## Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71 Mystic, CT 06355



July 2018

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 July 29, 2018 at **Fort Shantock for our annual picnic. Directions are at the end of this Newsletter.** Someone will be there to start setting up around 9:45 AM for anyone working on his or her project or wishing to carve along with the Project leader (see schedule).

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

Thanks to Project Leader, Emile Porierre and Lenny Szack for teaching at the June meeting.

They were carving the cutest little "Hot Dog" dog and they had carved a hot dog bun to put the dog in. It will be interesting to see who carves the bun to put the dog in! The boys had a drawing for those of us who were carving the dog and Ralph Eboli won. Congrats to Ralph and a big thanks to Emile and Lenny for teaching.

The project leader for July will be: Chuck Larkins.



We had one new carver join us at this month's meeting. Thanks Boyce for coming and we hope you join our club.

At the June meeting Alice filled in for Carol and we thanked Ritva for doing such a nice job of teaching her class on carving and burning a wolf. She showed up early at the June meeting to teach the folks who wanted to learn how to paint in oils on their project. A few folks showed up early. Thanks again Ritva for doing the class.

At the end of the meeting we all wished Lenny Szack a farewell. Lenny and his wife are leaving for South Carolina where they had a house built and it was all set up and just waiting for them to move right in. Thanks to their daughter in law who went down ahead of them and moved all their belongings in for them. Lenny had been in the hospital for 10 days prior to their move so the family set up their new home for them. We wish them happiness in their new location and hope they come back to visit with us.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS, 2018**

Mike McCarthy Shore Bird Carver
Saturday August 25<sup>th</sup> 8:30 to 4:30
Birds: Yellow Legs or Willet
Mansfield Senior Center
303 Maple Rd., Mansfield, CT 06268
Price \$40
Talk to Emile Porierre!
Pay Mike the day of the seminar

# September 8, 2018 Woodcraft Open House

For any new Mystic members, this is an open house at the "Woodcraft Store" in Manchester on Spencer St. Our club usually sets up a table to promote the art of Woodcarving. Let Carol know if you want to attend. We bring our tools and our club table is set up and we just sit and chat and carve. It is a fun day. Last year they supplied a lunch of hamburgers and soda.

This will be their eighteenth open house.

This year they have a few new demonstrators coming and one or two new antique tool dealers. They will have the antique tools and a few of the demonstrators outside and the school gallery, Lie Nielsen hand tools, Woodturning and any other demonstrators who want to will be inside.

The event starts around 9 am and goes to about 3pm. You can set up anytime that morning- They will start setting up around 7:30am.

The key is to have a good time, make some new friends and to do something fun for the day. Hope you can make it.

We need to let Bob know if we are going to participate this year. We will discuss it at the July and August meetings.

Contact Warren Blessing: <a href="mailto:ctvalleywc@yahoo.com">ctvalleywc@yahoo.com</a>

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### October 5<sup>th</sup> – 8th

The Mystic Carvers Club's Woodcarver's Retreat in New England is being held over the Columbus Day weekend, October 5th - 8th, 2018 Information, pictures and the registration form are now available on the Club's website:

Dennis says there are about 60 people signed up so far. Get your applications in. Kathy Webster's class is full!

#### www.mysticcarvers.com

Any questions please contact Dennis Tormey at <a href="mailto:dtormey5519@earthlink.net">dtormey5519@earthlink.net</a> Carol Roffey at <a href="mailto:croffey@comcast.net">croffey@comcast.net</a>,

Please mail all applications to: Mystic Carvers Club, PO Box 71, Mystic, CT 06355

The club has a new supply of club hats, \$10. ea. WE also have long sleeve tee's 2XL \$20. Short sleeve 2XL \$15 and large short sleeve \$15. ea.

There were several club members who asked for the double XL sizes. See Ray Johnson if you want any of these articles.

Ray Johnson has reserved Fort Shantock Park for our <u>July 29 meeting</u> for our annual Club Picnic. Thanks Ray. 9:30 am bring your carving to work on and we will have a novice class.

The club will supply the hamburgers, hot dogs and rolls and drinks and all paper goods. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share.

Directions: From 395-Exit 9 (old 79A) on to 2A East, take first exit 1 (old 50) to 32 North. Left onto 32, at 3<sup>rd</sup> traffic light take a right onto Fort Shantock Rd., go 1.2 miles, park is on your left.

From Route 12, to Route 2A West, exit onto route 32, right at light, at 2<sup>nd</sup> traffic light take a right onto Fort Shantock Rd., go 1.2 miles, Park is on your left.

Green sign on street says "Welcome, you are entering Mohegan Indian Reservation"

#### **Carving Groups:**

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.

<u>Vernon Group:</u> 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.

<u>Columbia Group</u>: 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) <u>aataustin@hotmail.com</u> 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.

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 <a href="Nutmeg Wood Carving Club">Nutmeg Wood Carving Club</a> 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 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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, 1<sup>st</sup>. Sundays

Contact Leo Hein, Pres. 860-675-5473

The Following people have volunteered to keep the club activities moving:

President-Carol Roffey-croffey@comcast.net 860-228-0404

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

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

Secretary- Pat Anderson mrsbumble47@verizon.net

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

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

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

Show Chair - Ed Ertel, Carol Roffey, Diane Haberern

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

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

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 <a href="mailto:croffey@comcast.net">croffey@comcast.net</a>

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

2018 Project
Leaders
July- Chuck Larkins
Aug. Dennis
Tormey-Quilted
Christmas stocking
Sept. Mary Brown
and Jack Costello
The project will be a
new twist on the
cage and ball.
Oct. Ned Wilson
Nov. Hilaire Cote
Dec. Eugene Good