

Newsletter

Presidents' Message

We have some exciting news! HAWC is moving! Yes, after careful deliberation and conversations with members the decision was made in March to move our monthly meetings to **Faith Lutheran Church's Day School Community Center**. The church is located at 4600 Bellaire Blvd., a scant 3 miles east of Bayland Community Center.

The decision to move was made because of the uncertainty and difficulty of obtaining a room large enough for us at Bayland, which caused some of our meetings to be cancelled. Also considered was the possible remodel of Bayland Community Center. Faith Lutheran Church is excited to have us. They remembered that HAWC held several of its Fall Shows and Classes at Faith Lutheran. We have a reservation at Faith Lutheran for the third Saturday of the

month through December 2025 and into 2026. It will be exciting to share our talents and art with the Faith Lutheran Church community. Good things to come!

At our March meeting the Christmas in July carving contest was introduced and hen eggs were available for those wanting to participate. See details in this newsletter.

Helen Havemann (Texas Woodcarvers Guild Secretary) told us about the fun and new things going on at the TWG Spring Round-Up. She encouraged HAWC to have a club table at the 2026 TWG Spring Round-Up. We think that's a good idea, how about you? More discussion on that later.

It's not too early to start carving your entries for the HAWC 55th annual Fall Show and Competition. Plans are getting underway

and details will be shared soon. Show Chairman Carolyn Smith is busy contacting carving instructors for the classes on October 15-17. Let her know if you have a favorite instructor who might be available. **Save the date — October 18** for the show and competition.

We're still looking for a Shutter Bug to be club photographer; talk to Preston or Carolyn if you are interested.

May is our first gathering in the new location, Faith Lutheran Church, (9:00 a.m. —2:00 p.m.). Unfortunately, we will not be there because of a prior commitment.

Happy Carving! And keep the chips flying.

Carolyn & Preston Smith

Monthly Project (Mini-class)

May will be an Open Carving month. It's a good time to start carving your entry for the Christmas in July contest or Christmas Ornaments for NWCA's Share and Care Ornament Project. Volunteers are still needed to provide projects for June, August, September, and January.

Sunshine Corner

Roy Borchart and Eve Taylor are moving to North Carolina this month. We will miss them and wish them happy carving in North Carolina.

Please keep Lina Li in your prayers. She had a fall and broke her wrist and suffered a compression fracture in her Lumbar spine. Lina is now home and recovering.

Christmas in July Carving Contest

- * Carve a Christmas ornament from a basswood egg.
- * Any style carving and/or wood burning.
- * Must have a way to hang it on a Christmas tree.
- * Judging will be at the July meeting by popular vote.
- * One entry per person.
- * Ornaments will be donated to the NWCA Share & Care Campaign.

Member Roster

We are working on a member roster to share with current HAWC members. Please email your current info. — name, address, telephone, email address to Carolyn Smith, carolynann@consolidated.net. We are also trying to compile an Emergency Contact list which will be shared only with the HAWC officers. Please send Carolyn that info. as well. (Name, cell phone number, relationship).

Texas Woodcarvers Guild Upcoming Events



April 18 - April 19, 2026 - Show & Competition

April 20 - April 24, 2026 - Seminars

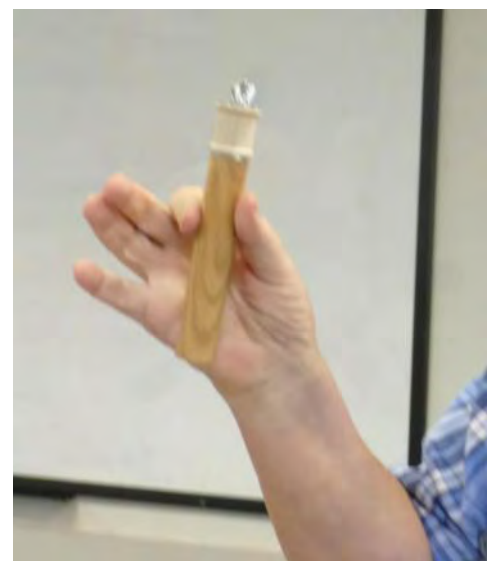
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Show and Tell



Fred Childers

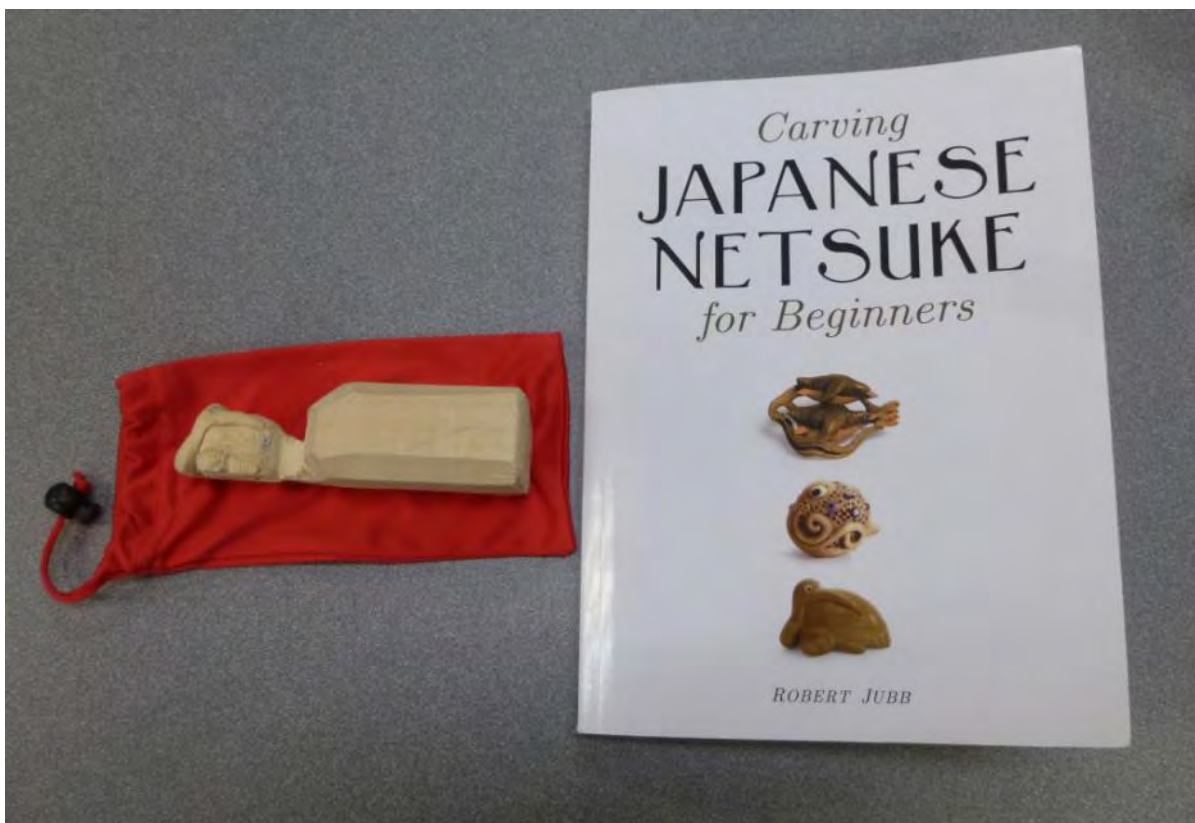


Ronnie Boston

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HAWC Projects from Bayland's Display Case





The Houston Area Woodcarvers meet this month from 9am-2pm on the 3rd Saturday, May 17,202 at the Faith Lutheran Church's Day School Community Center, 4600 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX

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