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Houston Area Woodcarvers

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Newsletter

SEE YOU AT THE SHOW THIS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18!

SET UP BEGINS BETWEEN 8 AND
9 AM. THE SHOW STARTS AT
9AM.

President's Message

Our October meeting was well attended – about 30. Fred Childers' class on wiggle jack-o-lanterns was well attended. It looked like they were having too much fun! And the pumpkins looked great.

Show 'n Tell was awesome. We have some very talented carvers in our group. The best thing is that everyone is willing to share their tips and tricks and how-tos. Three more crosses were added to the collection for Faith Lutheran's wall of crosses.

The time is here! Our 55th Annual Show, Sale and Competition is this month – the 18th! If you didn't sign up for a table you can still enter the competition. Entries must be turned in by 9:45 a.m. on the 18th. Who knows you may have the winning carving. Don't forget the whittling contest at 1:30 p.m. Kevin Lawson has something up his sleeve for the project – he's keeping it secret until time for the contest. Help is needed to greet

visitors, with set up/clean up, raffle ***Come one, come all and bring your family and friends!***

Matt Brueggeman has been sharing JoAn's "stash". Among the items I found a snowman icicle carved by R. L. (Len) Dillon. It's really cute and had the instructions in the bag. So I thought I'd share it with you; it could be a quick Christmas gift project.

See you at the Fall Show!

Carolyn & Preston Smith

Monthly Project (Mini-class)

Jamie Frontiera is bringing the November project: a post-card size, chip carved Angel. Thank you! December will be our annual Christmas party so there won't be a class.

Sunshine Corner

No news.

Fall Show and Classes

The show will be at Faith Lutheran Church on October 18 and classes on October 15-17. Tell all your friends about the show. Encourage them to come see the art and watch the whittling contest at 1:30 p.m.

Registration Count:

Classes: 7

Show Tables: 15

Deadline is October 1 for classes and show tables. Competition entries due by 9:45 am on the 18th.

Please let Jamie Frontiera know if you have items for the raffle.

Don't Forget! The Christmas ornaments for the National Wood Carvers Association (Chip Chats) Share & Care Campaign will be sent in after our show. If you have any more ornaments to donate, please bring them to the show or classes – October 15-17. Thanks for helping!

George Oliver Ives Jr. February 14, 1940 - August 28, 2025



1/23/2010



6/16/2012



9/13/2014



10/13/2018



11/10/2019



12/14/2019



2/19/2022



7/15/2024



10/19/2024



11/23/2024

Show and Tell



Judy Guy—woodburned cross



Charlie Holden—Colored glass cross and angel cross (below)



Show and Tell



Fred Childers



Jamie Frontiera



Show and Tell



Lance Rath



Paul Kendrick

Fred Childers' Class





A Fun Carving Designed by Len Dillon



7" x 1"

CARVING A "SNOWMAN" ICICLE

DRAW PATTERN ON ALL FOUR SIDES OF STICK:

1. MAKE STOP-CUT TOP AND BOTTOM OF HAT AND SHAPE.
2. MAKE STOP-CUT TOP OF SCARF, ROUND AND SHAPE FACE.
3. MAKE STOP-CUT BOTTOM OF SCARF AND SHAPE.
4. ON FRONT USE "V" TOOL TO OUTLINE SCARF
5. USING KNIFE SHAPE STICK TO AN ICICLE FORM (DO NOT MAKE IT LOOK LIKE A TENT STAKE).
6. USE "V" TOOL, CARVE IN DRIPPING WATER EFFECT. DRILL HOLE FOR TOOTHPICK NOSE.
7. PAINT USING VARIOUS COLORS FOR TOP HAT AND SCARF. FACE AND BODY ARE WHITE. NOSE IS CARROT ORANGE. BLACK DOTS FOR EYES AND MOUTH. ANTIQUE AND SPRAY.

R. L. "LEN" DILLON





The Houston Area Woodcarvers meet for our annual Show this Saturday October 18, 2025, from 9am-5pm, at the Faith Lutheran Church Day School Community Center, 4600 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX

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