

CONNECTICUT WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION

MARCH NEWSLETTER



Grants assorted hearts for his project.



Andre's "Monster in the basement" is a work in progress, will be renamed when done!

CWCA monthly meetings are open carving sessions for ALL that wish to attend. Bring your own project, or give the featured monthly project a try! Carving tools not provided by CWCA. Children under 10 welcome, but please contact us ahead of time for tips and any special instructions.

FEBRUARY MEETING & EVENTS RECAP



A big **THANKS** to Grant for teaching the novice project of HEARTS. He supplied several types of wood to make them, and were in various sizes as well!! What a nice Valentine for the one you love!!

The task of prepping magic wands for "Fairy Fest" is well under way. Thanks to several club members assisting, Dan got over 125 wands stripped! More wands will need to be stripped, so when you see them, please help out. Thank you Dan for taking on this task for the club!!

Hunting and Fishing Show

It was cold outside, but inside the CT Convention Center, it was bustling at the Hunting and Fishing Expo. A great big **THANKS!!** To the club members that demonstrated for us: Mike, Andre, Jennifer, Gary, Kathy, Leo, Lynda, & Linda.

Also to Larry Appleton for the great decoys.

We had a great response from the crowd! We also would like to say thanks and get well soon to Joe Rizzo, who sponsored the space we used. The club got great exposure, and the carving competition can wait until next year when he is feeling better!



Linda proudly displaying her works at the Hunting and Fishing show.



A place for our President to rest his hat next to Gary's treasures!



Gary and Grant sharing stories again!

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From the Presidents Desk

My fellow club members,

As most of you are aware, our yearly show entries have been on the downward trend as of late. One disappointing part of that statistic is that very few of our own club members are entering pieces to be judged. I am pretty sure you all have some very nice works just lying around, wishing for a chance to be included in a show! Well it's time to dust them off and be proud of your club by supporting this very important event. New to the club? Still a new carver? We have a category just for you...NOVICE ! For or 14 and under members, we also have a juniors category! Don't be shy.

Thanks for listening... **LEO HEIN**

P.S. *We will have a new feature at the show this year, a display area for pieces that are in the process. Works that are not nearly done, just started, or very close to completion. We want to show what our club folks are working on!*

STICKS, STICKS, and more STICKS!!!

It's time to go for a walk in the woods to gather a much needed supply of walking sticks for several upcoming events. Let Mike or Leo know what days and times work for you so dates can be selected.



****OFFICER ELECTIONS IN MARCH****

The CWCA has a great group of elected leaders that is dedicated to the continued success of the club. As we thank all our current officers for a job well done, some of the seats are vacant and some new for the 2016/2017 year.

POSITION	NOMINEES SO FAR
VICE PRESIDENT	MIKE AUDETTE
SECRETARY	COLLEEN O'TOOLE
SPECIAL EVENTS DIRECTOR	
CWCA SHOW DIRECTOR	

INTERESTED IN A POSITION? Be a Nominee !!

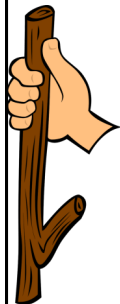
Speak with a current officer for details at VERY beginning of March meeting!

CURRENTLY SERVING CWCA OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT	LEO HEIN	860-675-5473
VICE PRESIDENT	JIM MUELLER	860-621-9544
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EVENT DIRECTOR		
CWCA SHOW DIRECTOR		

DON'T FORGET TO SEE INFORMATION & PHOTOS ON THE CWCA FACEBOOK PAGE!

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



5 Completed walking sticks of a nature theme are needed for the Winners of the Run for the Woods event at Sessions Woods. Please carve one and get it to Leo or Mike by July 30th, the picnic, if you can...

THANKS!! We also will be demonstrating here.

SHH. There is serious work going on here! Well for one of us anyway!



MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Yearly dues...past due if not paid yet!! Please see Mark Austin ASAP to get your membership current! Updates to address or e-mail should be sent to Mark as well. Checks (\$15 for the calendar year 2016) should be made to CWCA and the following mini form given/mailed to:

CWCA Membership 258 Campville Rd Northfield, CT 06778

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CIRCLE....NEW MEMBER OR RENEWING

E-MAIL _____ **PHONE** _____

Delivery Choice.....CIRCLE.....DELIVERED MAIL OR E-MAIL

CWCA CALENDAR

****ALL CLUB MEETINGS ARE HELD AT CT FOREST AND PARK IN MIDDLEFIELD,**

(Old Route 66) 10 AM-2PM UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED**

MAR.	-6: Club meeting—Project—Carved Masks by Bob McVety **OFFICER ELECTIONS**
APRIL	-3: Club meeting—Project—TBD -3: Demo @ Model Train Show, Sheehan High School, 142 Hope Hill Rd. Wallingford,CT *10a-3p Sign up with Leo or Mike -16: Demo Walking Sticks @Flanders Nature Center, 5 Church Hill Rd Woodbury, CT *10a-4p
MAY	-1: Club meeting—Project—Walking Sticks as club project—by ? -14: Annual Wood Wackers Carving Show @ Monson,MA -14: West of the River Scout Jamboree @ Bethlehem Fairgrounds *9am to 3pm Respond to Mike ASAP to sign up -21: Farm Days @ Flanders Nature Center, Woodbury *10a-4p
JUNE	-4: CWCA Show !!! @ The New England Carousel Museum, Bristol ***The show is the monthly meeting.*** 10a-4p
JULY	-18: Demo--Fairy Fest @ Flanders Nature Center, Woodbury -30: CWCA Annual Picnic @ Mike Audette's 371 Carter Rd Nibbling Brook Farm Thomaston, CT This is our monthly meeting! Must RSVP Kathy by July 25th call 860-675-5473 Rain date 31st
AUG.	NO MEETING OR EVENTS
SEPT.	-10: Run For the Woods @Sessions Woods, Burlington -11: Club meeting—Project—Bell Birds by Mike Audette -24: Demo Walking Sticks @White Memorial Family Nature Day Litchfield -times to follow

CWCA

114 Miller Rd

Burlington, CT 06013

FIRST CLASS MAIL

THE 18TH ANNUAL
CONNECTICUT WOODCARVERS ASSOC.

WOODCARVING SHOW & SALE

JUNE 4
2016

10 AM - 4 PM

\$6 ADULTS OR
\$3.50 KIDS 4-14

JUNE 3
2017



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CARVING ENTRY CATEGORIES:

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*CARICATURE *WOOD BURNING *ABSTRACT *RELIEF
*CHIP CARVING *UTILITY *CARVING IN THE ROUND

SKILL GROUPS:

*YOUTH *NOVICE *OPEN *INSTRUCTOR ASSISTED

ENTRIES MUST BE PICKED UP **AFTER** 4 PM

DEMONSTRATIONS:

WALKING STICKS	CHAINSAW CARVING
FREESTYLE	WOOD TURNING
WOOD BURNING	

- ♦ RAFFLE PRIZES
- ♦ CAROUSEL RIDES
- ♦ GUIDED TOURS
- ♦ WOODCARVING SALES
- ♦ VENDORS WITH BOOKS, SUPPLIES, & MORE!