Next meeting
Thursday, June 14 at 7:00 PM
at the Austin Woodcraft Store

Harvey Beauchemin

Monthly Meeting Notes

Clarence Born, CTWA President, called the monthly meeting of our club to order Thursday evening, May 10, 2012, at the Woodcraft Store in Austin. He welcomed Charlie Boren, a master wood carver, who has recently moved from Burleson, Texas, to Buckner Villas in Austin. Charlie shared some information about The Russell Farm
Art Center in Burleson, and also circulated a portfolio of some of his wood carvings.

Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance in our club account of $2,677.22.

Clarence announced the need for the club officers to be replaced for the new, upcoming calendar year. Many of the officers have served for a number of years in their present capacities. Anyone interested in serving is urged to contact Clarence Born.

Congratulations were extended to Dan Gillen and Joe Gallio who will serve as President and Vice President respectively of the Texas Woodcarvers Guild following the fall meeting in New Braunfels. Dan gave an overview of classes and attendance at the recent woodcarving extravaganza week in New Braunfels.

Small carved hearts for the Threads of Love project presented by Julius Van Tassell and his mother Gabi, will be ongoing. These hearts will be placed in memory boxes for parents of premature babies, and will continued to be collected and shared with this organization.

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A word of appreciation was expressed for the gift of some carving tools by Juana Younce.

Show and Tell followed the business portion of the meeting.

Gail Lynn brought a carved heart done by her yoga instructor, to be included in the Threads of Love project.

Dan Gillen brought three of the clinging crosses which were from an earlier blank of the month. He had carved one from cherry wood, one from walnut, and one from basswood, each with a tiny cross in the center. Very nicely carved and finished.

Harvey Beauchemin brought a handsome bust of an Australian outback cowboy, complete with a tiny feather in his hat. A beautiful natural finish to the piece was typical of Harvey's work.

Jim Roby brought a speckled trout carved in Wanda Reichert's class in New Braunfels. This was Jim's first realistic fish carving, and he was most interested in her technique of painting the details in with a brush. Great job, Jim.

Jim Roby also brought a Bighorn Ram carved from a Debbie Reynolds roughout. He had carved one several years ago and it resides in his granddaughter's home, so he carved another one just for himself.

Dottie Dunlap woodburned and painted a Santa on a plate under the watchful eye of Patti Rucker. She was especially interested in Patti's painting technique. This was a beautifully finished piece.

Johnny Dunlap had chip carved a plate to be given as a fund raiser for a cancer patient. It was designed to include lettering stating "give us this day our daily bread". This was a new and challenging experience for Johnny with an impressive finished piece of work.

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Clarence Born will have his carvings on display throughout the month of June at the Round Rock Library. He will include some relief carvings, the toothpick dipper from the blank of the month in April, and a shadow box containing a number of heart earrings and heart necklaces, as well as a couple of miniature dogs. Some of these items were a part of our show and tell. Club members are encouraged to stop by and visit his display in the coming weeks.

Following the raffle, club members were given an opportunity to carve faces on pencils,
provided by Diann Small for the evening's blank of the month.

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Shirley Newman
Secretary
Hearts by Gail Lynn’s yoga instructor

Johnny Dunlap
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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