



# OCWC News

Oklahoma City Woodcarvers Club

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## Volunteers for July

### *Refreshments*

Barbara Woodbury  
 And  
 Bob Brunson

### *Door Prizes & Hospitality*

Tim Hataway

## Next OCWC meeting

7:00PM

July 14, 2014

Oklahoma City Fairgrounds  
 Arts Center

June Board of Directors

11 AM, Wednesday Morning

July 23, 2014

Woodson Park Senior Center

*We had a nice note from Gary and Pat James from their new home in Illinois. He got his carving area put together in their new home. He was planning on going to the Princeton Woodcarver's Club. His email address is: [ramprat41@gmail.com](mailto:ramprat41@gmail.com)*

## Eastern Oklahoma Show

### *By Pete Zachry*

Three carvers from OCWC exhibited their works at this year's Tulsa Show. Each of the three took home at least one blue ribbon. Richard Dalke won ribbons in several areas, D.J. Boyce won blue (leaving the second place award for Wayne Roucher), and Pete Zachry took a ribbon with each of his three entries.

Pete also served on one of the judging teams that evaluated carvings in four categories. The Instructor Assisted category was particularly difficult and the first judging ended with a tied score (a very high one at that) and had to be re-judged to determine a winner. Richard Dalke's cowboy bust won by one point against a really good painted relief of a mountain lion. They were surely both blue ribbon quality.

The overall participation was about the same as last year despite the new location which wasn't easily visible from Mingo Road. Attendance was slight down on Friday; however, Saturday produced a much better flow of traffic. Wood supplies seemed to be less than usual but was surely adequate for those needing basswood or butternut. A Saturday evening dinner replaced the traditional breakfast. Considering the new location and the price of gas, this show was surely a success. Those who came to Tulsa for the show surely got their money's worth.

### *Also contributed by Richard Dalke from Tulsa*

*The Tulsa Woodcarving show was held in the Union High School Field House, June 13 & 14. It is a very nice, new facility with lots of room. This year's show seemed to me to be a little larger than last year's show. I displayed carvings and entered the competition and it was a successful weekend for me. I won 2 blue and 3 red ribbons with carvings I entered and won 2nd place in the carving contest. I did not take a selfie but did take a picture of Pete behind his table. DJ and Mary Boyce also had displays and entered their work. I hope more of you can join us next year.*

## *Jim Franklin, Sculptor*

This month's program is a return visit from the well-known sculptor, Jim Franklin. His last visit was on a night when tornados skipped their way across Oklahoma, even coming very near to his home in Perry, OK. The result was a much reduced turn-out for our meeting, so we have ask Jim to come back. It's certain that there will be many members who will have their first contact with Jim.

Since 1980 Jim has completed numerous award-winning works throughout Oklahoma and across the nation. His work includes full figures, bas relief (low relief) portraiture, medallions and wildlife. Most of his work is in bronze.

Included in Jim's works are the Billy Sims bronze at OU, a multi figure bronze at the College of Veterinary Medicine at OSU, and a bald eagle for the Home Builders Assoc. in Tulsa.

Jim's latest bronze was installed in Mitch Park on Covell Road between Santa Fe and Kelly. The work is dedicated to the oilfield workers who helped make the Edmond field so productive in the mid-twentieth century. The figure of the worker is 6' 6" tall and the drill stem and tools are all authentic for that period, not replicas. The relief carving in the background is a single bronze casting and weighs tons. During installation this piece was dropped and, to everyone's good fortune, nobody was hurt, but it did ring like a bell. A heart stopping moment for the sculptor.

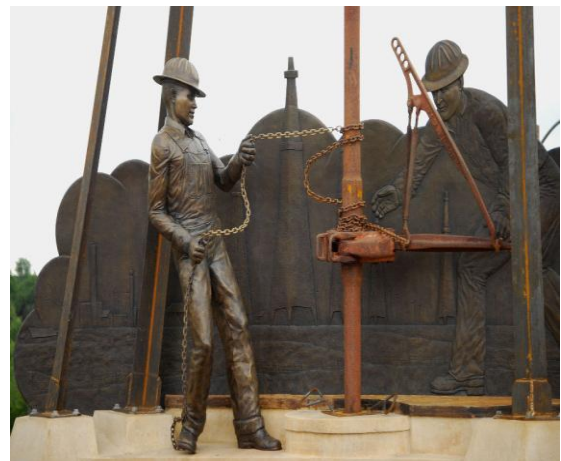
Edmond attempts to honor our military vets whenever they can so the model for the oilfield worker is a veteran of the wars in the Middle East.

## *Club History Update*

Several books of photographs from previous OCWC Shows will be available for viewing at this month's meeting. It has been decided that the number of binders dedicated to prior Show winners has become so large that the effort required to maintain and store them has greatly exceeded their usefulness. Photos of carvings by members will be made available to the individual members in the future.

The hope is that the Club History can be stored in the cabinets owned by the Club and kept at our meeting place. Perhaps relevant photographs can be stored in digital form, thus, requiring much less space and effort.

Pete Zachry, our current Historian, will search for reports published in ChipChats so they can be kept in a very few binders. He will likely be asking for help in this effort in the future.



**Mitch Park Edmond, Oklahoma**

## Show & Tell



Wood Burning By Liz Davis



Fred Self



Wood Burning By Betty Thomas



Bob Smith



Walt LaGrone



Richard Dalke



Sue Oldham



Richard White made this for his wife after her hip replacement



Wally Stephens



D.J. Boyce



Larry Willrath



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Pete Zachry's table at Tulsa show



Richard Dalke won second place in the whittling contest at Tulsa

## **Membership and Meetings**

**Membership** is open to individuals who are interested in woodcarving or the promotion of woodcarving. Annual dues are \$24.00 per family.

**General Meetings** are held on the second Monday of each month (except September) at the City Arts Center, 3000 Pershing Blvd., on the State Fair Grounds, Oklahoma City, at 7:00 PM. Visitors are always welcome. Refreshments are provided by Club members.

**Board of Directors Meetings** is held on the third Wednesday of the month at Woodson Park Senior Center in Oklahoma City at SW 29<sup>th</sup> and May Avenue at 11:00 AM.

**News Letter** is published each month and mailed or emailed to all members during the first week of each month. Anyone having news of interest to the membership or having an announcement relating to the Club or woodcarving should contact the Editor prior to the last day of the month. Articles are welcome from all members and can be emailed or called to the editor.

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