

Bill Buckler reminded club members of the two upcoming carving classes. The first one will be with Dallas Deege April 1 and 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at a cost of \$70 plus the roughout. The second class will be with Steve Prescott May 19, 20 and 21 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at a cost of \$100.00 Both carving classes will be held at the Optimist Club, 505 Ferguson Drive, in Austin.

Also just around the corner is the Texas Woodcarvers Guild Spring Round Up April 24 - 30 at the Gillespie County Fair Grounds in Fredericksburg. There's still time to sign up for a class or two during a very fun week.

Gail Lynn brought the dust collector tray her husband made for her, in response to several inquiries from other club members. It is a very useful piece of equipment for power carvers, and if interested, Gail will be happy to share more details with you.

Bill Buckler announced the possibility of a new web site being set up for our club. More details on this at our next meeting.

The show and tell table was not filled to overflowing, but the carvings sure were special. Jo Cage had carved a very realistic cricket from a solid piece of wood, for a man who is writing a children's book about a cricket. A very challenging project, Jo, and it came out great.



Johanne Morin carved a standing bear with his head in a tree trunk, hunting honey, complete with a bee or two protesting the intrusion. This was done in Walter Wharton's recent class

Gail Lynn chose to carve a tiger's head in Walter Wharton's class, and shared the finished piece with us.



Jim Roby brought the Dall sheep ram head carved from a Wharton roughout. He noted that the creases in the ram's horn denote it's age.



He brought the Otter he had carved, altering the direction of the Otter's head to a more natural position.

And last but not least were the tiny earrings made from a scrimshaw kit.



Our visitor, Bob Payne, shared a very interesting cane he had made from Mesquite with a Stanley hand saw shaped handle for easy gripping. He mentioned that the handle allowed the cane to be easily hung over a church pew or chair back, and he also inserted a place for a phone number to be shown should the cane be lost. These canes are in big demand among family and friends, and it was certainly evident why.



Jake Heugel was wearing a most unusual tie which he made (out of wood) from a kit, with an animal wood burned on each segment of the tie.

He had also done some wood burning on a leather belt buckle.



After the raffle, folks had an opportunity to carve the Longhorn blank provide by Jake Heugel this month.

Joe Gallio, Gail Lynn, and Bill Buckler signed up to get our meeting place in order for our April 11 meeting. Hope to see you then.

Shirley Newman

Dallas Deege Class

April 1 & 2 Club members Jim Roby, John Thompson, Clarence Born, Shelton Ashley, Jo Cage, Dwight Vance, Robert Snider, and Dan Gillen enjoyed a caricature carving class taught by Dallas Deege. There were several interesting rough outs to choose from and Dallas is a great teacher. Thanks to Dwight and Jaleen Vance for hosting Dallas and his helper Paul McLeod while they were in town.

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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