Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71 Mystic, CT 06355



November 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 November 18, 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 last Mystic Club meeting was held on October 28, 2018. The meeting was called to order around 12:30 by Carol Roffey, club president.

Meeting adjourned around 1 pm.

Project Leader was Ned Wilson doing a Snowman ornament. Just in time for Christmas. Good choice. Thanks Ned

November's project will be an Angel by Hilaire Cote.

Just a reminder to all our club members! It is time to start thinking about 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

Notes from the October meeting:

Dennis gave a review of the retreat, mostly favorable reviews and we finished slightly ahead financially which is good because that money will go towards next year's retreat.

Ray Johnson brought 2 binders of old chip carving magazines. They will be added to the library. Every edition includes a pattern.

Talk to Bob Arpin if you wish to sign out ANY books from our library. New carvers, these books could be of help to you.

The" Woodworking Show" in Mass at the Eastern States buildings will be in January. We are looking for someone to coordinate that. Talk to Carol if you could take on this responsibility.

At the meeting the members discussed classes for next year:

Hilaire will set up a class with Mike McCarthy for February.

Alice is contacting Kathy Webster and Jessie O'Brien to see if they will come back to teach a class. Jim O'Dea will give a power carving class in May. Carol will have a signup sheet at the November meeting.

Ceil Rossi, a wonderful gourd carver, will come to Mystic for a one day class. Carol will have a signup sheet for that class also.

Carol will purchase one 6 foot table from BJ's if it is not raining, and bring to the meeting to see if that will be acceptable as a replacement for our old wooden tables. If it is then she will purchase more in the future.

We will be having our annual Christmas party on December 16 this year.

The club will buy a cold cut tray from Big Y as usual. In order to buy the right amount it will be necessary to RSVP to the party at the November meeting. IF you are not going to be at the Nov. meeting but will be coming to the Christmas party then simply send Carol (croffey@comcast.net) An email to let her know you will be planning on attending and if you will be bringing someone. Also, include what you would like to bring. A desert or a side dish!

We need a head count this year. We usually buy way too much food.

The club has a new supply of club hats, \$10 each. We also have long sleeve tee's 2XL \$20. Short sleeve 2XL \$20 and large short sleeve \$15 each. Club patches for \$5 each.

See Ray Johnson if you want any of these articles.

They make great Christmas gifts.

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. He will send me photos and patterns for us to look at.

Hilaire will have a sign up sheet at the November meeting. nsduckhouse@yahoo.com

KATHY WEBSTER SOMETIME IN APRIL OR MAY

MORE INFO IN THE SPRING

Our next club meeting will be on November 18. A week prior to our normal last weekend.!



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

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

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 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

<u>Carving Coordinator: Recruit members to lead a carving project at each monthly meeting:</u> 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) 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:

November
Hilaire Cote:
Angel
Dec. Eugene Good:
Mitten Christmas
Ornament

2019:

Jan Elaine Clark
Feb Ed Ertel
Mar John Harris
Apr Alice Mellor
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