Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71 Mystic, CT 06355



August 2021

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.

Our next monthly meeting will be on August 29th, 2021 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.

The club's show and tell table is set up each month so bring your carvings to share with others.

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

Hello Fellow Club Members.

We met in July and had about 20 members attend our meeting.

Our novice leader was Wayne Smith. He had a number of different Love Spoons to choose from to carve. I'm sure we will see some beauties in August.

Thanks Wayne for volunteering to do the project.

Next Month's leader will be Steve Kensel doing a maple/oak? leaf dish.

It was suggested that in the future, because we are having trouble getting novice project leaders, that a project be good for two months. That way we can have a little more

challenging project. Members seemed to like that idea so for September and October Ed Ertel will be doing a small mountain man.

A motion was made and seconded for the club to donate \$500 to the Quiambaug Fire House for the use of the hall.

Carol asked if she could start the meetings for now on around 10:30 to 11:00 o'clock. That way the meetings are out of the way and folks can leave when ever if they have other things to do on a Sunday. It seemed to work out well at our July meeting.

Our meeting for September will be on the 26th.

Bob Vredenburg is home from the hospital. He had a triple bypass and will have a long recovery. He greatly enjoyed/appreciated receiving the signed card from The Mystic Carvers. Get well soon.

Carving Groups:

Mystic Woodcarvers Club: Last Sunday of each month, 10 to 1, at the Quiambaug Fire House, Old Stonington Rd. (off Route 1) Mystic, (See web site at: www.mysticcarvers.com) Carol Roffey, President: croffey@comcast.net 860-603-2449

<u>Danbury Group: Hat City Carvers</u> - Thursdays 12:30 to 3:00, 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 860-639-9802

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

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 They meet 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. erteled@yahoo.com

<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>

<u>Columbia Carvers</u>: Senior Center carving groups: Carving group meets weekly at the Columbia, CT senior center every Tues, 9:30am-11:30 - No age limit and 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 Blessing for info 860-742-3253.

<u>Farmington Valley Carvers:</u> Farmington Community and Senior Center, meetings every Monday from 10 to 12. Located on New Britain Rd., Unionville, 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

<u>Mansfield Misfit Woodcarvers</u>: 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 -Alice Mellor-carveral@sbcglobal.net 860-337-0194

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

Secretary-Dennis Tormey-dtormey5519@earthlink.net 860-337-0053

<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-Elaine Clark clarkbr9@aol.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 - Ben Anderson

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 (860-337-0194) 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

<u>Keeper of Members names and email address: Maintain members names, addresses and email addresses.</u> Warren Blessing: (860-742-3253

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

Novice projects:

August-Steve Kensel-Maple Leaf Nut Dish

September-October, Ed Ertel, Hill Billy Caricature

November-Hilaire?

December-

We need more volunteers for Novice projects. Remember, you get your dues paid for a year if you teach a project.