

Mystic Carvers Club

P. O. Box 71

Mystic, CT 06355



May 2023

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.

Our next monthly meeting will be on May 21th (due to Memorial Day on the 29th) at the Quiambaug Fire House 50 Old Stonington Rd. Stonington, CT. The Fire House will be open at 9:00 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

The April meeting was attended by around 20 members, Thanks for attending.

Mike McCarthy will be doing a bird carving class on May 6 so let's see some little birds on the show and tell table this month.

Warren Blessing, remember him? has offered to do a flat plain carving class. Let Carol know if you are interested. If enough interest then she will let Warren know and they can choose a date.

Upcoming Events:

October 15, 2023 - Spirit Of Wood: Show to be held at the Peabody Massachusetts Senior Center. Small entry fee. Everyone that enters gets a ribbon. Check our website for more info.

September 15-18, 2023 - Woodcarver's Retreat - to be held in Litchfield, Connecticut. Approximate cost is \$450.00 per person for room and board, plus instructor fees to be determined. Information will be on the Mystic Woodcarvers website. Registration begins April 1, 2023. All questions to Linda Zibidou (spelling).

Tom Braish will lead the novice group in **May**. He will be doing a Fish.

For the price, carvers will have the choice of pine for \$3 or basswood for \$5.

It'll be the wood plus one clear eye and a printout with pictures.

I can stay as late as needed. I was thinking perhaps we can stay until 3 pm and finish the project by then (so 9 am-3 pm). Not sure if everyone can stay for this. Bring a lunch.



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) Carol Roffey, President: croffey@comcast.net 860-603-2449

Danbury Group: Hat City Carvers - 2nd and 4th Thursdays 12:30 to 3:00, Danbury Sr. Center 10 Elmwood Place, Danbury, CT 06810. 1st and 3rd Thursday, 12 to 3PM, Lapham Community Center, New Canaan, Contact: Dennis Taylor, dennistaylor@optonline.net

Enders Island Group: Meets each Tuesday from 9 to 2 Contact: Ray Johnson, 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) 748-6201. . erteled@yahoo.com

Canterbury, CT Finnish American Heritage Society: Route 169 (North of Route 14) Wednesday Afternoon, 1-4 PM Contact John Harris johnharrisct@yahoo.com

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 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:

Wethersfield 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: Mansfield Senior Center, 303 Maple Road, Storrs-Mansfield, CT 06268, 860-429-0262

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. Newcomers welcome. Contact: ED Ertel- 860-748-6201 erteled@yahoo.com

Middlefield: CWCA Ct Forest & Park, Middlefield, CT (old rte 66) 10 to 2, 1st. Sundays
Contact Leo Hein, Pres. 860-675-541 www.ctwoodcarvers.org

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 860-603-2449

Vice President –Alice Mellor-carveral@sbcglobal.net 860-337-0194

Treasurer-Ben Anderson bander063@live.com (860-536-1762)

Secretary-Dennis 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

Retreat Coordinator: -Dennis Tormey dtormey5519@earthlink.net 860-337-0053

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

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

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

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

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.**

May & June Tom – Fish, Marlin
July and Aug, Denis, Eagle

We need more volunteers for Novice projects so please talk to Elaine about being a project leader.

Remember, you will not get your dues paid for any longer like in the past but what we suggest is that you charge a dollar or two more for your project to cover the cost of your dues.

We really appreciate your effort for teaching a class.

Thank you!