

# Mystic Carvers Club

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



January 2020

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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.

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Our next monthly meeting will be on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 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 your carvings to share with others.

**Check out our Web Site. @ [www.mysticcarvers.com](http://www.mysticcarvers.com)**

**Happy  
New Year!**

This month's Project leader will be John Harris

Thank you Mary Brown for sharing your project with the club members last month!

It is with deep sorrow that I have to tell you that our dear friend, Roger Chabot, passed away recently. We were lucky to have Roger visit us at our Christmas party this past month. We send his family our deepest sympathy.

At the December meeting, which was our annual Christmas luncheon, yum!, Carol talked about the annual Woodworkers Weekend in Mass at the Eastern States Building in Springfield which will be held Jan . 10, 11 and 12. Mystic Carvers Club will have 2 tables set up to represent our club and to show and tell some of our carvings and to promote our club and what we are all about. Many members have signed up to go so let's give them a good showing of what we do.

At the November's meeting Carol and Dennis discussed the Rhode Island Retreat. It was a big success this past October. Next year's Retreat will be at a new location. Enders Island! The dates will be September 18, 19, 20 and 21.

Here is a little note about the Retreat from Dennis and Carol:

Hello Fellow Woodcarvers!

Okay, here's the latest info' on the next Retreat.

By now you know that the dates and venue have changed.

It'll be Sept. 18th - 21st, 2020 on Enders Island in Mystic, CT.

The setting is beautiful, the food fantastic and the price has gone up!  
(Though not as much as Canonicus had imposed for this year!)

The price, for commuters, is \$240, that's \$20 more than last year.

The price for those staying overnights with us is \$360, or roughly \$20 more per day than last year.

This includes all meals from Friday's Dinner through Monday's Lunch, all of your Instructions, and three nights accommodations.

We hope that you can all follow us to this new venue and that the Retreat has finally found a permanent home.

Dennis Tormey and Carol Roffey

If anyone knows of any carving events that they would like to share with the club, please send your notice to Alice @ [carveral@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carveral@sbcglobal.net) so she can add it to the Newsletter.

## **Seminars for 2010**

### **Mike McCarthy Shore Bird**

February 1, 2020, 9 to 5

Backup date, Feb. 8th

Resting Antique Yellow Legs or Standing Yellow Legs

One will be resting and one standing. The cost will be \$50 including the roughout. Please see Hilaire to sign [up.nsduckhouse@yahoo.com](mailto:up.nsduckhouse@yahoo.com) and pay at the January meeting.

Hilaire said there are less than 20 folks signed up. He would like to have more members in the class. Please talk to Hilaire with any questions.

## **2020 EVENTS**

May 9<sup>th</sup>

Mystic Woodcarvers Annual Show  
Columbia Senior Center

It's renewal time. Please get your dues in soon. Thanks!  
You can mail them to the address at the top of this Newsletter or  
give them to Hilaire at the January meeting.



## **Carving Groups:**

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

**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](mailto:erteled@yahoo.com)

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

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 along:**  
The club members thank you for your endless dedication and help!

**President-Carol** [croffey@comcast.net](mailto:croffey@comcast.net) 860-603-2449

**Vice President –Ed Ertel** [erteled@yahoo.com](mailto:erteled@yahoo.com) 860-875-6187

**Treasurer-Ben Anderson** (860-536-1762) [bander063@live.com](mailto: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](mailto:mbrown06239@gmail.com)

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

**Show Chair – Sheryl Popowycz, Carol Roffey,** [spopowycz@gmail.com](mailto:spopowycz@gmail.com)

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

**Retreat Coordinators -Dennis Tormey** [dtormey5519@earthlink.net](mailto:dtormey5519@earthlink.net) 860-337-0053  
& Carol Roffey [croffey@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:nsduckhouse@yahoo.com)

**Website Coordinator: Dennis Tormey & Carol Roffey** [croffey@comcast.net](mailto: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:

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January – John Harris

February – Ed Ertel

March – Steve Kensel

April – Pat Andersen

May – Elaine Clark

June – Carl Jerard

July – Dennis Tormey

August – Eugene Good

September – Dennis Taylor

October – Ned Wilson

November – Hilaire Cote

December – Bob Vredenburg