

My fellow woodcarvers,  
 The March meeting we will be holding elections for club officers. We are looking for anyone who wants to step up and be a part of the leadership of the club. We will also be looking for input about the Show Flyer, so please bring your suggestions to the meeting.

Looking forward to better weather!

Leo.... Mr. President



Connecticut Woodcarvers Association  
**Woodcarving & Art Show & Sale**  
 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Show- Sat, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 10am-4pm  
 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Show- Sat, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

**NEW ENGLAND CAROUSEL MUSEUM**  
 95 Riverside Avenue, Bristol CT 06010  
 info@thecarouselmuseum.org 860-585-5411  
 Offering guided tours & carousel rides  
 Admission: \$6 Adult, \$3.50 Ages 4-14  
 Indoor Event- Rain or Shine

**Carving Competition**  
 Open to carvers of all ages  
 Submit Entries between 8-10 am  
 -Wildlife: Fin, Fur & Feather  
 -Caricature -Chip Carving -Sculpture  
 -Abstract- Utility- Chainsaw  
 Carving in the Round- Relief Carving

**Art Show Competition**  
 Open to artist of all ages  
 Submit Entries between 8-10 am  
 Painting- Acrylic, Oil & Watercolor-Wood Burning  
 Drawing, Printmaking & Digital Media

Connecticut Woodcarvers Association  
 2017 Monthly meetings: Sundays 10am - 2pm  
 Jan 8<sup>th</sup> Apr 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Feb 5<sup>th</sup> May 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Mar 5<sup>th</sup> Sep 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>

at: Connecticut Forest and Park  
 16 Meriden Road, Rockfall CT 06481  
 (Route 66 between Meriden & Middletown)

**2017 Upcoming Events:**  
 April Flanders Nature Center- Walking Stick Demo  
 May Monson Massachusetts Carving Show  
 June Flanders Nature Center- Farm Days  
 July Flanders Nature Center- Fairy Fest  
 July Mystic Connecticut Woodcarvers Show  
 July CWCA Annual Picnic  
 Sept Run for the Woods, Sessions Woods  
 Sept White Memorial Family Nature Day  
 Nov Bizarre, Bizarre New England Carousel Museum  
 \*Check Website for Dates & Additional Events\*!  
[www.Ctwoodcarvers.org](http://www.Ctwoodcarvers.org) See us on Facebook  
 or contact us at [ctwoodcarver@gmail.com](mailto:ctwoodcarver@gmail.com)

**Membership**  
 Dues are \$15 and run from Jan 1st - Dec 31st.  
 Make checks to payable to C. W. C. A. and return/mail to membership chairperson.  
**Connecticut Woodcarvers Association**  
 258 Campville Road, Northfield, CT 06778  
 \_\_\_ Renewal Membership \_\_\_ New Member  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Woodcarvers Day by the Mystic Woodcarvers will be on **May 5<sup>th</sup>** at the **Beckish Senior Center on Route 66 in Columbia CT** registration begins at 8 am, show opens to the public at 10 am - 3pm. There will be food available, a drawing for prize baskets, vendors will be showing and selling carvings, and they are pursuing carving demonstrations.



Our 20<sup>th</sup> CWCA Show is only 90 days away-  
 What goals do we have for this year's show?  
 We are looking for your input regarding:  
 Demonstrations, Raffle Prizes, Show Setup, Whatever!  
 What do we want to demonstrate? Wood burning, Woodturning, Spoon carving, Knife making, Carving Faces?  
 Is there an Art Show this year?  
 What are the categories? What are the prizes?  
 Perhaps we should purchase a Lee Valley Gift Certificate as a raffle prize. At the New England Woodcarving Show each raffle prize was accompanied by a donated wood carving by a member. This made each raffle prize very unique and special reminder of the show.  
 Do we want to try to have some food available at the show?  
 Other Clubs have arranged for a Food Truck to stop by- or invited a scout troop to have a lunch fundraiser?  
 The Show is quickly approaching -Go carve something!

**Calendar:** Meetings at Connecticut Forest & Park 16 Meriden Rd, Rockfall CT

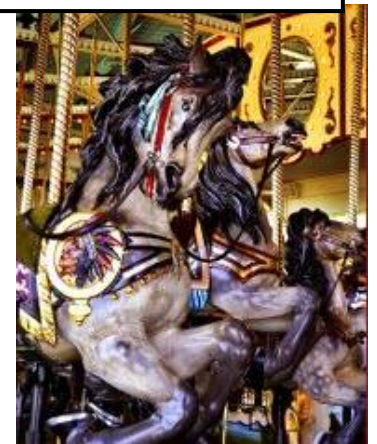
March 4th	Monthly Club Meeting- flower carving & painting
April-December	Salisbury Farmers Market Display and Sell
April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Club Meeting-Project: Walking Sticks
April TBD	Walking Stick Workshop at Flanders Nature Center Woodbury
April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Barkhamsted Nature Day 9-3
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mystic Woodcarvers Show</b> - at the Columbia Senior Center
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Club Meeting-Project: knife making
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Farm Days</b> at Flanders Nature Center Woodbury 10-4
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Kids Carving Class at New England Carousel Museum Bristol Ct
June 2nd	<b>CWCA Annual Show</b> at New England Carousel Museum Bristol Ct
June 2-9	St Thomas Retreat Center Bloomfield -Carve Religious Icon Class
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Fairie Fest</b> at Flanders Nature Center Woodbury (prepare 350 wands)
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Birthday Party for the Bushnell Park Carousel, (CWCA picnic?)
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting (August no meeting 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday Labor Day)
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
October 5-8	<b>Mystic Carving Retreat</b> Exeter RI



Training knives ready for the Connecticut Wood Carvers carving class at the New England Carousel Museum on May 19th.  
 Projects: mallet & gouge carved flower, knife carved comfort bird.



The Connecticut Woodcarving Association has the opportunity to Carve a tree at the entrance to Sessions Woods. Finalizing design ideas to carve at 18 1/2 feet high by 43" diameter tree stump. Any input is welcome.

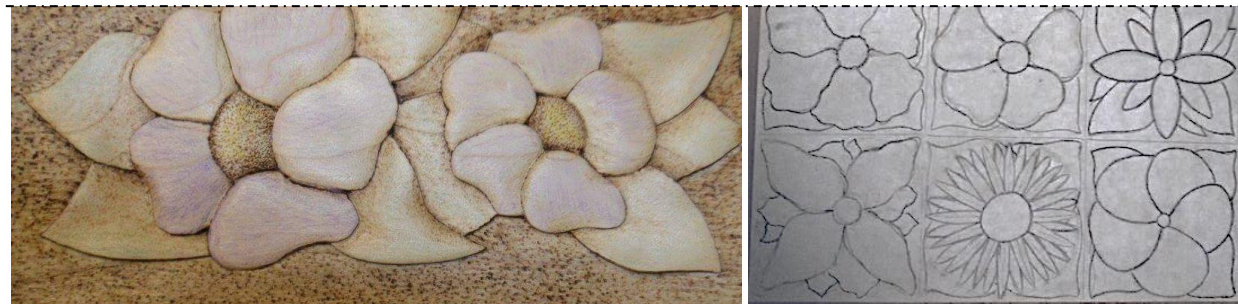


The Connecticut Woodcarving Association has been invited to the 104<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party for the Bushnell Park Carousel on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Considering having our CWCA Picnic at the same celebration?

We have been requested to demonstrate walking sticks and farie wands at a Renesance Fair June 23-24 June30-July 1 and July 7-8



Can't wait for Spring...**CWCA FLOWER SHOW**  
 We will continue to carve and wood burn flowers at this month's meeting,  
 we will demonstrate coloring, painting & finishing techniques.  
 Prior to painting-erase any pencil lines, wash your carving with soap & water, let dry.



If you have pictures & items that you would like shared in the newsletter please send the to:

[gdlauer79@comcast.net](mailto:gdlauer79@comcast.net)

Please let an officer of the club know if you have a club project you would like to see, or would like to instruct.



Currently Serving CWCA Officers		
President	Leo Hein	860-675-5473
Vice President	Mike Audette	860-388-7874
Secretary	Linda Syphers	203-499-9116
Treasurer	Bob Mcvety	203-288-3161
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Events Director	Jennifer Castonguay	860-539-7346
CWCA Show	Linda Syphers	203-499-9116

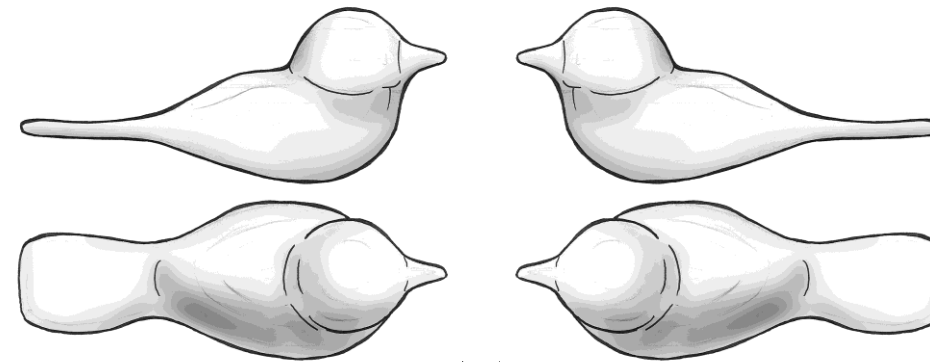
Membership 2018 Yearly dues- Please see Mark Austin to get your 2018 membership!  
 \$15 for 2018 calendar year, and checks should be made to CWCA and the following mini  
 form mailed to: CWCA Membership 258 Campville Road Northfield, CT 06778

Name \_\_\_\_\_ New Member?  Yes

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

All newsletters will be emailed. No email? Check box for a mailed copy.



Comfort Bird Pattern  
 from Woodcarving  
 Illustrated

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