# Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71 Mystic, CT 06355



August 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 August 26, 2018 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

Thanks to Project Leader Chuck Larkin for teaching an Eagles head project. Some folks left with it all done and sealed. Thanks Chuck for your lesson and for working with two new carvers. Landon and Bob, welcome to Mystic Carvers Club.
The project leader for August will be Dennis Tormey carving a Quilted Christmas stocking. Start thinking Christmas Ornaments and gifts for those Grandkids.

The July meeting, which was held at Fort Shantock, with about 25 folks attending, we voted and passed the vote to donate \$500 to the Quimbaug Fire Station again this year. We are very fortunate that we have the fire house to hold our monthly meetings.

We also discussed purchasing new 8' plastic tables to start replacing the old wooden ones that we now use at our meetings. The wood ones are all falling apart and are really too heavy to carry. We will be discussing more about this at the September meeting. (Carol will not be at the August meeting due to family visiting from Florida).

The club would like to thank Hilaire so much for bringing his Grill and tables to the picnic and for cooking. Great job! The burgers and dogs were perfect.

Thanks to Carol and Arlene for buying all the picnic supplies. Good Job. And, of course thanks to all who brought food and made the picnic such a huge success. Everything was delicious.

# **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 22nd White Memorial Nature Day 2000 visitors Walking Sticks

September 22nd Open House Woodcraft & New England Woodworking School

September 29th Parkerville Wood Products Open House Manchester CT Saturday, September 29th, 2018, 8 am to 3 pm

They will be holding their **4th Annual Open House** at their shop. Save this date and stay tuned for updates.

### 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.

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Center
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Mansfield, CT 06268
Yellow Legs
Or Willet
Price \$40

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>

## 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

IF ANYONE HAS ANY EVENTS THEY WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO THIS CALENDAR PLEASE SEND ME AN EMAIL WITH THE EVENT AND DATE AND CONTACT PERSON to: carveral@sbcglobal.net.

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.

Hope to see you all at the August meeting.

#### **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

<u>Mansfield Misfit Woodcarvers</u>: Meet Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 Contact Emile Poirier, 860-487-2685 <u>poirieremile@yahoo.com</u>
<u>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
<u>CWCA\_Ct Forest & Park, Middlefield, CT (old rte 66) 10 to 2, 1<sup>st</sup>. Sundays</u></u>

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

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 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

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) <a href="mailto:carveral@sbcglobal.net">carveral@sbcglobal.net</a>

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

2018 Project Leaders 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