

# Houston Area Woodcarvers

## Newsletter



**Note: Dues are due this month.**

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## Pencil Carving with Ronnie Boston



Ronnie Boston will teach us to carve a caricature face on a pencil. There is no photo of the project, but Ronnie will bring many caricature pencil

## Vice President's Message

Our 2019 carving classes at the monthly meeting starts with Ronnie Boston teaching at the January meeting. For more information on his class, a description can be found elsewhere in the Newsletter. No doubt the class will require a knife and the usual assortment of tools.

While the January class is established, the re-

mainder of the year is void of instructors and projects. A signup sheet will be available at the January meeting. The sheet will include a slot for month, instructor and project. Dallas Deege has mentioned an interest in teaching a class during one of the meetings. However, he will need a show of hands to determine the interest in his class pro-

ject before making a firm commitment.

As previously announced, our annual Show, Sale and Competition will be held the third week end of October. The date is Saturday, October 19 with classes the preceding Thursday and Friday. Hopefully, an update on instructors will be available at the meeting.

# President's Message

## New Beginnings

1/10/2019 - I'm writing this in McAllen, where today we presented my entries for judging in the Rio Grande Valley Wood Carvers Show. Gail and I have been here all week with two other couples visiting the sites of the World Birding Center. I now have a list of potential carving subjects long enough to last for several years. The RGV show is the first one of 2019, and this our second time to make it part of our annual show tour. The RGV club sponsoring the

event contains many members that are referred to as "Winter Texans" in polite circles. They party pretty good though.

1/11/2019 – The first day of the RGV show was pretty successful. All six of the carvings entered into competition did well. Three firsts and three second places. One of them even took a memorial award for being judged as the best bird carving in the show. I suppose that Dallas now can claim that I have truly and completely

gone over to the "dark side".

1/12/2019 – Big surprise at the end of the show. My clapper rail carving was voted People's Choice by the show's attendees. Since there were over 140 works to choose from, I consider that a great honor. I try to make my pieces visually interesting and appealing. Apparently this one was a success.

We will be heading home on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>, after teaching three days of classes. See you on Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>.



2019 RGV Milton E Smith Bird Carver Award



2019 RGV People's Choice Award

# Photos from the Christmas Party









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.

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