

the Cutting Edge

Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodcarvers Association

Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM, Thurs., Nov. 12, 2015, by Clarence Born, club President. There were 16 members present.

The Treasurers report showed \$1434.30 in our account.

Blank of the Month

November: Cruz Rendon

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News

We had a visitor who was looking for a woodcarver to craft a trophy for his business. He showed us a drawing of a standing angel with wings, there was a discussion of details, and he was advised that Pat Moore was probably the person to contact. Dan said he would send him her email and phone number so he could make the contact.

The Christmas party will be held on Thursday, December 10, at **Springhill Restaurant** in Pflugerville starting at 6:00 PM for socializing, with the meal to follow. It will cost approximately \$18 per person for the buffet. We will need a count of the number attending by the first week of December. Please bring Show & Tell items to the party. Also, there will be an ornament exchange for anyone who wishes to participate.

The response list from the meeting and phone calls is:

Eldridge 2, Zak 2, Clarence 1, Joe G. 2, Cruz 1, Shelley & Helen 2 (off menu), Dan 2, Jim R. 2, Betty 1, Woody 1, Tom 2, Diann 1 or 2, Johnnie 2, Dwight 2, and Monty 2. Any additions or corrections, please call Woody at **512-627-3520** or email woodburn60@yahoo.com.

Eldridge and Diann each won several prizes for their carvings at the TWG competition in October.



Door Prizes

- ◆ Johnnie won a "Santa" dog blank, which he returned;
- ◆ Helen won a blank;
- ◆ Eldridge won a Bobby Gordon knife.

Blank of the Month

Cruz had the 'blank of the month'; He brought a selection of several different ornament blanks that could be used for festive bolo ties.



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Clarence suggested that we should vote on new Life Members: Bob Allen, Jake Heugel, Tony Silver, Marvin Joseph, and Jim Roby. Diann made a motion to vote on this and it was passed unanimously.

Tom brought some carvings and wood (from the estate of a police chief who died several years ago) for everyone to look through and take.

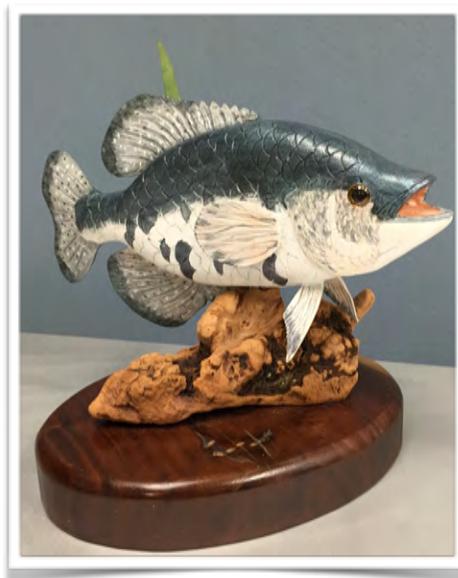
Clarence said that Jake is weak, but he hopes to attend the Christmas party.

Dan said that Cal Stewart is in the Hospital; he has degenerative arthritis and lesions on his brain.

Eldridge was elected President of the club, beginning Jan. 1, 2016.

Show and Tell

Diann carved a cane for Carl with Mississippi decorations on it, also a Black Crappie from a Wanda Reichert blank.



Jim Roby carved a chain.





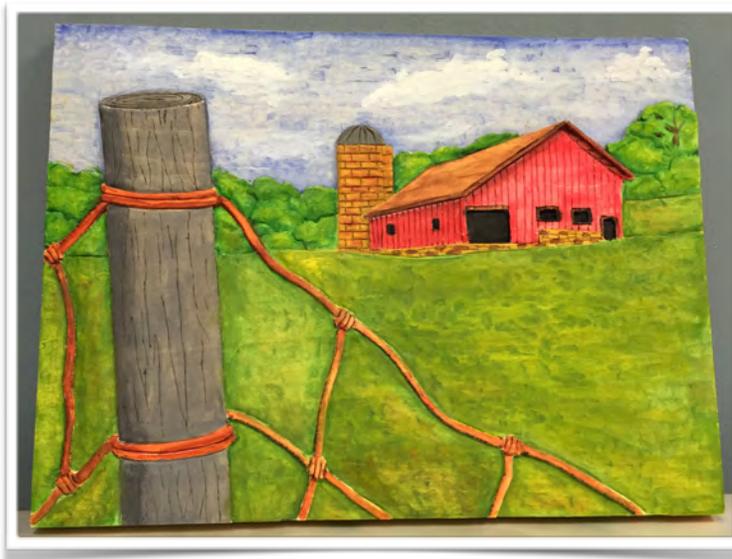
Shelley carved a Santa in a chimney and a cookie Santa, both from Adair's class.



Dan carved a barfly and said that Dwight had won 1st place in that competition.



Eldridge brought relief carvings done by his students (6th and 8th graders), also a barn scene relief he carved from John Engler's pattern and a gourd that his wife made in class. He also had a cane he decorated with Betty Boop made for his wife, a cane with Fire Dept. decorations for his sons (both Firefighters and he will do one for his daughter who is trying out for the Fire Dept.).



Fred brought several bowls made from pine, which he hollowed out using sanding discs made from leather, also using sand paper on a Dremel mandrel.



Zak carved a football helmet with Dallas Cowboy's insignia.

Johnnie carved a snow leopard, mounted on a piece of Manzanita root.



Clarence brought several Heart pendants carved from butternut, and several sets of boot and heart earrings. He said that he had donated 35 sets of earrings to a Church camp for them to sell at their shop.





Eldridge 's students (6th and 8th graders).

Next meeting will be the Holiday Party on
December 10, 2015

The next meeting will be at 7:00 PM,
Thursday, January 14, 2016,
at the Hancock Center.



Gourd. Artist unknown. Please let Woody or Lu know if this is yours and I will credit you in the next issue!!!!!!