



## NORTH ALABAMA WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION

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## President's corner:

*The start of spring brings life. You see it all around us with the flowers blooming, the birds chirping, and the warmth coming back. Be mindful, however, of those that have not fared well over the winter and think about them in this beautiful time.*

## Classifieds:

- **FOR SALE:**

- This section of the newsletter is for our members to post carving items (wood, tools, etc.) for sale. Please send me a description of the item(s), price, and your contact information. If someone is interested, they will contact you directly.

- **I WANT TO BUY:**

- This section of the newsletter is for our members to post wood carving items they wish to buy. If you are wanting/needing something, please send me a description of the item(s) and your contact information. If someone has it and is willing to sale it, they will contact you. I will post your information in the next newsletter.

All, if you have not gone to our website lately, you need to. Mary Ellen has done an outstanding job in updating it and making it professional. You'll be amazed at what she has done. I'm sure Don helped with making sure the show pictures were cleaned up and just perfect. THANK YOU both.

<http://nawawoodcarvers.org>

## Minutes:

The April meeting was held on 16 April. The following are the minutes:

- 25 members in attendance.
- 6:45 p.m. Meeting called to order by Jose' Martin – President
- Announcements
  1. The Cave tour and wood gathering held on April 7<sup>th</sup> was a great success. There were various members in attendance and was enjoyed by all. NAWA is very grateful for the opportunity to tour the caves and to retrieve downed stick/wood.
  2. BIG THANKS went out to Phil Terry and Phil Williams for donating items to support the door prizes.
  3. A new badge order is about to be done so if someone wants a new badge, please see Debbie.
  4. Classes are progressing well with lots of new members providing positive feedback. At the end of the regular class schedule, we will continue to meet on Thursdays. If there's a desire to have a class on a specific item, please let Mr. D Boyd know.
  5. Our website has been updated and it looks extremely professional. Jose urged everyone to visit the website and admire the work that Mary Ellen has done on it.
- The door prize raffle was held
- 7:45 Meeting adjourned

## Up Coming Events

- Class projects will be held at the **Church** (Mt. View Baptist Church, 1413 McClung Avenue SE, Huntsville) at 6:30 – 8:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Next week, Jerry Kresge will be starting relief carving.
- **DECATUR SATURDAY CARV'N:** Native Americans, mountain men, Santa's and bark houses are dominant. This is the best available instruction on faces. Visit Gary's blog (<http://3crosseswoodcarving-garymc.blogspot.com/>) for eye and Santa tutorials, etc. Coffee and conversation are good, carving improving. Meetings start at 8:00AM at JAVA JAY'S (6th St./HWY 31)
- **SENIOR CENTER CARV'N:** attendance has been steady. Vocal entertainment (jokes and opinions) and conversation are interesting, coffee and cookies are good, carving improving. (2200 Drake Ave SW Huntsville at noon).

- **Next Meeting** will be held on **May 21<sup>st</sup>** at the Mt. View Baptist Church 1413 McClung Avenue SE Huntsville.



Comments welcomed

Thank you, Jose' Martin