

# Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71  
Mystic, CT 06355



October 2022

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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 October 30, 2022** at the Quiambaug 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](http://www.mysticcarvers.com)**

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Hello Fellow Carvers,

The September meeting was attended by 20 members.

The project leader was Mary Brown, thankyou Mary. She taught a carving called Moon Village.

The project leader for October will be Ned Wilson. He will be doing a Woodpecker back scratcher. Thanks for volunteering Ned.

Hilaire will be doing the November project.

It will be a Santa or gnome.

Dennis Tormey talked about the Retreat held at Enders Island this year.

1. 31 Carvers, 5 classes, 7 instructors
2. Enders Island-great place to spend a 4 day weekend in August. Good Food!  
Great accomodations, fortunately so few overnigheters that everyone had their own room. Pretty nice!!!
3. Raised over \$600 from the raffle and wood auction
4. Last year that Carol and Dennis will be running this retreat---Too stressful getting enough carvers to attend to meet payroll and pay bills.
5. Linda Zibbideo from CWCA and Darin Boehn from NEWC interested in picking up the mantle to run future retreats.
6. Looking for a member from Mystic Club to assist:

Find location

Arrange for instructors

Set a fee that will pay the bills

Serve as liaison with facility

Manage retreat operations

Advertise

Send out registrations

**A GREAT BIG THANKS TO CAROL AND DENNIS FOR PUTTING ON THE RETREAT AGAIN THIS YEAR. WE ALL KNOW HOW HARD AND STRESSFUL THIS ONE WAS.**

**GREAT JOB AND YOU ARE RELEASED FROM YOUR DUTIES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Thanks to Dennis and Carol for raising over \$600 for Tony Baccalari's wife from the sale of his tools.

Dennis also finished a carving that Tony had started and never finished, for Mrs Baccalari, so she could paint it.

Thanks guys for doing all that work. That was very nice of you. Also, thanks to Ed Ertel for being the auctioneer at the meetings. Good Job!

At the September meeting, Dennis talked about the Spirit of Wood Show in Mass on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> but by the time this letter went out it was over. Thanks to our members who attended and represented our club at their show.

At the September meeting Mary Brown and Chuck Larkin presented "Quilts of Valor" to veterans: Eugene Good, Hilaire Cote and Bill Rivero in gratitude for their years of military service.

Thank you Eugene, Hilaire and Bill.

And thanks to Chuck and Mary for all their hard work on the quilts. I believe Mary made the quilts. That was a lot of work!

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### **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](http://www.mysticcarvers.com)) Carol Roffey, President: [croffey@comcast.net](mailto:croffey@comcast.net) 860-603-2449

**Danbury Group: Hat City Carvers** - 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](mailto: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](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 and no fees. Call Art Austin (860-228-3395) [aataustin@hotmail.com](mailto:aataustin@hotmail.com) for information.

**Farmington Valley Carvers:** Farmington Community and Senior Center, meetings every Monday from 10 to 12. Located on New Britain Rd., Unionville, Fridays from 10-12:

**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. 860-675-54

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 –Alice [Mellor-carveral@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Mellor-carveral@sbcglobal.net) 860-337-0194

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

Secretary-Dennis [Tormey-dtormey5519@earthlink.net](mailto:Tormey-dtormey5519@earthlink.net) 860-337-0053

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-Elaine Clark [clarkbr9@aol.com](mailto:clarkbr9@aol.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 – 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](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)

Keeper of Members names and email address: Maintain member's names, addresses and email addresses. Warren Blessing: (860-742-3253

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

Novice projects:  
Please talk to  
Elaine if you can be  
a leader.

October: Ned Wilson  
November: Hilaire Cote

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