

Houston Area Woodcarvers

Newsletter



Note: We will have the 2 finishes for your relief cross at the meeting.

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Spirit Mask with Helen Havemann



Helen will teach a Kachina refrigerator magnet project this Saturday. It is a modification of a Hopi Kachina carving photo from the internet. This project can be done as a flat woodburning project or as a simple carving project. Bring your knife, v-tool and a small paint brush. Also bring a woodburner if you have one, with tips A or J for burning lines. Helen will bring her woodburner for those who need to use it. The paints and other supplies will be provided.

Tips from Lance and Dave

This is happening a little earlier than expected, but I was told that I should write something for the newsletter. This is a new year, and that is traditionally an opportunity to make resolutions that we will probably break. Mine for 2017 is to explore types and techniques in carvings that I really haven't tried before. I

know that I'll probably produce some kindling wood along the way, but maybe I will stretch my carving abilities a little. Too many of us get comfortable with carving Santas, birds, reliefs or chip carvings and just keep doing variations of the same thing over and over. Or we may always use someone else's

pattern, cutout or roughout as a starting point. Let's try something new in 2017. It doesn't have to be an entirely different type or style of carving. Just push the perceived limits of your carving abilities a little and try some project that you thought was

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President's Message



Hi Folks,

Well it is time to kick off 2017 with our first meeting. If that wasn't excitement

enough, you may also pay your dues for the new year at this meeting - just see Shen with cash or check in hand. Now if your not already tingling, you must come in to see the launch of Lance Rath's new regime. I have been informed we should do this with a official election for him & his new officers, so if you didn't get around to voting last fall in the nationals, here is your chance to get it out of your system!

Helen Havemann is going to lead us off with a southwestern carving project, a kachina refrigerator magnet and I finally get to sit in on one - yahoo!

This will be my last message (you'll probably want to frame this newsletter) as president of a great club with great members!

See you Saturday, Joe

Continued: Lance & Dave

too hard or complicated. I've already started on something that I've never tried before and I'll show you mine if you'll show me yours.

Lance

HAWC should promote all carving gatherings in the area. HAWC has a regular Thursday night session at the Bayland Community Center from 4:30 to 8:45. People should contact Lorraine at

rainegone@gmail.com for notices. I believe Lance and Mike Moeskau have a groups as well.

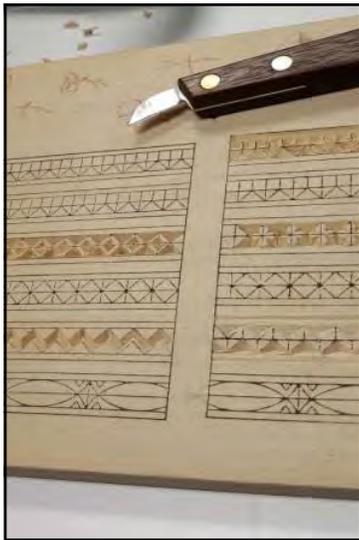
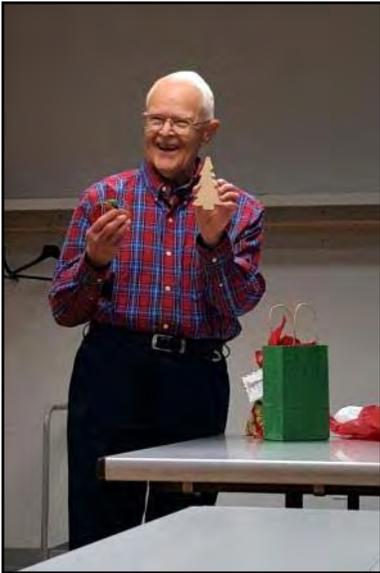
Club members may want to take advantage of the wonderful carving lessons available at carvinonline.com.

This web site offers for a nominal fee unlimited internet access to a number of experienced carving teachers including our own Joe Perkins and Dallas Deege. If the reason you do not take

advantage of the opportunity is because you do not have the ability to make the cut outs from the templates that are given with the lessons, Dave Kissinger offers a solution. Please see him about the cut out that you need and he may do it for you. You will have to cover the cost of the wood. A few of Dave Stetson's Little Hombre and Joe Perkin's Angel are available at our cut-out table now.

Thank You, Dave Kissinger









The Houston Area Woodcarvers meet from 9am-2pm on the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Bayland Park Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St., Houston, TX 77074.

See us on the Web: houstonareawoodcarvers.com