

# CONNECTICUT WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION

## MAY NEWSLETTER

Lynda Z. getting busy on a stick at Flanders Nature Center walking stick demo. Thank you to

her and the others that attended & demonstrated...

Grant, Jim, Dan, Mark, Mike, Andre, Jen, Chuck, Gary, Leo, & Linda S.



A HUGE thank you to Dan and Jim for being the leads on the fairy wand prep, and to the other club members that assisted in stick stripping.

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.

### **APRIL MEETING & EVENTS RECAP**



We wish to thank Linda S. for leading the relief flowers demo at the meeting . Your templates made it a breeze to get started and many people participated.

We harvested over 75 sticks on 2 separate outings this month, thanks to Mike, Paul, Gary, Leo, Andre, and Jennifer. The first gathering had snow, but no bears!



During our last meeting Gary and Andre represented us at the train show in Wallingford. They were able to talk to several people about carving and our club.

STICKS, STICKS, and more STICKS!!!

We STILL NEED MORE!!!

Let Mike or Leo know what days and times work for you so dates can be selected.



Some examples of the monthly project, finished and just getting started.



Our VP sharing his knowledge with one of the young attendees at Flanders, Eric.



## From the Presidents Desk

*My fellow club members,*

*I always like to thank the members that show up and take time to promote the club at various events. This past month we had the train show at Sheehan High School, the Walking Stick Demo at Flanders, and a stick gathering. Those people involved were Mike, Mark, Linda, Lynda, Grant, Gary, Andre, Jennifer, Dan, Jim, Chuck, and myself. Thanks for participating! WHY is it always the same list of club members?? We should all be trying to promote our club!!!*

*We will be trying a little bit different format for our fall and winter holiday projects. So that you have more time to work on them, we will have a Halloween and Thanksgiving project in October, and then finish Thanksgiving and a Christmas/winter project in November. This way if you desire to make multiples of any of the items, you have plenty of club time to do so!*

*Thanks for listening...*

*Mr. President*

*P.S. Many hands make light work, so please come to set things up for the Club show Friday June 3rd at noon!!*

### Other Area Wood Carving Clubs Events:

- ♦ **Monson Wood Wackers Annual Show....**May 14th (see calendar)
- ♦ **Pete LeClair Seminar** June 10-12 By Mystic Wood Carvers Seminar on carving caricatures, Cost \$125 [www.mysticcarvers.com](http://www.mysticcarvers.com)
- ♦ **34th Annual Mystic Wood Carvers Day Exhibit and Sale.** July 9th, rain date July 10th, \*9:30a-3p in the Apple Orchard @ Olde Mystic Village. More details [www.mysticcarvers.com](http://www.mysticcarvers.com)
- ♦ **19th Annual Wood Carvers Retreat** Oct 7-10 Details at Mystic website.
- ♦ **43rd Annual Green Mountain Wood Carvers Show & Carving Classes** Aug20th. Waterbury, VT They will have more info at our show in June.

Chuck found another use for the walking sticks!!

Your such a multi tasker!!



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.



### CURRENTLY SERVING CWCA OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

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### Free Raffle Tickets for the CWCA Show Prizes ??????

Vote for one free raffle ticket if you enter a piece in the clubs show in June!!!

Details at meeting. We will also be voting at the May meeting.

Anyone that isn't attending but would still like to vote, contact Leo after May 1st.

### MEMBERSHIP CORNER

**Yearly dues** Please see Mark Austin ASAP to get your membership current if you haven't already! 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 mailed to:

CWCA Membership      258 Campville Rd      Northfield, CT 06778

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CIRCLE....NEW MEMBER    OR    RENEWING**

**E-MAIL** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Delivery Choice.....CIRCLE.....USPS 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\*\*

MAY	<p><b>-1:</b> Club meeting—Project—Walking Sticks as club project **Be prepared to assist in stick stripping to prepare for PAID order!! Shaving horses are requested!! <b>Also added- knife sharpening techniques by Leo and Linda S</b></p> <p><b>-14:</b> Annual Wood Wackers Carving Show @ Monson, MA , *8a-10a entries accepted, show *10a-4p At the First Church of Monson 5 High St. \$10 first entry \$5 for any others.</p> <p><b>-14:</b> West of the River Scout Jamboree @ Bethlehem Fairgrounds *9am to 3pm Respond to Mike ASAP to sign up</p> <p><b>-21:</b> Farm Days @ Flanders Nature Center, Woodbury *10a-4p</p>
JUNE	<p><b>-3:</b> CWCA Show set-up Noon until *3pm (or until we finish!!!)</p> <p><b>-4:</b> CWCA Show !!! @ The New England Carousel Museum, Bristol ***The show is the monthly meeting.*** *10a-4p</p>
JULY	<p><b>-16:</b> Demo--Fairy Fest @ Flanders Nature Center, Woodbury</p> <p><b>-30:</b> 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</p>
AUG.	NO MEETING OR EVENTS
SEPT.	<p><b>-10:</b> Run For the Woods @Sessions Woods, Burlington</p> <p><b>-11:</b> Club meeting—Project—Bell Birds by Mike Audette</p> <p><b>-24:</b> Demo Walking Sticks @White Memorial Family Nature Day Litchfield -times to follow</p> <p>- ?? Northeast Waterfowl Show @ Lighthouse Point in New Haven, Details to follow as they become available</p>
OCT.	<p><b>-1 &amp; 2:</b> Camping Carve-in ?? Working on this!!</p> <p><b>- 2:</b> Club meeting—Project details being worked out still</p>

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

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



The 18th Annual CONNECTICUT WOODCARVERS ASSOC.

## WOODCARVING SHOW & SALE Information Station



Instead of our formal meeting in June, we will be having our 18th CWCA Show. The following is all of the details and expectations you need to know, from hours and location, to categories and prizes.

1. Where...The New England Carousel Museum 95 Riverside Ave. Bristol, CT 06010 860-585-5411  
info@thecarouselmuseum.org
2. When...Saturday June 4th 2016 Entries accepted starting at 8 AM and goes to 10 AM. Please try to get entries in as early as possible so all pieces are ready for display when the doors open at 10 AM.  
Judging is set to begin at 10:30 AM. Entries are not to be picked up until the close of the show, AFTER 4 PM  
**Set up** for the show is Friday June 3rd from **noon til 3 ish.** Tables, registration area, & vendor spaces are just a few of the things we need to get ready.
3. Why...This show is also a fundraiser for us. We are able to keep our club dues to a ridiculously low amount as long as our show brings in enough money!! Show your support so dues are not increased, and so we have a full slate of pieces. Perhaps you would like to display a piece at our new "In progress" table also.
4. Who...YOU!! All club members are expected to enter at least one piece. There is a skill group for all members to enter in. Here is a definition of each one...  
**Youth-** Carvers age 18 and under. These are young carvers that are just starting out.  
**Intermediate-** These carvers are from beginner to experienced carvers who have not sold any carvings, have not won "Best in Show". These carvers typically have beginning to moderate carving skills.  
**Open-** These carvers are very experienced. Often they have sold carvings, won significant blue ribbons or "Best in Show" or teaches classes on carvings.  
**Instructor Assisted-** These are carvings that were done with the assistance with instructors via a class or very close mentoring.
5. How much...First entry is \$8, and each additional is \$5. We have many categories to place your entry in, and Judges reserve the right to reclassify the category your entry is placed in based on their expertise.  
\* abstract \* caricature \* carving in the round \* chip \* miscellaneous \* relief \* utility  
\* wildlife – fin \* wildlife – feather \* wildlife – fur \* wood burning.
6. What else is there to do...There will be carving demonstrations of walking sticks, freestyle carving, wood burning, chainsaw carving, and wood turning. Also the yearly raffle, carousel rides, guided tours, carving sales, vendors with books & supplies, the museum gift shop & more!!
7. Unless you are entering a competition piece, entry fee to the museum is \$6 for adults, \$3.50 for kids 4-14, for which the club gets a percentage, so talk it up with family and friends so both us and the museum make out!



*Our Mothers gave us life,  
so take a moment to let  
them know they have  
shaped us into the people  
we are, and regardless of  
mistakes made, we  
love them.*

*HAPPY MOTHERS DAY*

THE 18TH ANNUAL  
CONNECTICUT WOODCARVERS ASSOC.

# WOODCARVING SHOW & SALE

10 AM - 4 PM

JUNE 4  
2016

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

JUNE 3  
2017



HOSTED BY

**THE NEW ENGLAND  
CAROUSEL MUSEUM**

860--585-5411

95 RIVERSIDE AVE. BRISTOL, CT 06010

Info@thecarouselmuseum.org

A CARVING COMPETITION OPEN TO

ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVELS

**\*\*\*ENTRIES ACCEPTED FROM 8 AM TO 10 AM\*\*\***

**CARVING ENTRY CATEGORIES:**

\*WILDLIFE-FIN, FUR, OR FEATHER \*CHAIN SAW

\*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

FREESTYLE

WOOD BURNING

CHAINSAW  
CARVING

WOOD TURNING

◆ RAFFLE PRIZES

◆ CAROUSEL RIDES

◆ GUIDED TOURS

◆ WOODCARVING SALES

◆ VENDORS WITH BOOKS, SUPPLIES, & MORE!

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