

*THE CONNECTICUT
WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION*

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We need a new officers for the club. Our elections are in the spring. If you are able to step up and help the club, please see Leo at our next meeting.

Come see our new website at www.Ctwoodcarvers.org or contact us at

ctwoodcarver@gmail.com

CWCA is on Facebook: Our address is....

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Connecticut-Wood-Carvers-Association/405551016193696>

Membership: New or renewal. Complete the form, cut on the line, and mail

Current Members: Please don't forget dues are \$15 and run from January 1st to December 31st. Make checks to C. W. C. A. and return to membership chairperson.

_____ Renewal Membership

_____ New Member

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Remember that membership makes a great gift!

Please mail to our membership director or renew at the meeting.

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EVENTS CALENDAR 2016:

Our meetings are open carving sections. You are welcome to come to work on your own project or try our novice project we try to have every month. EVERYONE is always welcome – individuals and families with children age 10 or older. If you wish to introduce a child less than 10 years old, please contact us ahead of time for tips and projects. Please bring your carving knife. The novice projects are fun for all.

Our monthly meetings are Sunday's 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield

CWCA Events

February 7: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Valentine theme – Grant Lauer

February 12, 13 & 14, 2016: Elements of Nature Art Show Carving Demonstration, see demo section

March 6: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Mask – Bob McVety We are also having our elections for officers.

April 3: Train Show demonstration

April 3: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Relief Flower - Linda Syphers

April 16: Walking Stick demonstration, Flanders Nature Center.

May 1: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – walking sticks – club project

May 21: Farm Days, carving demonstration, Flanders Nature Center.

June 4: CWCA Annual Show (see below)

July TBD: Annual picnic

July 16: Fairie Fest Demonstration Flanders Nature Center

September 11th (late meeting due to Labor Day 9/4): CWCA Monthly Meeting: Project – Bell birds – Michael Audette

October 3 / November 6 / December 4: tbd projects

We need your ideas on what you want us to demonstrate so we can help you!

Our Club's Demonstration Events

February 12, 13 & 14, 2016: **Elements of Nature Art Show Carving Demonstration**, Hosted by the Northeast Sportsman's Expo: We have been asked to display again at the Hartford Convention Center.

<http://www.fishinghuntingshow.com/tickets.cfm>

April 3, 2016: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 7th annual Mark T. Sheehan High School Model Train Show. We have been asked to demonstrate at the show. 142 Hope Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492. Please contact Leo if you can be there so he can provide a list of attendees. Adults \$6 / Senior \$5 / Youth (5-7) \$1. Phyllis Drescher 203-265-0223 jpdrescher@comcast.net
<http://www.modeltrainshow.com/2009/03/connecticut-train-shows.html>

April 16, 2015: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Walking Stick Demonstration, Flanders Nature Center, Bethlehem/Woodbury: We have been asked to display walking sticks and promote use of the walking trails.

May 21, 2015: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Farm Days, Carving Demonstration, Flanders Nature Center, Bethlehem/Woodbury: We have been asked to display with the rest of the displays.

July 16th Fairy Fest – Flanders Nature Center demonstration. We will be displaying with a wizard or fantasy theme. We will also be providing a wand give away!

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The Wood Working Show Demonstration:

Thank you for those who were able to brave the weather and make it to the event. The Show provided us with some soap and we were able to provide both our normal demonstration and soap carving to some kids who attended on Saturday and Sunday. The Show was so happy they are going to give us better billing in the main advertising for 2017!



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Spring Demonstrations:

Train Show Demonstration: April 3, 2016: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 7th annual Mark T. Sheehan High School Model Train Show. We have been asked to demonstrate at the show. 142 Hope Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492. Please contact Leo if you can be there so he can provide a list of attendees. Adults \$6 / Senior \$5 / Youth (5-7) \$1. Phyllis Drescher 203-265-0223 jpdrescher@comcast.net <http://www.modeltrainshows.com/2009/03/connecticut-train-shows.html>

**Walking Stick Demonstration – April 16, 10:00a to 4:00p: and
Farm Days Open Carving Session with a Chain Saw Demonstration
– May 21, 10:00a to 4:00p:**

**Flanders Fairy and Woodland Wizards Festival at Flanders Nature
Center – July 16: 10:00 a to 4:00 p:**

Flanders Nature Center, 5 Church Hill Road, Woodbury, CT, Flanders Nature Center, Woodbury. Come down and demonstrate any piece you want to carve and See below.

<http://www.flandersnaturecenter.org/> We are looking for:

- We need a minimum of 5 to 7 carvers to make all of these a successful event and to demonstrate carving.
- Both are open carving sessions and demonstration All carvers are invited. The more the merrier. Please bring examples, any theme. The April event is a walking stick demonstration and we ask that you bring walking sticks. July is a fairy or wizard theme.
- Even if you don't carve, please come out to support the club and enjoy the Nature Center.
- You can sell if you want. 10% commission to the Center as a fund raiser if you sell.

Please contact Mike Audette at 860-388-7874, maude22070@aol.com, or if you can be there.

Collecting Walking Sticks: For those of you who are brave enough to walk through the snow or who have snow shoes, we need to harvest sticks for our upcoming events.



Thank you also to the CT DEEP who issue us the permit to collect the sticks. This collaboration helps the Forestry Division in their mission to preserve the forest and we are able to get materials to teach others. We may also have a boy scout troop help us.

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Race for the Woods: Sponsored by the CFPA. Sessions Woods Wildlife Management Area, Burlington, CT: Saturday in September. The CFPA asked us to come and demonstrate again this year at this event. Again this year, the Club is donating walking sticks to the CFPA for the winners of the race. We are looking for other carvers to help with sticks and demonstrators for this year's event. We need 5 sticks for the event. Please use a nature theme.

Membership List Sharing

We have been asked by other members for a membership list so they know who to contact and who the fellow members are. We WILL NOT make this list available to outside vendors or for marketing purposes! This is only for other members and will be given on request. If you wish to be EXCLUDED please contact Mark, our Membership Director, before the January meeting when copies will be distributed to those who ask.



SCOUT TROOP DEMONSTRATIONS:

All of the troops have always been very grateful to our volunteers for coming down and demonstrating to the Scouts. We review knife safety and care then showed them how to sharpen using popsicle sticks. We have soap that was donated for scouts during the 2015 ConnJam. We had one at the meeting in December and one on Friday January 8th.



Carve Ins:

We are looking for other times and dates for a social carving day! This is a great time to sit, carve and socialize. Lots of fun!! Plan on being inside or outside depending on where we meet. If you wish to host, please let us know at any of our next meetings and / or contact us at the ctwoodcarvers@gmail.com.

January 2016 Monthly Meeting: Thank you Linda for conducting our class this month.



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17th Annual Wood Carving Show and Sale
Saturday, June 4, 2016, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.*



*Carving, competition, demonstrations, supplies, sales and
guided tours at the
New England Carousel Museum
95 Riverside Avenue (Route 72)
Bristol, CT 06010,
860-585-5411*

Entries will be accepted from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. when the judging will begin.

Rain or Shine

*Adults - \$6.00, Seniors - \$5.00, Children Age 4 to 14 - \$2.50 (updated museum
admission) Competition Registration is a per piece fee & includes admission.*

Please pass on to anyone you know. This is our annual showcase come in and enjoy

*We are looking for volunteers to help set up and break down for the show. Show
set up will begin on Friday at 12:30 p.m. Final set up will commence at 6:00 a.m.
until the show starts at 10:00 a.m. with final set up of the displays and assisting
the vendors.*

*Many thanks and heartfelt appreciation to everyone for your assistance and
entries. Without your help we would not have this wonderful event.*

The museum installed a new carousel last year! Please come and support them.

DEMONSTRATIONS AND SEMINARS THIS YEAR!!

Wood burning classes

Face carving classes

Chain Saw Carving

All clubs will be demonstrating techniques and carvings.

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