

Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71
Mystic, CT 06355



January 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 January 28, 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

The Project Leader for January will be Ed Ertel. Have fun!

Request: Please remember to bring single dollar bills to class so leaders will not have to make change. Thank you!

No December Minutes !

Bob Vredenburg does not plan to run for President. Elections should be at the Jan meeting. Alice Mellor will not be Vice President next year.

Mary Brown plans to sell her house and move. We will need a new Project Leader.

At the November meeting:

Ed Ertel discussed the “37th Annual Woodcarvers Day”. The date will be May 5, 2018 at the Beckish Senior Center on Route 66 in Columbia, CT

Folks can start bringing their competition pieces in (registration) at 8 AM till 9:30 AM. Show opens to the public at 10. Judging will be going on from 9:30 AM till the judges have completed their work. (11). Entries will remain at the hall until 3 PM. If you want to enter a piece but cannot stay till 3 please have someone pick up your piece at 3 for you.

We will have vendors selling and showing their carvings, we will have our usual competition tables (so get your carvings ready). There will be food available. Right now for the early birds we will have breakfast sandwiches and coffee and for lunch there will be dogs and burgers. (Menu can change?)

Mary has offered to do a drawing and will be looking for donations to help her make some baskets so please talk to her if you wish to help.

Ed talked about maybe having a table set up for members to do carving demos for the public and maybe having some simple projects for young children to do. Any volunteers?

Contact person: Diane Haberer



diane8050@yahoo.com

REMINDER!!!!!!! MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE AT THIS TIME. PLEASE GET THEM IN THIS MONTH IF YOU CAN. THANKS.....

Seminars for 2018

Mike McCarthy
February 10, 2018
Quianbaug Fire House.
Green Heron

Cost is \$40 which includes the Rough out.

CONTACT HILAIRE COTE nsduckhouse@yahoo.com

The date is February 10th with snow date February 17th at the Quiambaug firehouse. We're doing a Green Heron. Cost is \$40.00 which includes the roughout, base, legs and glass eyes.

He can have it with a short or long neck, standing on 1 or 2 legs and mouth open or closed.

For the signup sheet we only need to know if you want the longer neck or short neck!

Seminars cont.
Ritva Autio, Relief Carving
June 2018

Date and Cost-To be announced

Contact: Carol Roffey: croffey@comcast.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS, 2018

FEBRUARY 10- MIKE MCCARTHY GREEN HERON
CONTACT HILAIRE COTE NSDUCKHOUSE@YAHOO.COM

MAY 5TH - 37TH ANNUAL WOODCARVERS DAY
DIANE HABERER-diane8050@yahoo.com

JUNE- ?- RITVA AUTIO, RELIEF CARVING-WOLF
artaudio@yahoo.com

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.

WOODCARVERS RETREAT IN NEW ENGLAND

Hello Fellow Carvers! As we are sure you know by now there was no Woodcarvers Retreat in New England in 2017. We lost our previous venue and spent time this summer searching for another one. The next Retreat, sponsored by the Mystic Carvers Club, will be held at **Camp Canonicus, 54 Exeter Rd., Exeter, Rhode Island 02822.**

- The dates are Friday, October 5th to Monday, October 8th, 2018.
- The projected price is \$295.00 and includes all meals from Friday's dinner through Monday's lunch, bed rooms (real beds!) accommodating 3 - 4 people per room and your classroom instructions.

- Our Instructors will be returning (Carl Borst, Mike Bloomquist, Harold Kaltenbach, Rick O'Coin, Kathy Webster, Ken St. Vincent, Warren Blessing, Randy Russo, Edsel Johnson & Gary Filliault.) Tool sharpeners Leon & Delores Standish will also be there.
- Individual projects have not been determined yet. Please check our website www.mysticcarvers.com and/or our Face book site Mystic Woodcarvers in 2018 for updates. Registration forms will be available by April of next year. We will also send out more information as it is available. Thank you for your past participation and looking forward to seeing you all next Columbus Day weekend. Dennis Tormey & Carol Roffey, Retreat Coordinators

The January meeting is on January 28th.

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.

Vernon Group: 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.

Columbia Group: 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) ataustin@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

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 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:
President –Bob Vredenburg-(401-377-4615) bobvredenburg@verizon.net

Vice President Alice Mellor (860-450-9198) carveral@sbcglobal.net

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 Chairman –Diane Haberer-(860-572-8440)diane8050@yahoo.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 - 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 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
Jan Ed Ertel
Feb Pat Anderson
Mar John Harris
Apr Ken St.Vincent
May –Marty Sprock,
Jim Dutton
June Emile Porierre
and Lenny Szack
July Chuck Larkins
Aug Dennis Tormey
Sept Carl Jerard
Oct Ned Wilson
Nov Hilaire Cote
Dec Eugene Good

