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Next Meeting Thursday November 9, 7:00 PM at the Austin Woodcraft Store

Jake Heugel provides the blank of the month for this meeting

President, Bill Buckler, opened the meeting. Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$1,550.59 in our club account prior to checks being written for the canes for veterans kits, and cost of our monthly newsletter.

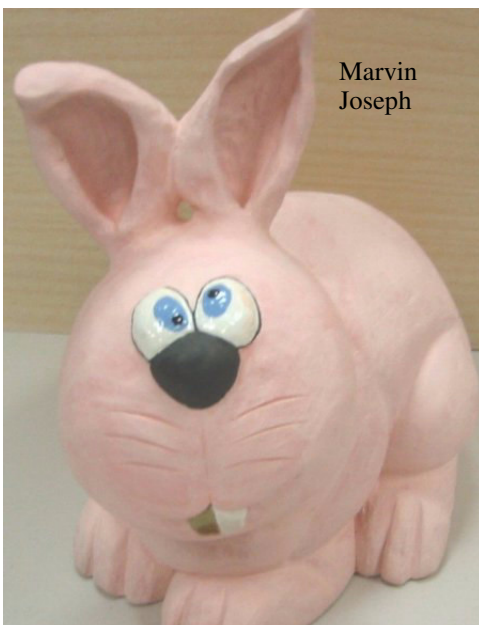
Bill confirmed that the carving class with Steve Prescott would be held January 12, 13 and 14 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Ten carvers signed up for the class with two alternates. The probable location of the class will be the Optimist Club.

A number of our carvers met with Walter Wharton one evening in Fredericksburg, along with several other carvers attending the TWG Fall Extravaganza in September, to work on cane kits for veterans. The need is great for these canes, and they have been warmly and sometimes emotionally received by our wounded veterans.

Our Club picnic is scheduled for either March or April of next year in Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. The date will be confirmed, and announced at our next meeting.

Johanne Morin took the sculpting a figure class with Patty Rucker while in Fredericksburg, and will give a sculpey clay demonstration for anyone interested at our November meeting. Several in our group have taken this class and found it really fun.

Shelton Ashley suggested that we have demonstrations during our Thursday night monthly meetings from time to time on subjects such as painting tips, knife sharpening, wood burning, etc. This would be in addition to carving our blank of the month. Shelton and Diann Small volunteered to chair this committee and look into future presentations.

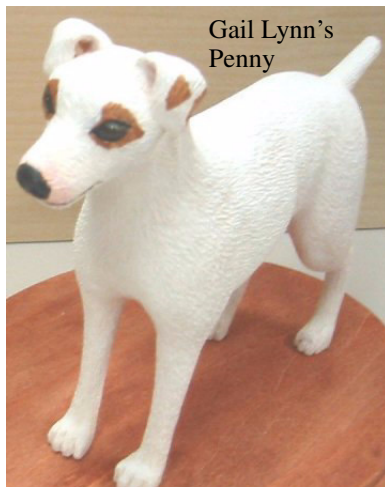


Jim Roby reported that a second table was needed in Fredericksburg to display all the ribbon winning carvings of our club members after the judging in Fredericksburg in September. Many compliments were received by those admiring the carvings, and our club tables.

Diann Small brought to our attention that the two woodcarving events in Fredericksburg in 2007 will be held in the Show Barn next to where we have been meeting. Positives in this change of carving location include the fact that the Peddler Show will be held in the show barn two weeks before we arrive which will ensure it's cleanliness. Additionally, most of the area will be paved, and carvers will also appreciate better lighting conditions. So, begin planning to attend in April and September next year for some wonderful woodcarving opportunities.

An impressive array of woodcarvings and wood burnings, many adorned with well deserved ribbons awarded at the Fredericksburg competitions in September, made up our show and tell for the evening.

Gail Lynn brought a very realistic carving of her Jack Russell dog, Penny. She also had completed the goat which was a blank of the month some time back, which she had painted and mounted. And, for those with very good eyesight, she had carved a very small peach pit monkey "hear no evil". Guess she still has two more pits to go!



Gail Lynn's Penny



Marvin Joseph

Newt LeBlanc revealed a hidden talent for wood burning, displaying one wood burned cowboy, and another smaller wood burned monkey.

Jake Heugel carved, painted, and mounted an impressive buffalo head which won a blue ribbon at the Fredericksburg show.

Marvin Joseph brought his caricature cowboy which won a blue ribbon. He had also carved a pink (yep, pink) rabbit.

Shelton Ashley's deep relief of Mary Magdalene washing the feet of Jesus, titled "Forgiven", won a blue ribbon. Shelton's caricature, "Winning by a Hare", won a blue ribbon. He

carved the giraffe which had been an earlier blank of the month and added to the race a smaller caricature hare.

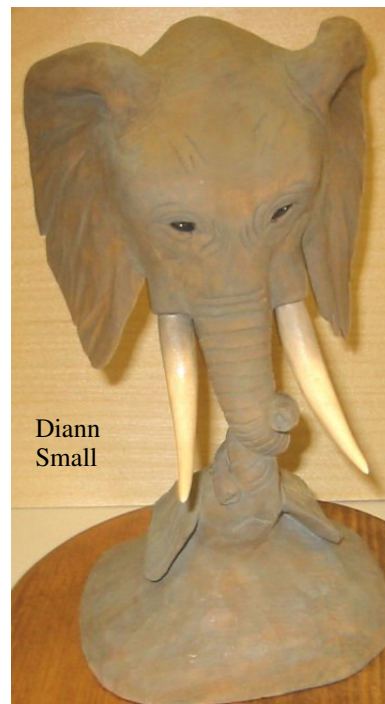
"Grassland Security" was the title of the giraffe family Shelton carved which also won a blue ribbon. This included the standing father, mother and baby giraffes mounted as a family unit. Shelton also carved a small turtle lounging on a log which brought a green ribbon. He appropriately called this "Lazy Days". Shelton's carving of a buck head titled "Dream Buck" won a red ribbon.

"Looking Back" was the title of the caricature sea captain bust from a Dallas Deege class, with a small fishing boat and a shark carved on the base, which earned Shelton a red ribbon. And last, but not least, Shelton won a blue ribbon for his "Ark of the Covenant" box with a relief carving on the side of the box, a small lamb with a crown of thorns on the lid, and a tiny dove attached to the side of the box. Congratulations, Shelton, for seven well deserved ribbons at this year's woodcarving show!



Shelton Ashley

LOOKING BACK



Diann Small

Diann Small brought the elephant head which she had carved, painted, and mounted in a three-day class while in Fredericksburg.

Johanne Morin had entered three of her lovely wood burned scenes of rocky cliffs overhanging bodies of water. Each received a ribbon, one of red, one of white, and one of blue.

Johanne's stylized sculpture titled "Wood Burning", carved from a number of different woods, won a white ribbon. And her stylized woman's figure won a red ribbon. These were both larger carved sculptures and most deserving of the ribbons awarded them.

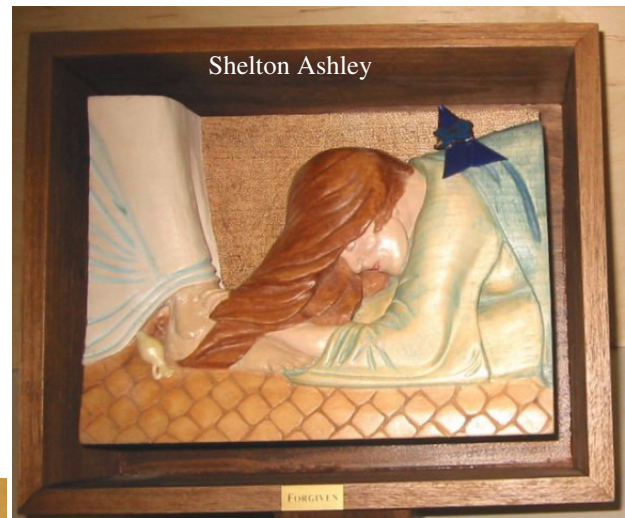
More ribbons were won than have been listed, I am sure, but it was wonderful to see the many and diverse talents displayed by members of our carving club. They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so hats off to Sue Sweeney for the

photos she took for this newsletter, which will more clearly define each items included in show and tell.

Following our show and tell, and the raffle, carvers settled in to work on the cat blank whose tail serves as a ring holder, brought by Marvin Joseph. Chips were flying and conversation flowed as the meeting came to an end.

Next month the set up/clean up squad will consist of Jake Heugel, JoAnne Cage, and Clarence Born. Hope you will mark your calendars now for our next monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evening, November 9. See you then.

October CTWA Meeting Notes
By Shirley Newman

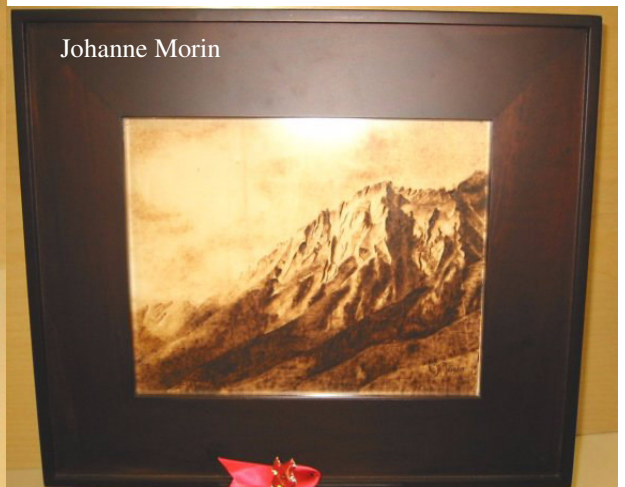


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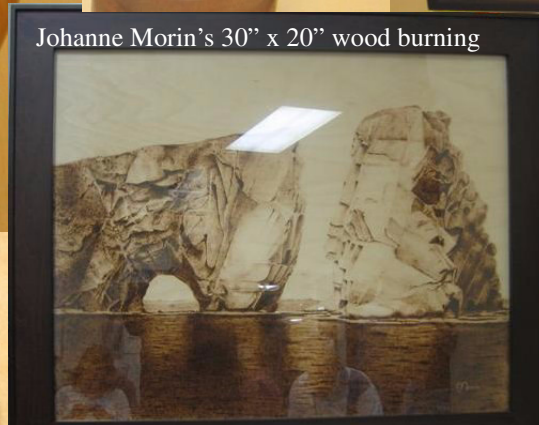


Johanne Morin

Shelton Ashley



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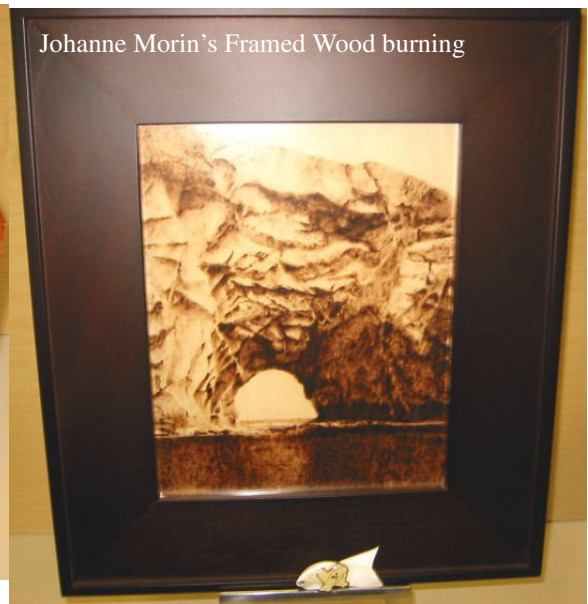
Johanne Morin's 30" x 20" wood burning



Jake Heugel



Johanne Morin



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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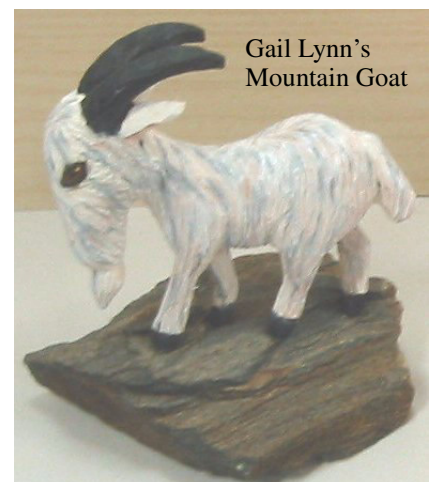
Annual membership is \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for young people under 18 years of age. During the year, new adult members dues are prorated at \$1.00 per month.

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