Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71 Mystic, CT 06355



January 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 January 27th 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 December 16, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Carol Roffey, club president.

Project Leader was Eugene Good. He carved a cute little Christmas mitten.. January's leader will be Elaine Clark

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

The following is a note that Dennis received from Ken St. Vincent thanking the club members who donated to his School fund at the RI Retreat in October. Sorry it is so small but I had to scan his note and put it in this Newsletter.:

Ken has asked for my help in passing on a note of thanks to carvers who attended the Oct. retreat.

This is in reference to an update in his efforts to raise funds to benefit The Meadowbrook Waldorf School devastated by fire in July.

" I would like to extend a truly heartfelt thanks to those who purchased spoons and made donations to my efforts. The monies raised surely exceeded my original expectations."

After meeting with the woodworking teacher at the school, we evaluated his needs, and with my suggestions, a list was compiled. What we decided would benefit the sixth grade spoon class, as well as his other grades and their projects.

The list included a 5 and a1/2 inch bench vise, a Langsner Froe, A Peter Galbert Easy Sharp Kit (for sharpening drawknives), (2) Mora Push Knives, (4) Deepwoods Ventures Spoon Knives, (2) Books, "Swedish Carving Techniques" by Wille Sundqvist and "Spoon" by Barn the Spoon, A Shave Horse donated by me, with the balance of monies to provide safety gloves, and lumber for constructing a modified shave horse.

Thanks to all to all who contributed to make this happen.

Thanks again. Sincerely, Ken St.Vincent

The annual Woodworkers show was held Jan 11, 12 and 13. Members who attended said the show was well attended. There was lots of interest in carving! Hopefully we will see some new faces show up at Mystic.





Carol at Mystic Booth

Duckboy. Ryan has agreed to teach at Mystic





Conn Woodcarvers,

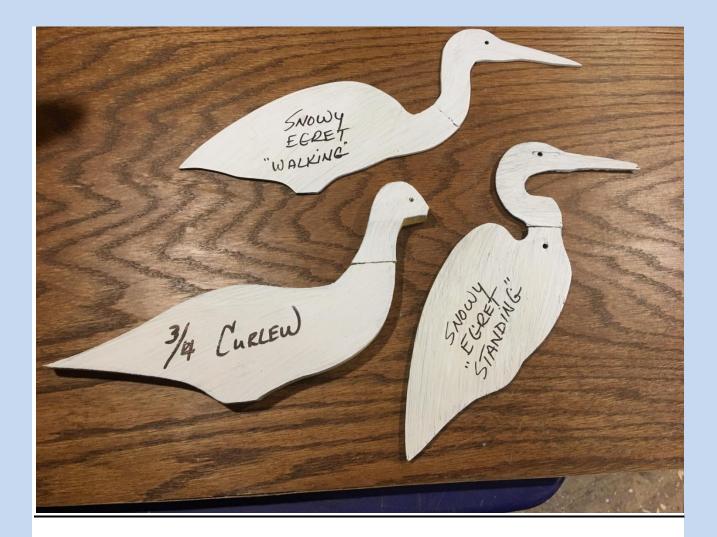
Thanks to all our Mystic Members who volunteered their weekend to promote our club.

Our Annual Woodcarvers Day Show will be on May 4th. 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: <u>spopowycz@gmail.com</u> Show applications at the end of this letter.

SEMINARS FOR 2019

MIKE MC CARTHY FEB. 9 (SNOW DATE FEB. 16)



We have two choices to pick from. You can either do a long billed curlew or a snowy egret. The egret would be standing or walking.

The price is \$35.00 for the class and \$15.00 for the roughout which includes the base, eyes and legs.

You need to let Hilaire know which bird you wish to do. <u>Hilaire will have a sign up sheet at the January meeting. nsduckhouse@yahoo.com</u>

> <u>Carousel Horse Carving Class</u> <u>March 9 and 10 and</u> <u>March 16 and 17</u> <u>\$300, plus \$30</u> <u>Contact Carol Roffey: croffey@comcast.net</u>

KATHY WEBSTER MAY 18 & 19

Contact: Alice: <u>carveral@sbcglobal.net</u> May 18 and 19. Price \$40

<u>Jim O'Dea</u> <u>Power carving a song bird</u> <u>May 6, 7, and maybe 8th.</u>

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.

Price ? Contact Carol Roffey:

CALENDAR OF EVENTS, 2019

February 9, snow date Feb 16: Mike McCarthy

March 9 and 10 and March 16 and 17: Carousel Horse Carving Class

May 4, Mystic's Annual Woodcarvers day, Columbia Sr. Center. Route 66, Columbia, ct

May 18 and 19 Kathy Webster, Bird Carver

Carving Groups:

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

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

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) <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.

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 doi:10.1011/linearity.com (doi:10.1011/linearity.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

<u>CWCA</u> 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

<u>Show Chairman: Provide leadership to ensure the May Show is run successfully.</u> Show Chair – Sheryl Popowycz, Carol Roffey, <u>spopowycz@gmail.com</u>

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 <u>croffey@comcast.net</u>

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

<u>Newsletter Distribution: On a monthly basis see that the club Newsletter is written, copied,</u> <u>addressed and mailed to those not receiving via email.</u> <u>Newsletter Editor & Distribution- Alice Mellor (860-450-9198) carveral@sbcglobal.net</u>

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:

Jan Elaine Clark Feb Ed Ertel Mar John Harris Apr Need volunteer 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