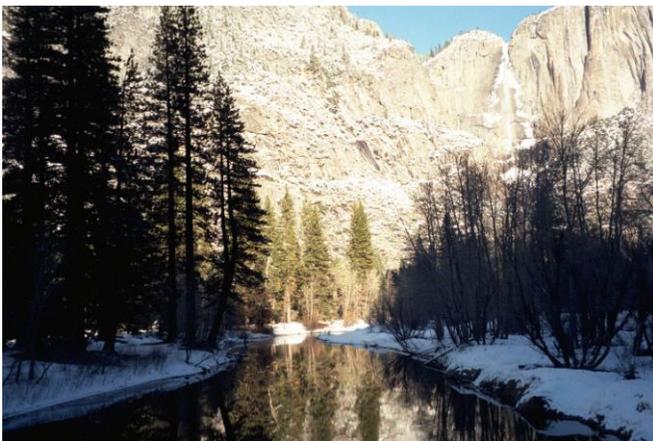


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Yosemite National Park in December
(Yes it was cold but the beauty was worth it!)

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FEBRUARY – Reflecting on the dreary and rainy days that we've had and looking forward to Spring makes a big difference in our attitudes as we continue to endure the wet season. Let's accept it as nourishment for the plants, trees and the flowers to come.

COMMENTS

- **President's corner:**

- *It looks like classes are going well and the gatherings are continuing which is all good. We are learning and it looks like we are having fun as well.*
- *There has been an interest in participating at Panoply this year but before I pursue this with the Panoply staff, I would like to get your input. I'm assuming that we probably need about a dozen volunteers for 2 – 3 hours each to man the booth and interact with the crowd. I don't know what that will entail since I have not been to Panoply in many years but it's probably very similar to what we did at Santa's Village. If enough volunteers commit, I will pursue it. Please send me an e-mail if you would like to volunteer.*
- *We also need volunteers to teach a finishing class or to provide ideas for one. Please contact D Boyd.*

Jose' Martin

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

- Classes are continuing.
- Our website is up and it is GREAT! A big THANKS to Mary Ellen for really doing a fantastic job. If you have not been, please take a look at it.

NEW OFFICERS:

President: Jose' Martin
Vice-President: Mary Conrad Show
Chair-Person: Sandra Horn
Treasurer: Debbie Zachary
Secretary: Ellie Nelson
Training Coordinator: D. Boyd
Publicity/Advertizing: Dan Pritchett
Photographer: Don Millbranth
Newsletter Editor: Jose' Martin
Webmaster: Mary Ellen Millbranth

Please visit (press ctrl and click) our website:

<http://nawawoodcarvers.org>

- The February meeting was held on the 21st and was well attended. Following are the minutes:

NAWA Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2013

6:30 p.m. 29 members in attendance.

Beginners Carving Class - "Turtle" presented by Dan Pritchett

6:50 p.m. Meeting called to order by Jose' Martin - president

New Business:

1. D Boyd is arranging a class in "Finishing" He is asking for members to bring projects to the class and explain how the finishing was done. We cannot bring solvents etc. into the church, so will be "show & tell". If anyone is interested in presenting, contact Dee Boyd. The class will be held in April.
2. A sign up sheet for the Chip Carving class was started, to insure that Jim will have enough supplies for it. If anyone has Chip Carving knives that can be used in the class, contact Jim Nelson.
3. Mary Ellen Millbranth has spent many hours updating our website. The new address is: NAWAWoodcarvers.org Thanks to Mary Ellen for her diligence and to Don Millbranth for the beautiful photography.

Treasurers Report: Club Dues for 2013 are due.

Show and Tell – Larry Nix

The door prize raffle was held

February Meeting



WHAT'S UP?

- Classes and gatherings are on-going.
 - **NOTICE:** Local carver Joseph Duane Vinson is now providing a tool sharpening service. Call or email Duane [256-724-2833](tel:256-724-2833), duanevin@gmail.com.
 - **COFFEE TREE CARV'N:** attendance has been good at 6-10. Carvings in chip, caricature, bark houses and tree ornaments are in progress. The coffee and food are great, carving improving. YA'LL COME ON DOWN!
 - **DECATUR SATURDAY CARV'N:** attendance has been good at 6-8. 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. YA'LL COME ON DOWN!
 - **SENIOR CENTER CARV'N:** attendance has been low but increased to 10 on the 21st. Vocal entertainment (jokes and opinions) and conversation are interesting, coffee and cookies are good, carving improving. **YA"LL COME ON DOWN!**
 - **2013 CARVING CLASSES:** Classes are small and enthusiastic. The schedule is below.
 - Please, EVERYONE, give a "show and tell" in the FINISHING classes and consider teaching a class next year.

2013 CLASS SCHEDULE: TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

COMFORT BIRD - D. BOYD -	COMPLETE
• CHAIN - TOM HORN -	COMPLETE
• COWBOY BOOT - LARRY NIX -	COMPLETE
• TURTLE - DAN PRITCHETT -	COMPLETE
• BASIC CHIP - JIM NELSON -	MAR 05&12/MAR 07&14
• HOUND DOG - JERRY KRESGE -	MAR 19&26/MAR 21&28
• BASIC RELIEF - JERRY KRESGE -	APR 02&09/APR 11&18
• FINISHING - VARIOUS -	APR 23&30/MAY 2&9

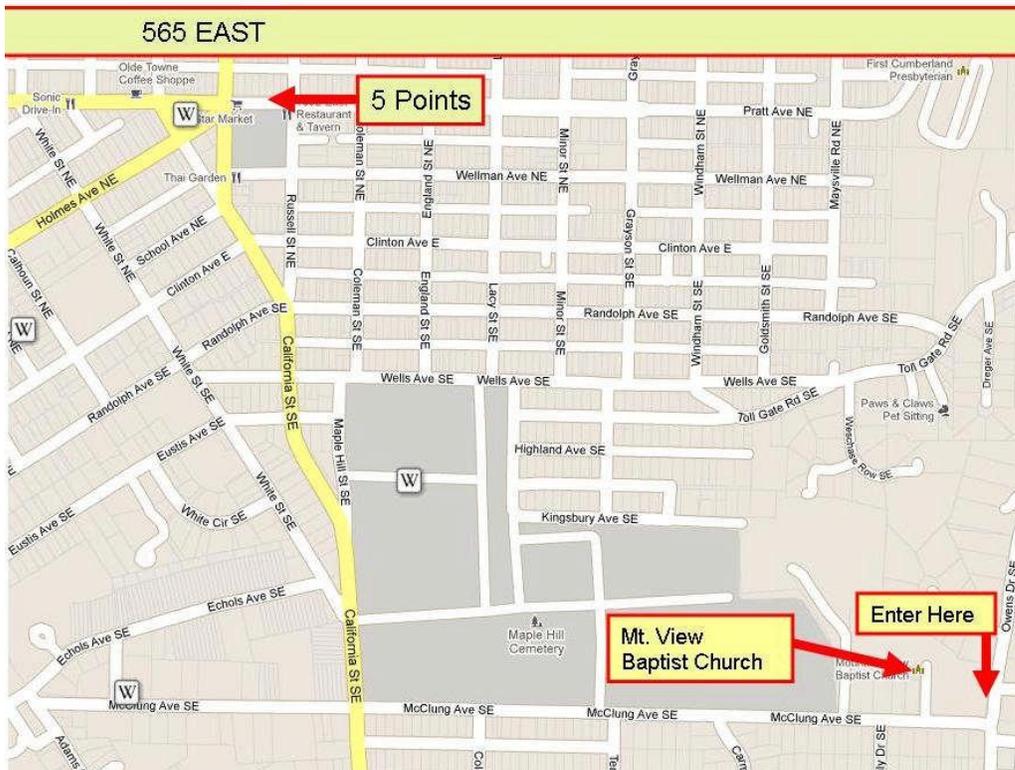
WHAT'S COMING UP?

- New Ideas. Keep them up. Please send Jose' a note.
- Our Annual November Show will be on the 2nd-3rd. Mark that weekend on your calendars.
- NAWA Membership DUES:
 - Club membership fees (\$14.00/year) will be accepted for 2012 (and even beyond if you'd like). To get in on this fantastic bargain, mail a check to the Club Treasurer (or pay by check or cash directly at any regular meeting). Provide name, address, phone numbers, and e-mail address (1 or 2). Receipts are cheerfully given! The NAWA Treasurer's name and address is:

Debbie Zachary
109 Cassia Dr.
Toney, Al. 35773

- **Next Meeting** will be held **on March 21st** at:

Mt. View Baptist Church
1413 McClung Avenue SE,
Huntsville, Alabama 35801



Comments welcomed

THANK YOU.
Jose' Martin