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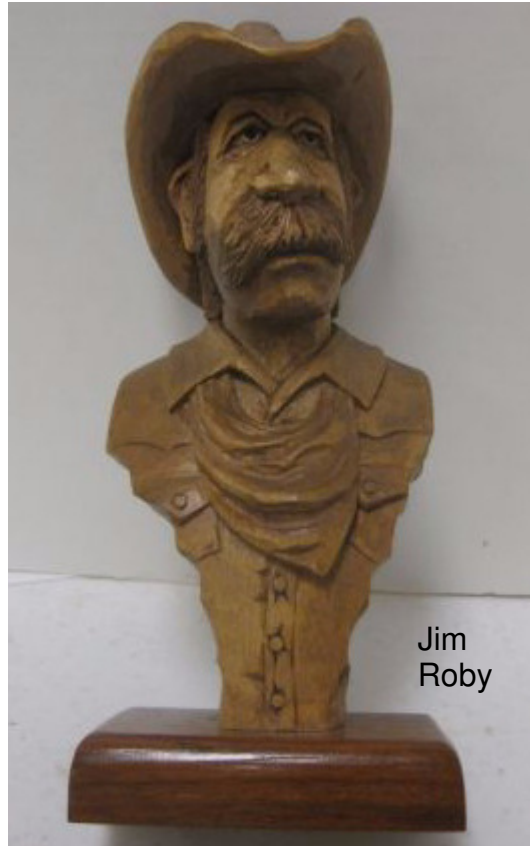
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Pay your 2011 Club Dues

**Only 21 members have paid their dues.
Please pay your 2011 dues to Jim Roby.**

January Meeting Notes

Clarence Born, President, opened the CTWA Monthly Meeting Thursday evening, January 13, 2011 at the Woodcraft Store in Austin. The room was filled with club members, including our new member, 11 year old Julius Van Tassell. Julius was accompanied by his mother, Gabi.

Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance in our club account of \$1,899.10.

Clarence reported that our Santa's Workshop display was, once again, a huge success where it had been on display in the Round Rock Library during the month of December. He also noted that our Christmas Party at Pok-E-Jo's in Austin was well attended and enjoyed by club members and their spouses.

Clarence announced that officers for our club for 2011 will remain the same as last year, with those who served in 2010 accepting the responsibilities for another year.

Some upcoming woodcarving opportunities include the Rio Grande Valley Show in Pharr, Texas January 21 and 22, Rally on the Rio Classes in Pharr January 24 to 29, the Coastal Bend Show and classes in Aransas Pass February 5 - 9, and of course, the Texas Woodcarvers Guild Spring Roundup in Kerrville, Texas with registration April 17, and classes April 18 - 22. The TWG Fall event will be October 2-7, with the Show following October 8 and 9.

Diann Small noted that Walter Wharton is interested in leading our club in a class featuring the giraffe wood carving, and Rick Jenson is interested in leading our group in another 4-day class.

Clarence Born gave special recognition and appreciation to Dan Gillen for the excellent work he does in preparing our monthly newsletter, and also maintaining our club website. He presented Dan with a \$50 gift certificate as an expression of our appreciation.

Jim Roby reminded club members that he has business cards we can distribute to interested carvers noting our carving times and location.

We were saddened to learn of the passing of two faithful and talented woodcarvers, Don Gahring, and Bill Buckler. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of these two very special men, and woodcarving friends.

Our club made a \$75 donation to Christopher House Hospice, 4107 Spicewood Springs Rd, Austin, Tx. in memory of Bill Buckler

Following the raffle, attention was turned to the show and tell table.

Dan Gillen brought his hollowed out whimsical bark house from a class he took in Kerrville. He had also carved two small dogs, each wearing a santa hat in keeping with the season. Also attracting much attention were the two elves he had carved from patterns in a past Woodcarving Illustrated magazine.

Jim Roby had stained a cowboy bust he had previously carved, and also woodburned and painted the fox he carved from a Debbe Edwards blank.

Johnny Dunlap brought the wild boar's head, a work in progress. Very realistic!

Dwight Vance had picked up a small piece of wood, and had carved a small caricature clown's head. Such talent.

Clarence Campbell had stained a carving he had completed of a rabbit. while in Glen Rose.

Jim Mischel brought two small snowmen with hats on, a little dog he had carved from a piece of "trash" wood, and a dolphin from walnut. He has a knack for trying new woods with impressive results.

Harvey Beauchemin had carved a scarecrow complete with crows roosting on it's arms, and a little cat close by, a standing mouse, a Christmas mouse, and an egg with a pattern inside.

Clarence Born had carved some more of his tiny objects, this time some mini mice to be part of the Santa's Workshop display next year. More mice are to come as he builds a little chorus of carolers. He had also carved two more of his lovely floral reliefs which were painted, and as always, he had undercut the leaves and petals to add depth to the carvings.

Fred McLeroy had completed two shallow relief carvings of women's faces with a hint of color added.

Diann Small had brought blanks for carving a coffee spoon.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 10th, at the Woodcraft store. See you then.

Shirley Newman
Secretary

**2011 Blank of the Month
Volunteers**

Feb	Gail Lynn
Mar	Cruz Rendon
Apr	Jim Roby
May	Johnny Dunlap
Jun	Tom Sarff
Jul	Clarence Born
Aug	_____
Sep	Jake Heugel
Oct	_____
Nov	_____

We still need BOM volunteers for August, October, and November. Please contact Diann Small and volunteer



Harvey
Beauchemin



Clarence
Campbell



Clarence Born



Clarence Born



Jim Mischel



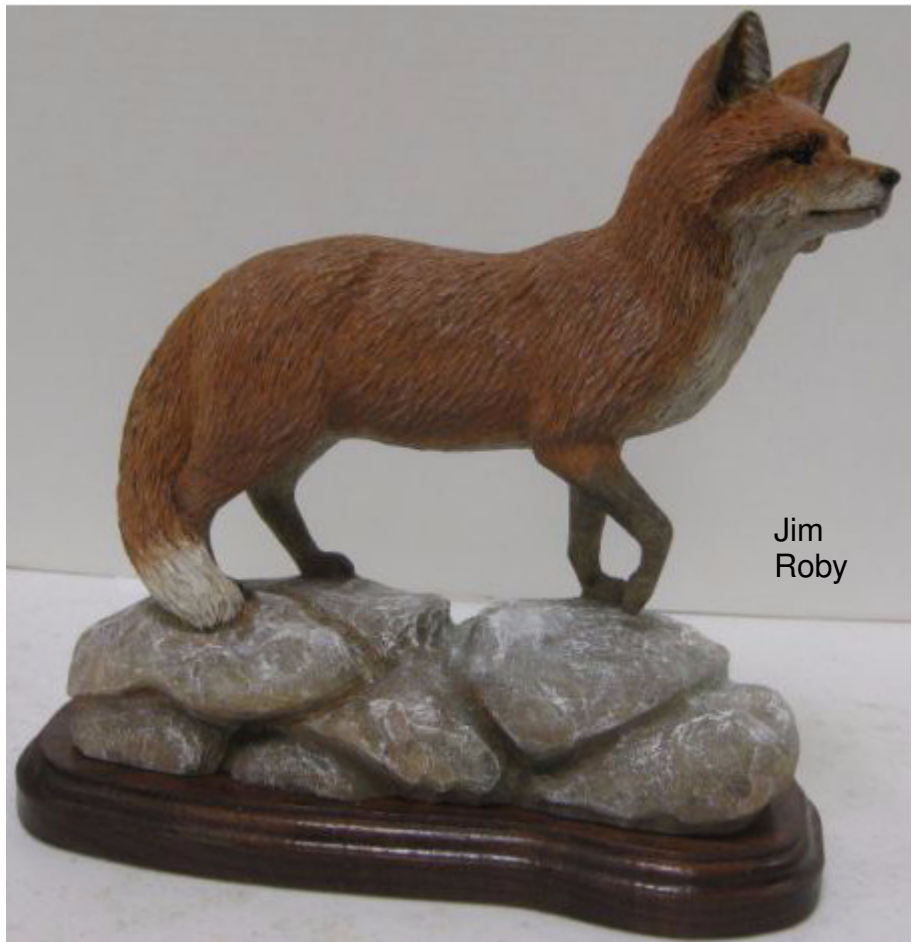
Dan Gillen



Clarence Born



Dan
Gillen



Jim
Roby



Harvey
Beauchemin



Harvey
Beauchemin





Jim Mischel



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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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