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Next membership meeting
November 13, 7:00 PM
Austin Woodcraft Store

Please note the club **Christmas Party has moved to Friday December 12** at the Walnut Creek optimist club house located at 505 Ferguson Drive, Austin 78753. Use the internet to find a map or ask a club member if you need directions. This will be the December club meeting as well. The club will furnish the meat, those attending are asked to bring side dishes. Those attending whose last name begins with A - E are asked to bring a salad, F - N a vegetable dish, and O - Z a dessert. Members please bring carvings for the show and tell table.

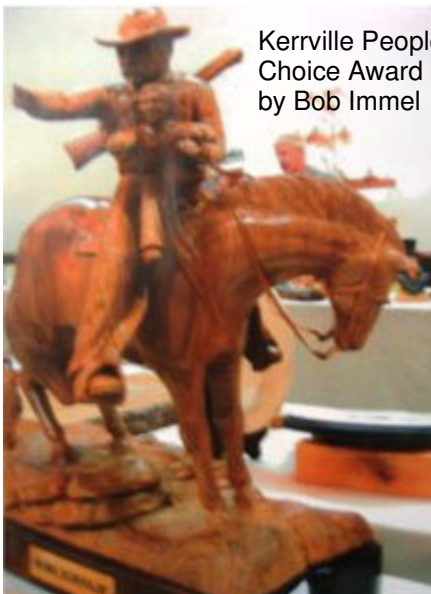


Jim Roby's
Kerrville award
winner

October meeting Minutes
By Shirley Newman

In the absence of Club President, Joe Hill, our Vice President, Gail Lynn, opened our monthly meeting Thursday, October 9, 2008 at the Woodcraft Store in Austin.

Jim Roby, Treasurer, reported a balance in our club account of \$1,439.61 after memorial contributions had been made in memory of Bill Lawrence and Tony Novak, and other expenses including the cost of ordering club t-shirts had been met.



Kerrville People's
Choice Award
by Bob Immel

Gail Lynn stated that the class to be led by Dee Gibson beginning October 11th had 10 people signed up to participate.

Thirty-four eagle head canes have been carved by our club members for veterans since the project began. Diann Small asked for a head count of anyone still wishing to carve a cane, and will pass the word to Walter Wharton that we need 15 more cane kits. As before, the club will pay for the kits.

Jean Johnson reminded the group that Debbie Edwards will teach a class in February of 2009. Those planning to participate must sign up with Jean, and payment will be expected at the time of sign-up. The item to be carved will be decided by those in the class.

Jim Roby announced that our club members did very well in competitions at the TWG Fall Extravaganza in Kerrville in September. Johnny Dunlap won two blue ribbons, Dottie Dunlap won a blue and a red ribbon, Ron Perry won a red and a white ribbon, Dwight Vance won two white ribbons, Jim Roby won a blue and a red ribbon, and Bob Immel won two blue ribbons plus the Peoples Choice award. The colored ribbons represented First Place-blue, Second Place-red, and Third Place-white in their respective categories. CONGRATULATIONS to all those who entered the competitions was expressed by a hearty round of applause!

Editors Note: Even though we had good club attendance at the fall extravaganza and excellent club participation in the show, we had very few exhibits on our club table. Diann Small had most of the exhibits. There were only two other exhibitors for the bulk of the show. I think we can do better than this and should plan a few months ahead for the next fall show.

Plans are already in the mill for the TWG Spring Round-Up which will again be held in Kerrville April 24 - May 3, 2009 at the Inn of the Hills Resort & Convention Center.

Gail Lynn requested that anyone interested in becoming or continuing as a CTWA Officer for the upcoming year make that interest known to her or to Joe Hill.

Thanks go to Marvin Joseph for preparing the eagle blanks as our October blank of the month.

Following the raffle, the show and tell table was front and center with many interesting and varied pieces completed for our viewing pleasure.

Diann Small had carved a lovely and very realistic Star Gazer Lily... so real you just wanted to pinch a petal (but didn't dare). She had also finished a cane begun in

class in Kerrville. Lots of work and detail went into both pieces.

Jim Roby brought his realistic lion mounted on a base and also the two wolves with a tiny rabbit snuggled in a tiny cave, both of which won ribbons in Kerrville.

Jake Heugel had carved a caricature bum making hobo stew, complete with an armadillo yet to be added to the pot, and a wooden ladle nearby to stir it all up.

Bill Buckler had a most interesting caricature of a man riding a "barrel horse" with bags of oats nearby. A real eye catcher.

Dan Gillen tried his hand at stylized carving resulting in a lovely stylized swan from butternut.

Edward Jasek brought a jewelry box he had completed with a lovely carved and painted lid.

Eldridge Tidwell had carved and painted a shallow relief of a cactus with bloom which he had donated for auction. From the photo we know it went quickly at auction.

Bob Immel's man on horseback was also available for viewing by photo. Those attending Kerrville were able to see this remarkable work which won Peoples Choice.

Clarence Born had carved two more of his floral reliefs with the detailed and undercut flower petals, one painted a soft pink, and the other an appealing red. He also brought a tiny kitty carving which will be the blank of the month in November.



Shirley Newman had completed the stylized wren carved from butternut in Ray North's class in Kerrville, and also shared the doorstep which is best described by viewing the photo.

Shirley's 9 year old grandson, Drew, who has taken up carving at Grandma's in recent weeks, brought the gun he had carved from butternut, sanded and finished, and also his initial work which was a sock shaped article, and a butter knife (seen below) which began as more of a small hunting knife.



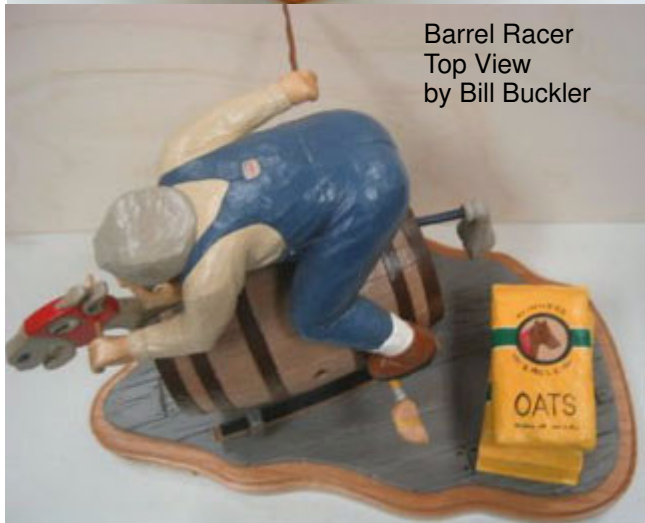
We want to extend a welcome to our newest club member, Brian Millican, who brought the chest he had built and chip carved as a wedding gift for his sister. Thanks, Brian, for sharing this amazing work, and for becoming a part of our carving group. Welcome to our Club!



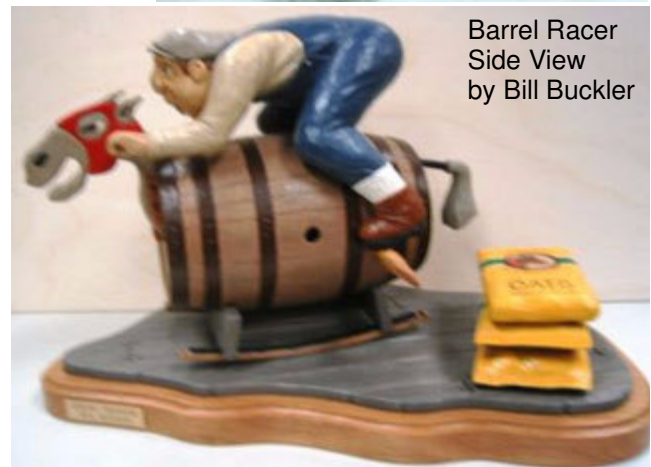
Edward Jasek



Diann Small



Barrel Racer
Top View
by Bill Buckler



Barrel Racer
Side View
by Bill Buckler



Kerrville Award Winner
by Jim Roby



Clarence Born



Door Stop
by Shirley Newman



Drew Newman



Guess
Who?



Shirley Newman



Dan Gillen



November
Blank of the
Month

Clarence
Born



Armadillo Stew
Cook
by Jake Heugel



Fancy Cane with Turquoise inlay
by Diann Small

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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