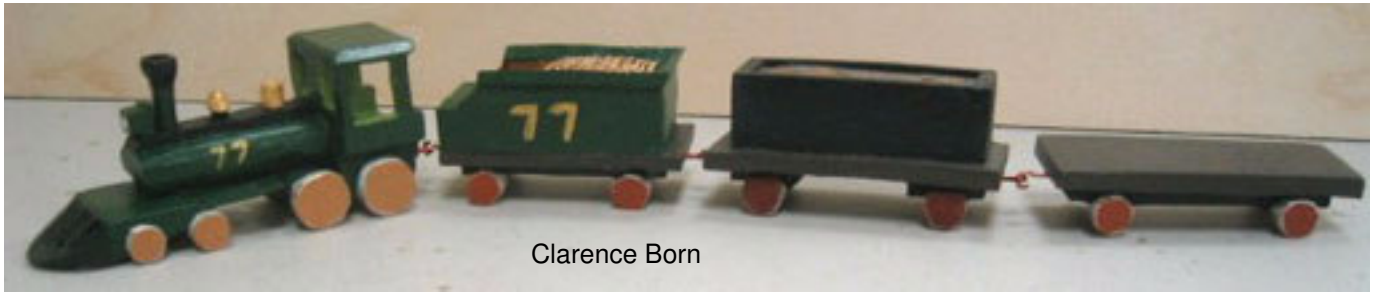


**Editors note:**

If you are not a member of the Texas Woodcarvers Guild you did not receive the December newsletter announcing the spring event in Kerrville will be detailed in their next newsletter. If you have not attended one of these events you have missed one the great experiences for carvers in the central Texas area.

I highly recommend that you make an effort to participate in the event in Kerrville April 26 to May 2. Contact an officer or member if you want additional information. There are classes from great instructors throughout the US. If you want to expand your horizons in woodcarving this is a great opportunity. If you can't attend the whole week try to make a visit for one day or and afternoon. You can see what it is all about and meet some great carvers. You can also buy more tools. Who doesn't need more tools!





Clarence Born



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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. 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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