

Mystic Carvers Club

*P. O. Box 71
Mystic, CT 06355*



February 2019

The purpose of this organization is to: stimulate interest in carving as a hobby or a profession and as an art form. Our goal is to provide instruction in carving and to aid others in the practice of carving.

The next carving session and regular meeting will be on February, 24^h at The Quianbaug Fire House 50 Old Stonington Rd. Stonington, CT. The Fire House will be open at **9:45 AM** for anyone working on his or her project or wishing to carve along with the Project leader (see schedule). The club's show and tell table is set up each month so bring in your carvings to share with others.

Check out our Web Site. @ www.mysticcarvers.com

The last Mystic Club meeting was held on January 27 2019. The meeting was called to order by Carol Roffey, club president.

Carol talked about a young bird carver we met at the Woodworkers show in Massachusetts in January. He carves antique water fowl and is willing to come to Mystic maybe in September. He does beautiful work. We are looking forward to working with him.

Carol also mentioned our show coming up in May. It will be in Columbia again this year. The date is May 4th so get your entries ready.

We do need more judges again this year. Carol is working on a plan to move things along a little faster this year because we did have some community folks who had to leave the show early without getting to see the items in competition. We don't want that to happen again this year.

I know I said that the application was included in last month's newsletter and it wasn't. We are working on a new application. Hopefully we will have it ready for next month.

Project Leader was Elaine Clark carving a letter opener. Let's see some creativity come February meeting.

Mary Brown will be teaching a Box Elder comfort bird. 2019:

Project Leaders:

Feb Mary Brown: Box Elder comfort bird

Mar John Harris: whimsy

Apr Ed Ertel: Bird

Just a reminder to all our club members! It is time to start getting in your 2019 dues. Only \$10 a year! What more can you get for your \$10 than a year's membership in the best Wood Carving Club in the state??? Bring your money to the next club meeting or mail a check to: Mystic Carvers club, PO Box 71, Mystic, CT 06355

Below are a few pictures from Mike McCarthy's class on February 9th:

A great time was had by all. As usual Mike did a fantastic job. Thanks again Mike. See you next year!!!



Curlew



Egret



Mike Demo



Hilaire and Ray



Emile and Tommy



Mike's painting demo on Curlew

SEMINARS FOR 2019

Carousel Horse Carving Class

March 9 and 10 and

March 16 and 17

\$300, plus \$30

Contact Carol Roffey: croffey@comcast.net

KATHY WEBSTER

MAY 18 & 19

Ruddy Duck

**Class is full but will take names in case someone
cancels**

Contact: Alice: carveral@sbcglobal.net

Price \$40

Jim O'Dea

Power carving a song bird

\$95 instructional fee for the 3 day class plus \$15 for the Tupelo Bird blank, eyes , pattern and pewter legs.

Date to be announced later

This will be a 2 or 3 day class on power carving.
You will need a portable table top dust collector. Jim will bring a few
but if you have one then bring it.

Contact Carol Roffey:

CALENDAR OF EVENTS, 2019

March 9 and 10 and March 16 and 17:

Carousel Horse Carving Class

Contact Carol

May 4th – Our **Annual Woodcarvers Day** will be on May 4th.

Mystic's Annual Woodcarvers Day, Columbia Sr. Center. Route 66,
Columbia, ct

We will be looking for volunteers to help for the day.

Please think about what you will be entering into competition and if you will need an exhibit table.

Please contact Sheryl Popowycz to offer to help her: spopowycz@gmail.com

May 18 and 19: Kathy Webster, Bird Carver

Aug. 8, 9, & 10: **Carv-Fest Woodcarving Festival 2019**

PO Box 611, Faribault, MN 55021- 507-339-0336

Visit them on line for their schedule

Jim O'Dea will be teaching a woodcarving class at Mystic sometime
in late July or August.

The price will be \$95 for instructional fee plus \$15 for the tupelo Bird
blank eyes, pattern and pewter legs.

Jim has dust collection equipment for 4 students. He will take 6
students so two would need their own dust collectors. Also, micro
motor tool, mask and bits.

He will teach the basics of song bird carving with power.

Talk to Carol if interested.

Carving Groups:

Mystic Woodcarvers Club: Last Sunday of each month, 10 to mid afternoon. At Quiambug Fire House, Old Stonington Rd. (off Route 1) Mystic, (See web site at: www.mysticcarvers.com) Carol Roffey croffey@comcast.net

Danbury Group: Hat City Carvers - Thursdays 12:30 to 3:00, call 203-746-1544 or contact Martin Sprock, mjsindbyct.yahoo.com, for information and directions. Meetings are held at Danbury Senior Center, 10 Elmwood place, Danbury, Ct. 06810

Enders Island Group: Meets each Tuesday from 9 to 2 Contact: Ray Johnson, wcvray@hotmail.com

Westerly Senior Center Club Group: Meets Thursdays from 9:00 AM till noon at the Westerly Senior Center. Contact Gene Good 860-599-2567.

Vernon Group: Meets every Thursday. The first Thursday of every month we start a new project. Hours are 7 to 9, we meet at the Rockville Fish and Game Club, on Fish and Game Road in Tolland (near the Vernon/Tolland line). Sessions are free and open to anyone interested (you pay for materials). For more info call Ed Ertel at (860) 875-6187.

Canterbury, CT Finnish American Heritage Society: Route 169 (North of Route 14) Wednesday Afternoon, 1-4 PM Contact John Harris John.Harris@snet.net

Columbia Carvers: Senior Center carving groups: Carving group meets weekly at the Columbia, CT senior center every Tues, 9:30am-11:30 - No age limit, no fees. Call Art Austin (860-228-3395) aataustin@hotmail.com for information.

Rocky Hill: Group meets every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00 in Rocky Hill. It is Located at 961 Old Main St. in the Town Hall. Call Warren for info 860-742-3253.

Rockville Fish and Game Club: Cut ups. Club House on Fish and Game Road, off of CT Rte.31, Vernon/Tolland Ct line- near exit 67 off of I-84 Contact Ed Ertel, 860-875-6187 or erteled@yahoo.com

Farmington Valley Carvers: Farmington Community and Senior Center, meetings every Monday from 10 to 12. Located on New Britain Rd., Unionville, 860-747-6348 CT. Contact Ray Seymour. Fridays from 10-12: Contact Dave Freese 860-673-2154 dbfreese@aol.com

Nutmeg Wood Carving Club Wethersfield Art League, 193 Wells Rd., Wethersfield, CT at the Red School House, Thursday from 1 to 3:30 PM Call Mary-Grace Larke: 203-248-4143

Mansfield Misfit Woodcarvers: Meet Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 Mansfield Senior Center. Contact Emile Poirier, 860-487-2685 poirieremile@yahoo.com

Ellington Sr. Center, 40 Maple St. (CT RTE 140) Ellington, CT, (across from the High School) Wednesdays, 9:30- 11:45 they will start a new project the 1st. of every month-cost of materials only New comers welcome. Contact: ED Ertel- 860-875-6187

CWCA Ct Forest & Park, Middlefield, CT (old rte 66) 10 to 2, 1st. Sundays
Contact Leo Hein, Pres. 860-675-5473

The Following people have volunteered to keep the club activities moving along:
The club members thank you for your endless dedication and help!

President-Carol croffey@comcast.net 860-603-2449

Vice President –Ed Ertel erteled@yahoo.com 860-875-6187

Treasurer-Ben Anderson (860-536-1762) bander063@live.com

Carving Coordinator: Recruit members to lead a carving project at each monthly meeting: ensure back up plan is in place if needed.

Monthly Project Coordinator-Mary Brown (860-774-3458) or mbrown06239@gmail.com

Show Chairman: Provide leadership to ensure the May Show is run successfully.

Show Chair – Sheryl Popowycz, Carol Roffey, spopowycz@gmail.com

Retreat Coordinator: Provide leadership to ensure that the October Retreat is run successfully.

Retreat Coordinators -Dennis Tormey dtormey5519@earthlink.net 860-337-0053
& Carol Roffey croffey@comcast.net

Library Custodian: Maintain club's library by monitoring current inventory, look for additions and see that inventory is maintained properly.

Library Custodian –Bob Arpin 860-884-2535

Mail Man: Collect mail from Post Office and bring to monthly meeting.

Mail Man - Bill Welsh (860-536-7008) or wwelsh71@yahoo.com

Newsletter Distribution: On a monthly basis see that the club Newsletter is written, copied, addressed and mailed to those not receiving via email.

Newsletter Editor & Distribution- Alice Mellor (860-450-9198) carveral@sbcglobal.net

Membership Chairman: Look for opportunities to increase membership, eg. Have apps and table set up at Show and Retreat., Maintain Membership list. See that new members are welcomed and engaged in club activities.

Membership Coordinator– Hilaire Cote (860-599-5722) nsduckhouse@yahoo.com

Website Coordinator: Dennis Tormey & Carol Roffey croffey@comcast.net

Equipment Coordinator: Maintain club's equipment (sharpening and lights) are in safe operating condition, repaired if needed. Ed Ertel

2019: Project Leaders:

Feb Mary Brown: Box
Elder comfort bird
Mar John Harris: whimsy
Apr Ed Ertel: Bird
May Eugene Good
June Art Austin
July Bob Vredenburg
Aug Dennis Tormey
Sept Dennis Taylor
Oct Martin Sprock and
Jim Dutton
Nov Hilaire Cote
Dec Randy Russo