

## **2010 CCA CarveAlong East Sponsored by the Mystic Carvers Club**

The Mystic Carvers Club is pleased to announce their sponsorship of the 2010 CCA CarveAlong East, to be held Friday evening through Monday afternoon, May 28, 29, 30 and 31 (Memorial Day weekend). The site will be the Alton B. Jones Annex of the University of Rhode Island, which is located on 2200 acres of woodlands and ponds, conveniently reached a few miles off of I-95 at exit 5B in West Greenwich, RI (see <http://www.uri.edu/ajc/eec/facset.html>) . Our Package price this year is \$370.00, which includes the classes, room and all meals and snacks.

### **The Award-Winning CCA Instructor Members scheduled in 2010 are:**

**P.J. Driscoll** – (Omaha, NE) a recently retired Fire Captain, began carving in 1992 after being inspired by two good friends in the Omaha Fire Division. Since then he has taken many seminars and been very active with Mid-America Woodcarvers, and has been especially proud to develop a style of his own. He enjoys a variety of carving, including chainsaw, relief, and animals, but always returns to carving caricatures. P.J. also teaches every summer at the Doane Experience, in Crete, NE. His numerous awards include a CCA Best of Show in '07. After 36 years of marriage, however, most important in P.J.'s life is his family: they always have first choice of his carvings and usually lay claim.

**Keith Morrill** – (Custer, SD) a retired Associate Professor of Biology from South Dakota State University, Keith has had a life-long interest in woodcarving. He became actively involved in carving about 25 years ago, learning largely on his own, and influenced early on by the work of Andy Anderson and Claude Bolton. After attending a variety of classes and seminars, carving became a “serious endeavor”, with caricature carving his first love. In 1986 he became the Carver-in-Residence at the National Museum of Woodcarving in Custer, where he has taught summer carving classes on a regular basis. Keith was a previous instructor for us, in 2007.

**Dennis Thornton** – (Guilford, NY) current President of CCA, started carving in 1995. He always enjoyed working with wood and eventually discovered his natural ability for woodcarving. People who have experienced his work have enjoyed his caricature creations and the humor depicted through them, and when Dennis sees their reactions, it makes all of his hard work worthwhile. Dennis's work is now shown in galleries, exhibits, and shows around the country. He was a previous instructor for us, in 2006. Dennis and his wife Susan give carving (he) and painting (she) lessons in their home studio, and will also be the instructors on a *Royal Caribbean Cruise* in January of 2011.

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On Friday when you arrive there will be a self-serve meal available. Friday evening we will make introductions and have an informal get acquainted session. We'll be happy to accommodate anyone who would like to make announcements or give a talk. You'll be hearing more about other evening activities at a later date. Please bring along a carving for the “show and tell” table in the main dining room.

There will be separate cabins for men and women. While the cabins are rustic, they are of newer construction with nice showers and lavatories, and comfortable twin sized bunk beds. Only lower bunks will be used. Attendees should bring their own sheets, pillow, blankets/sleeping bag, towels, toiletries, insect repellent, shower shoes, band-aids, and flashlight. Bring ear plugs if snoring keeps you awake.

The dining hall is open 24 hours a day with beverages and snacks continuously available at no additional charge. Meals are good, and food is plentiful. Vegetarian meal requests can be accommodated. There are picnic tables outside the facility which can be used for carving in good weather. Canoes and a paddle boat can be used at no cost on a nearby pond. Numerous walking trails meander through the woods.

The format will be three groups of 11 carvers each, with each group spending one day with each of the featured carving instructors. Accordingly, registration is limited to the first 33 who respond.

If you have further questions please feel free to call Ed Ertel at 860-875-6187, or e-mail at [erteled@yahoo.com](mailto:erteled@yahoo.com) . You can write to Ed at 65 Loehr Road, Tolland, CT 06084. An alternative contact is George Elliott, at 860-464-8191 or e-mail at [elliott-george@att.net](mailto:elliott-george@att.net)

**Total Registration Fee is \$370 – see below for details**

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Memorial Day weekend, May 28, 29, 30, 31

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ (required for cabin assignment)

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian Meals requested? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Registration is limited to the first 33 carvers, in the order their registrations are received.  
(Remember, some previous years we have sold out!) If you are not in this group, do you wish to have your name placed on a limited waiting list, with your deposit held? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I am enclosing a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_\*.

\*If registering before April 15, 2010, you have the option of paying an initial deposit of at least \$200, with the balance due on or before April 15<sup>th</sup>. The total fee is \$370.00, which does not include blanks. Enclose your check payable to Mystic Carvers Club, and mail to Mystic Carvers Club, c/o Ed Ertel, 65 Loehr Road, Tolland, CT 06084. Local people not wanting to sleep over at URI or those desiring to get local motel accommodations may pay \$70 less. Any blanks used can be purchased directly from the instructor during the class. A map, directions and check-in information will be provided with the acknowledgment of your registration.

Refund Policy: Full refund if we are notified by April 15, 2010. After that date a refund should not be expected, but some portion may be able to be refunded depending on our finding someone to fill your spot.

RVers NOTE: some RV parking is available, hookups are not. Inquire if interested.



For administrative use only by registrar:

Registrant has been assigned to:

\_\_\_\_\_ Group A – Saturday, P.J. Driscoll; Sunday, Keith Morrill; Monday, Dennis Thornton.

\_\_\_\_\_ Group B – Saturday, Keith Morrill; Sunday Dennis Thornton; Monday, P.J. Driscoll.

\_\_\_\_\_ Group C – Saturday, Dennis Thornton; Sunday, P.J. Driscoll; Monday, Keith Morrill.