



**Mitch Cartledge**  
Morganton, NC

Mitchell resides in Morganton, NC with his wife Page. Mitchell works in the textile industry as a development manager for a company in South Carolina.

“I began carving in the early 1980s out of necessity. Carving was a frugal way to provide a gift for my sister”, Mitchell said.

Although he has not carved continuously since his first carving experience, a meeting with CCA member and author Tom Wolfe rekindled that desire to create in wood. Mitchell has since taken classes with a number of CCA members including Pete LeClair, Peter Ortel, Desiree Hajny, Gary Falin, and Harold Enlow.

For Mitchell, carving has provided more than an outlet for his creativity. Mitchell feels the biggest reward has been the friendships made with others that share his interest in the art of woodcarving. Mitchell enjoys mentoring others by building upon the student's talents and interests.



**Rich Wetherbee**  
Colorado Springs, CO

Inspired first by his father, Rich, a resident of Colorado Springs, Colorado, has been carving since he was a child. He has had no formal training and works mainly in clay and wood. He presently operates a sculpture company in Colorado Springs, Colorado, called Wetherbee Studio, that reproduces and distributes his work nationwide. Rich teaches seminars in woodcarving and sculpts commercially for several area reproduction companies as well as

for his own company. For the most part, his art makes you look at the humorous side of life, rarely venturing into that scary area known as reality.

Rich is a founding member of CCA.

# Renegade Woodcarvers Roundup



**A Caricature Carving Experience**

**March 19-23, 2018**

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The Renegade Roundup will be held at the James E. Ward Ag Center in Lebanon, Tennessee, just 23 miles East of Nashville, off Interstate 40, exit 239 north, then 1 1/2 miles on right.

The cost of the Roundup is \$225.00. Full payment is due to hold an opening. Download the registration form now by visiting [www.sbrownwoodcarving.com/events](http://www.sbrownwoodcarving.com/events).

The Renegade Roundup brings together 5 nationally known caricature carving instructors. Students will carve with a new instructor each of the 5 days.

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## The instructors include:



**Chris Hammack**  
Fort Worth, TX.

Chris' carving career began 25 years ago after a thirty foot fall landed him in the hospital. During a five month convalescence he picked up a piece of firewood and a pocket knife and began carving caricatures, of which he had sketched as a young boy growing up in Texas. Within two years, Chris began competing in carving competitions returning home with First Place Awards.

The years following would bring national seminars, art pieces presented to U.S Senators, mayors and actors. Equally, Hammack's artwork has been featured on Ó Leanin' Tree cards for over twenty years. Chris then started a successful business in Colorado and his art work went around the globe.

Today, Chris is back to his roots in Texas (Cow Town, USA) continually creating new characters/scenes and taking them straight to a fresh block of wood. Through his artwork Chris shares his intuitive knowledge of the cowboy lifestyle and the humor therein. [www.chrishammackart.com](http://www.chrishammackart.com)



**P.J. Driscoll**  
LaVista, NE

P.J.'s love for carving began in 1992. He also joined the Mid-America Woodcarvers at that time. Becoming an active member and holding numerous positions on the boarding including the current position of 2nd vice president. He is also a member of the Affiliated Wood Carvers and Eastern Woodland Carvers Club. P.J. enjoys a variety of carving: chainsaw, relief, animals-but always seems to go back to caricatures. He enjoys and remains dedicated to caricature carving. Since retirement from the Omaha Fire Department in 2007, he can now devote his time to carving along with spending time with his family.

P.J. has been honored with numerous awards. He considers some of his greatest carving achievements to be: Best of Show CCA 2007, second Best of Show; People's Choice CCA, 2004 and having a style of his own. He has been a consistent blue ribbon winner in Mid-America Woodcarving shows. P.J. has judged numerous woodcarving shows throughout Nebraska and Iowa. In 2008, he was inducted into the CCA. Next to his family, he considers his induction to be his greatest achievement and feels honored to be a member. P.J. is proud to have been involved in the CCA Caricatures in Motion book and is currently working on the new project. He has made numerous friendships and feels very lucky to have met so many influential and interesting people.



**Gary Falin**  
Alcoa, TN

Gary and Marilyn Falin live south of Knoxville in eastern Tennessee. Gary has been carving for 30 years and teaching carving for 15 years. For the last few years he has been working as a professional carver and teacher. Prior to carving full time, Gary taught a variety of subjects in secondary school. Gary teaches in carving clubs all over the United States and in several woodcarving schools, such as the J.C.

Campbell Folk School and the Tennessee Valley Woodcarving School. As an award-winning carver, Gary has won first place at the International Woodcarvers Congress and the Dollywood Woodcarving Showcase. He also won Best of Show and various other awards at the Caricature Carvers of America Competition in 2003. Gary became a member of the Caricature Carvers of America in 2004.

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