

*THE CONNECTICUT
WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION*

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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: _____

We are currently collecting 2014 dues!! Please mail to our membership director or renew at the meeting.

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EVENT CALENDAR 2013/2014:

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.

January 5: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **FIRST Sunday** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield. **Project** – Wood burning by Linda Syphers. Please bring your own wood burning tools. She will not have enough to share.

January 10-12: The Wood Working Show: The Big E – www.thewoodworkingshows.com We need carvers to come and demonstrate. We will be demonstrating with the Mystic Wood Carvers. Please contact Mark if you can make it so we can add your name on the list. If you DO NOT you will be charged admission. There is still a minor charge for parking. A minimum of two hours of demonstration time is required to get admission.

February 2: CWCA Monthly Meeting: Saturday 12 n. to 4 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield. **Project** – Hearts by Grant Lauer

February 8: Annual New England Carousel Museum Chocolate Show: Saturday 12 n. to 4 p.m., Riverside Avenue, Bristol. We have been invited to demonstrate at this event. We will be displaying our craft in support of the Museum. Admission is as posted on the museum website. **Admission will be charged.** For more info contact: <https://www.facebook.com/CarouselMuseum>



February 14, 15 & 16 2014: Elements of Nature Art Show Carving Demonstration, Hosted by the 17th Annual Northeast Fishing & Hunting Show: We have been asked to display again at the Hartford Convention Center. Details at www.fishinghuntingshow.com

Tentative: Walking stick program with Wesleyan University (February 8/9 or March 1/2 or April 5/6) One of three. We won't know until after 1/1. Tentatively, the students may trek into woods on the first days carve on second day. All weekends. This is a "Keep dates open" note. We are verifying with Wesleyan and CFPA. At Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT.

March 2: CWCA Monthly Meeting: Sunday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield. **Project** – Horse's head

April 6: CWCA Monthly Meeting: Sunday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield. **Project** – Face carving by Ernie Hill

May 4: CWCA Monthly Meeting: Sunday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield. **Project** – Open carving or a walking sticks (tentative)

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Thanks to Marigrace Larke, the novice projects for 2014 have been scheduled,

June 7th: Annual Show and Sale at the Carousel Museum (**Saturday**)

July 5th annual mystic show

July 6th: Picnic at Gary Gemino's place

August: CWCA not in session

September 7th: Halloween pumpkin by Joe Kelleher (**first Sunday due to the holiday being early**)

October 5th: Polynesian Island mask by Bob McVety

November 2nd: Surprise by Jim Mueller

December 7th: Christmas theme by Mark Austin

The novice projects are fun for all. We hope you all enjoyed the meeting and we look forward to seeing all of you at future meetings and events. If you are just a beginner, pick up a set of xacto knives at a local hardware store or auto parts store. This is a very inexpensive way to try wood carving.

Other Club's Events

We are trying to promote other clubs and they will be promoting us so we can spread the craft we love so much to as many people as possible who want to learn. If you would like to carve more, here are some other locations and times.

Hat City Carvers: When Thursday 12:30 pm to 3 pm every week. Where: Danbury Senior Center, Elmwood Hall, 10 Elmwood Place, Danbury CT. Current project: Bookworm (book with a worm sticking head out either side). call 203-746-1544 or contact Martin Sprock, mjsindbyct@yahoo.com for information and directions

Green Mountain Wood Carvers: They meet in various locations in Vermont. Meetings are on the second Saturday of the month. <http://greenmountainwoodcarvers.org/>

Mystic Carvers Club: When: Last Sunday of every month. Where: Quiambaug Fire House 50 Old Stonington Rd. Stonington, CT. Please see their website <http://mysticcarvers.com>

Nutmeg Wood Carvers: Wethersfield Art League, Little Red School House: Route 175, Wethersfield CT, Exit 24 off I-91, Thursdays 12:30-3 p.m. Contact 203-248-4143

Enders Island Group: Meets each Tuesday from 9 to 2 Contact: Ray Johnson, wcvray@hotmail.com

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: Small carving groups meet weekly at the Columbia, CT senior center every Tues, 9:30am-12 - No age limit, no fees. Call Al Gray (860-228-3465) for information .OR Dennis Tormey (860-456-0768)

Rocky Hill: 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, CT. Contact Dave Freese 860-673-2154 or John Hayes, jhayesghs@comcast.net

Milford Woodcarvers meet the second Wed. and the last Thurs. of each month at 35 Mathews St. Milford. For more information contact: Bill Brill 203-878-1999

Simsbury -Woodcarving group meets on Fridays from 9AM to noon at Eno Hall in the center of Simsbury CT. First Friday of every month there is a main meeting of all members. For more information contact Dick Burns at 860-651-4230

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SCOUT TROOP REQUEST:

A local scouting troop is requesting our help in teaching the boys knife safety and how to do some soap carving. Mark will be running the class for the Bears, and he just needs help with the boys during the actual carving. The class is scheduled for a Wednesday in January (either the 8th or 22th) at 6:00 p.m. to meet and the class with the boys starts at 6:30 p.m. The class is at the Church of St. Anthony of Padua, West Street in Litchfield. If you can donate two hours, please contact Mark Austin, he is coordinating. (miaustin@snet.net)



Walking Staff Project: Many of you have blanks for our walking stick project. We are looking for the carved portions to be returned so we may assemble the walking stick and prepare it for donation. Thank you for those of you who have been able to drop those off and those yet to submit one or more.

REQUEST FOR DEMONSTRATIONS:

Carousel Museum is looking for carvers **after March 1st** who are willing to demonstrate carving and add to the interest in the horses. They are looking for carvers on the weekends typically from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or noon to 4 p.m. Even a couple of hours would be helpful. Please contact the Carousel Museum if you can volunteer some time and they will be able to answer any questions.

December Meeting – Christmas Ornaments:

