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2013 OFFICERS:

President: Jose' Martin
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Secretary: Ellie Nelson
Training Coordinator: D. Boyd
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COMMENTS

- **President's corner:**

- *I want to thank all of you for the tremendous support that you have given our club last year and I know you will continue to do so this year as well. Folks like you make this club more like a family than just a group of members. For our new members, I want to personally welcome you to our wood carving family. You'll find the members eager to help, tremendously talented, and extremely nice. We are very laid back and flexible so don't hesitate to ask for help when you are stuck with a project. When you don't see what you want to carve on a piece of wood (or don't hear the wood speak to you), ask one of us.*
- *I also want to thank you for your continued trust in me and the other club officers as we approach a new year.*
- *As always, if you think we need to do something different, new, or just have a comment, please let me or any of the officers know.*
- *As always, our webmaster, Mary Ellen, is continuing to update our website with valuable information, pictures, and fun stuff. Please visit us at:*

<http://nawawoodcarvers.org>

FOR SALE:

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

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.

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

- We had a great Christmas party (please see pictures) in December. Hopefully more of you will join us this year. Thank you Mary Conrad for arranging it and Phil Williams for reading our poem during the gift exchange.



- We've started our classes and have had a very good turnout. Lots of very talented new members. **Please contact D if you wish to take the BARK HOUSE CLASS** so blanks can be ordered. The following is the tentative schedule.

NAWA CARVING CLASS SCHEDULE 2014

		TUESDAY	THURSDAY
CHAIN	TOM HORN	JAN 21&23	JAN 28&30
COWBOY BOOT	LARRY NIX	FEB 04&06	FEB 11&13
TEDDY BEAR	JOHN BLOODWORTH	FEB 18&20	FEB 25&27
BARK HOUSE	PHIL TERRY	MAR 04&06	MAR 11&13
BASIC RELIEF	JERRY KRESGE	MAR 18&20	MAR 25&27
BASIC CHIP	JIM NELSON		APR 03, 10, 17, 24
OTHER items TBD			



- The January Meeting was held on 16 January. The following are the minutes:

NAWA Meeting Minutes

January 2014

35 members in attendance.

6:30 p.m. Class on the Whale in progress - taught by Dee Boyd

6:40 p.m. Meeting called to order by Jose' Martin, President

Old Business:

1. Club Tee Shirts are still available - \$10.00 each.
2. The Christmas party was held at Olive Garden on Dec. 19th with 25 attending and enjoyed by all. Thank you to Mary Conrad for arranging it.
3. Debbie is going to order badges the end of January. **If you would like to order one, contact Debbie.**
4. Club Dues of \$14.00 for the year 2014 are now due.
5. The class for next week will be the "Chain", taught by Tom Horn.

New Business:

Election of Officers for 2014 was held. The following Slate of the officers was presented and approved:

Jose' Martin – President

Mary Conrad – Vice President

Debbie Zachary – Treasurer

Ellie Nelson – Secretary

Tom Horn – Past President – Advisor

Sandra Horn – Show Chairman

Education – Dee Boyd

Publicity – Dan Pritchett

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Tom Horn made a motion to change our bylaws so that the President can serve as long as is willing. Seconded. Unanimous approval.

Dee presented a figurine of a graduate to Jose' Martin to congratulate him on his recent graduation with a Dr. of Engineering (Ph.D In Industrial and Systems Engineering) Degree from UAH.

The door prize raffle was held

7:10 Meeting adjourned

Ellie Nelson Secretary

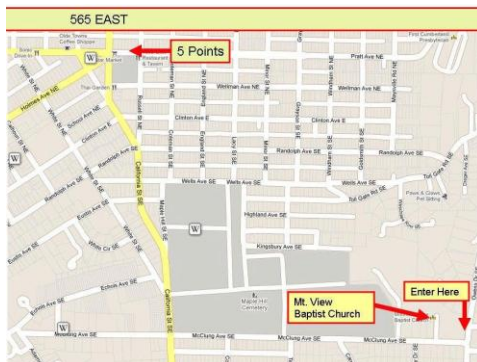
WHAT'S UP?

- All Classes are held at the **Church** (Mt. View Baptist Church, 1413 McClung Avenue SE, Huntsville) at 6:30 – 8:30. More class subjects will be announced at a later time.
- **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.
- **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. YA'LL COME ON DOWN! 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. YA'LL COME ON DOWN! (2200 Drake Ave SW Huntsville at noon).

WHAT'S COMING UP?

- More classes and subjects are being discussed and soon will be announced.
- I'm continuing to work with the Lake Guntersville Sate Park folks to carve something for them. If you are interested, please let me know.
- NAWA Membership DUES:
 - Club membership fees (\$14.00/year) will be accepted for 2013 (and even beyond if you'd like). 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 February 20th** at the Mt. View Baptist Church 1413 McClung Avenue SE Huntsville.



Comments welcomed

Thank you, Jose' Martin