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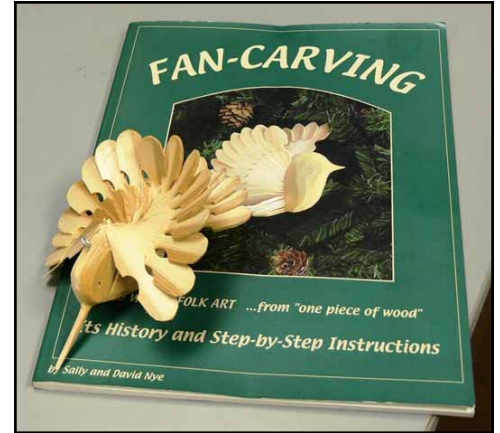
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June Class: Fan Bird

Fred Childers will teach a class on fan birds Saturday, June 16th. The white cedar wood for your fan bird will cost \$ 6. Bring a bench hook and draw knife if you have them; you will find them useful. Please bring your carving knife and plan to have fun.

Auction This Saturday!

Bring your auction items to Lorraine Lewis for the auction at our meeting this Saturday. The club can raise funds with your donations of carving magazines, tools and supplies.



Last Chance to Sign up for Painting Class

June is the deadline for signing up for the painting classes with A. J. Schexnayder; see www.ajschexnayder.com. The cost is \$65 per session, for a total of \$130. The classes will cover use of watercolor, gouache, acrylic and combinations of these mediums. Paint, brushes and paper will be supplied. It's a great way to try several types of painting media without having to purchase all of those paints. A \$20 deposit will hold your place in the class.

President's Message

Can you believe that the year is nearly half over? Before we know it we will be at our Fall Show (in 3 months). We had a good turn out for the meeting, with one guest, Nancy Warren. Thanks for stopping by, and please feel free to come back anytime. Thanks to Joe Perkins for the class on angels; everyone had a great time. Speaking of classes, the painting class for planned for the July & August meetings has only 4 people signed up as of end of last meeting. We need 8 for the class to make, and it

would be better if we had 12. The June meeting is the last time to sign up for the class. If we do not get 8 signed up for the class it will be CANCELED!!!! Would like to say a few words on our classes and show. Work continues' to go well. We have hit a few speed bumps, but Carolyn just keeps going and working thru them to work things out. What we, the Club, need, is for everyone to get a table at the show. This will give you a place to show your work and if you would like maybe sell. But the big reason

to get a table is to help the club pay the bills. Please think about it, and when the information comes out please help the club. The new club sign is being put together now. We still have 2 letters that have not been returned. The letters are being attached to the sign and with a little luck the sign will be ready in July. REMEMBER: our silent auction is at our meeting this week, so bring in your items in. See everyone Saturday,

Ronnie

Show and Tell



Butch Wilken made this folding carving stand for walking sticks or canes. He carved the bear in Leah Goddard's class at New Braunfels.



Lorraine Lewis did the chipmunk in Donna Menke's class at New Braunfels.



Dallas Deege showed us two of Dee Gipson's carvings that he purchased. Dee did one of the last week at the shop. They are filming a video to teach how to carve it.

We were not able to identify the carver for this beautiful duck. If you know who carved it, please let us know.



Helen Havemann carved the skunk in Leah Goddard's class in New Braunfels. Leah will be back in the Spring, and Helen highly recommends her class.





Errol Frazier carved this scene with the soldier and his 3 dogs.



Bill and Kaye Lewis took a clay sculpture class in the Brazosport area and learned a lot. Bill did the gold lady with blue eyes. Kaye made the bronze bust.



Charles Glass carved this Galveston driftwood into a "Mesa Verde with Log Cabins." He did it about 5 years ago.



Carol Roby carved the Santa in the Chimney. She also did a stylized cat and bird. The Indian she carved is "Chief I'm Waiting."

Fred Childers said Mike Moeskau taught him how to carve the golf ball. Fred showed us his fan birds that he will teach in the June class. They are carved from white cedar from Maine.



Ronnie Boston carved Hugs the Santa Claus in Jon Nelson's class at New Braunfels. He carved "Claudette" the camel in Larry Stanfield's class. She was Claude until he added the big lips and tennis shoes.



Preston Smith carved the girl in Ron Davis's class in New Braunfels. He carved the skunk in Leah Goddard's class. He will paint it in the painting class coming up in July.



Berny Alvarez did this butterfly. He paid \$45 for the little bird and tried to duplicate it. He couldn't, but he is still trying.



Mike Moeskau carved the Baltimore Oriole with the habitat. The feet are pewter. The found wood carving has a trout swimming out of it. His softball carving was fun. He also carved a teacup mouse (not shown).





Zane Bumguardner did this pronghorn antelope in a 5 day class with Hoyt Hutchinson in New Braunfels. The woodburning takes a long time. He will use the cottonwood for a base. He carved the Eagle head letter opener in Pat Moore's night class.



JoAn Brueggeman carved this peeking mouse in Donna Menke's class at New Braunfels. She enjoyed the class which included texturing, burning and painting the mouse.



Lin Swalley carved this leaf. It's a work in progress, and she is working on a second one.



Carolyn Smith did this Pelican relief in Wanda Reichert's class at New Braunfels. She woodburned a portrait of her mother using an old photograph in Patty Rucker's class.



WANTED! Christmas Carvings

Christmas themed carving donations are needed for our booth this Fall at the Tomball German Christmas Market. Any style carvings or woodburnings are good. Santa's, snowmen, angels, reindeer, and elves are great. All should have a finish (natural or painted). Give them to Terry Kirschke, who has volunteered to collect them.

Free Carving Patterns

Chris Whillock and the Editors of Carving Magazine are updating their e-news list and would like to add new members. To sign up for their free monthly carving patterns, please send your e-mail address to Chris Whillock at: chris@woodcarverswarehouse.com

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