

The Newsletter of The Carpenter's Boat Shop

Spring 2013

CLOTHED IN COMPASSION

There is a wonderful clothing exchange in the neighboring village of Damascotta called People to People. A number of people also donate clothing directly to us at the Boat Shop for which we are very grateful. As our apprentices spend their nine months here without any income, it is not unusual for them to make use of these helpful resources. It also means that one

never knows what new clothing style or outfit might appear at the breakfast table the morning after an excursion to People to People or when a new clothing donation comes in.

In the same manner, it is not unusual for the physical appearances of our apprentices to morph throughout the year particularly when it comes to their hair. Winter time and colder weather often bring beards to those have the ability to grow them and those long winter evenings seem to breed experimentation with hair styles – shorter, longer, coloring, shaving and bleaching.



Left to Right, Top Row: Elisabeth Stancioff w/ Roameo, Florence Vincent, Padriac Doherty, Emily Johnson, Darin & Serafina Carlucci, John Paul Reitz, Joe Lavendier, Nate Chambers, Emily Abrahams; Bottom Row: David Thorpe, Jonathan Ives, Kim Hoare, Kathleen Boyle, Kenneth Kortemeier, Jen Jutras, Sarah Oliver

sion, in generosity, in hospitality, in service to our neighbors, in a good game of pond hockey (yes, that does matter here at the Boat Shop!), but particularly that we clothe ourselves in love. Love for ourselves, love for our community, love for our world and especially love for all those we encounter day to day – each person being as important, as worthy, as deserving of our care and attention as the next.

It is truly a blessing to witness our apprentices as they put on those well-chosen outfits, prepared to face the world clothed in compassion and love.

revel in. However, as the Boat Shop community lives and works together day by day in creative simplicity, it becomes quite clear that the quality of our character does not depend on how we comb our hair (or not) or what clothes we wear. Rather what truly matters is how we clothe ourselves. It matters that we clothe ourselves in kindness, that we clothe ourselves in patience, we clothe ourselves in compas-

Rev. Kim Hoare, Executive Director

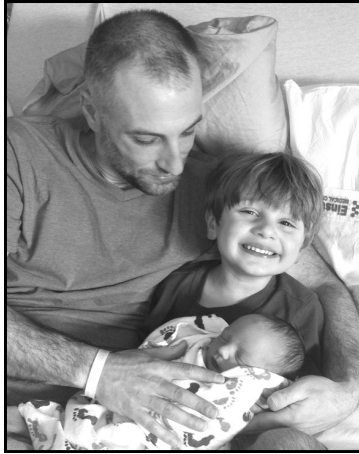
ALUMNI CORNER

I came to The Carpenter's Boat Shop by way of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Pastor Tim Roser, knowing me well, suggested I check out the Boat Shop when he learned I was contemplating taking a break between high school and whatever was next.

In the fall of 1996, I arrived in Pemaquid to meet my fellow apprentices. I dropped anchor in the harbor that is The Carpenter's Boat Shop, to be chiseled, cut, and sanded by these fine people, the Ives family, and the Boat Shop community. My experiences at the Boat Shop shaped me into who I am today.

The 6th century's Rule of St. Benedict's emphasis on service touched me deeply. Fellow apprentice Jason and I began tutoring two primary age students at the Bristol School. I helped a struggling reader in 2nd grade for an hour each week. We sat in the school's library taking turns reading and learning about one another. It was very rewarding helping a fellow struggling reader. I discovered I loved helping and serving people in need.

After leaving Maine at the end of my apprenticeship, I returned to PA and began studying



elementary education. I minored in social work and specialized in urban education, thinking that one day I may return and teach in Portland! While at Kutztown University, I joined various service organizations and volunteered around the community.

At the end of this current school year, I will finish my 11th year of service in inner-city public schools. I currently teach 3rd grade in a severely impoverished neighborhood in North Philadelphia. My students face adversity and hardships daily: hunger, drugs, guns, and violence. It is a rough place. Education and a stable, secure environment can empower my students and their families. Each day I work for social justice and equality in the trenches.

At school, I met another teacher, Leah, who is now my wife. We have two beautiful sons: our 3-year-old, Orin, and Cooper, who is 2 months old. In 2009 I received my masters in education with a PA reading specialist certification.

The Carpenter's Boat Shop is a very special place. It was an awesome experience, and I am forever grateful for my time there.

▪ *Jonathan Rossos, Apprentice Class of 1996-97*

BOAT SHOP OPEN HOUSE AND INSTALLATION SERVICE

The Midcoast Association
of the Maine Conference of the United Church of Christ and
The Board of Directors of The Carpenter's Boat Shop

invite you to the

Installation Service of Rev. Kim Hoare
as the new Executive Director of The Carpenter's Boat Shop

Sunday, May 19 - 2-4pm

2-3pm – Open House – Entire Boat Shop Campus
~ tours will be available ~

3pm – Installation Service – The Workshop

3:30pm – Reception with refreshments – The Workshop

No RSVP necessary – questions – call: 207-677-3769
or email: boatshop@carpentersboatshop.org

Please join us! All are welcome!

A SECOND APPEAL

Because donations to the Annual Appeal - mailed in early December, 2012 - were slow in coming in, we mailed a second letter a month ago. Responses continue to come in. We are still shy of our budgeted goal for contributions for 2012-13, but we remain hopeful. Our fiscal year ends August 31. Great things are happening at the Boat Shop - worthy of the support of all of us. Thank you for your generous contributions over the years and especially this year!

Gratefully,
Michael Stevens,
Chair, Finance Committee

BUILDING THE SWAMPSCOTT DORY

I have loved dories for as long as I can remember. One summer our family lived out on Swans Island and explored the local waters and beaches with our Swampscott Dory. It was such a versatile boat with its ability to row or motor and the flat bottom lent itself quite well to dragging the boat up on the beach for picnics and exploring. Its stability was only increased as our family of five rode out the many different sea conditions throughout the summer.



When former apprentice Chelsea Fisher asked about good dory plans, I recommended the 12'6" Swampscott Dory tender in John Gardner's Dory Book. She spent the next summer lofting out the boat and had a two-part stem, bolted together when she ran out of time and moved back to Minneapolis. With her permission, I continued with

the project this winter, and the apprentices gained a valuable lesson in building a boat starting from the lofting floor.

Instead of building the boat on temporary molds, we are planking the dory around the actual white oak frames that will remain after we flip it off the jig. Each plank has a dory lap bevel which is then fastened by copper roves and nails. So far, this boat has been a great project to teach the different elements of boat building, and when it is completed it will be an excellent boat for two rowers at the same time. Look for it in the Boat Shop Show Room this summer!

■ *Jonathan Ives*

ROAMEO

If you have visited the Boat Shop campus in the last four years, chances are you have seen a black and white cat roaming around. His name is Roameo, and he loves to travel. He will join you on walks down the dirt road or along the snowmobile trails. He's even been known to jump into a canoe for a trip down the river in order to explore the local dump (with help from apprentices or staff)! His real passion is climbing into people's cars, oftentimes without them knowing. Once he got into the back of a car owned by a woman in Newcastle, and she drove home at the end of the day, bringing him with her! It was a warm day so he jumped out of the window once she had parked and lived uptown for the better part of a week out in the woods. Thankfully, he was found and returned to his hometown hunting



grounds. One month later, a family visited the Boat Shop on their way back down to Washington D.C. They got in their van and made it as far as Wiscasset before Roameo walked up to the front seat to see how far they had made it! They were not excited to have to drive back down to Pemaquid to drop him off. Just last week, our apprentice David Thorpe was unloading things from his car and

did not notice that Roameo had jumped in when he shut the door, locking the cat in the car for over 24 hours. So, the next time you visit the Boat Shop, be sure to say hello to our friendly feline, but do make sure you check your car for a roaming, black and white stowaway!

■ *Jonathan Ives*

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS! THANK YOU DARIN AND KENNETH!

In 1997, Darin Carlucci and Kenneth Kortemeier were apprentices at The Carpenter's Boat Shop. Five years later in 2003 they both returned to become full-time instructors. And now, here we are celebrating their incredible dedication to the Boat Shop with 10 years of wise teaching and compassionate leadership.

If you would like to share your memories and words of congratulations and gratitude with Darin and Kenneth, please email boatshop@carpentersboatshop.org or mail "Celebrating 10 Years" c/o The Carpenter's Boat Shop, 440 Old County Road, Pemaquid, ME 04558.

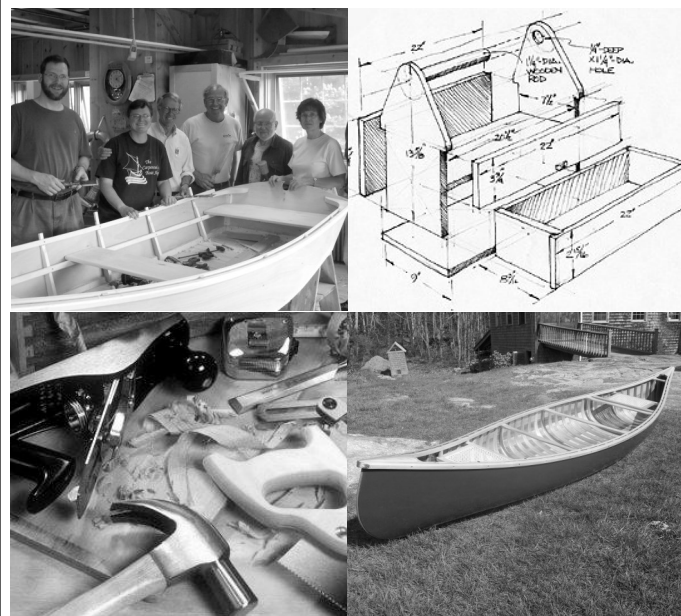


Summer Classes at the Boat Shop

We still have space!

For more information or to register, please check out our schedule of classes for this summer on our website.

www.carpentersboatshop.org
or call 207-677-2614



AN UPDATE FROM EVEN KEEL FARM AT THE CARPENTER'S BOAT SHOP



As I tend to tiny onion seedlings in the basement of the Fossett Farmhouse, apprentices come down the stairs to gather onions that were harvested in the fall. We are pushing the limits on how long they can be stored, but as I write this in mid-April, we are still eating onions, garlic, and carrots that were harvested last summer and fall.

I'm settling into a daily routine that will punctuate my work throughout the summer: water seedlings, open hoophouse, close hoophouse. As the season progresses, my daily schedule will fill out: water seedlings, harvest, open hoophouse, wash vegetables, deliver to restaurants, weed, start more seeds, transplant, close hoophouse. I'll be busy soon enough. But for the time being, I have the luxury of reading books and articles that I have clipped on farming topics, and typing and reviewing my notes from last season.

Here are some numbers: last year, the garden produced over \$9000 worth of vegetables, more than half of which went to the Boat Shop kitchen, pantry, freezers, and root cellar. These were the top five crops, weight-wise, to come out of the garden last year: tomatoes: 600 lb, onions: 540 lb, carrots: 420 lb, potatoes: 260 lb, winter squash: 260 lb. In total, about 3500 pounds of vegetables were produced by the garden. This year should surpass 4000 pounds--two tons,

still on the same third of an acre.

Next time you visit the Boat Shop, take a walk down the path and tour the garden!

▪ *Sarah Oliver, MOFGA
Journey person and Boat
Shop Gardener*



FIREWOOD SEASON...

Here at the Boat Shop, we have just completed a few weeks of chainsawing beautiful logs of birch, maple, and red oak. As much fun as we were having with the chainsaw, it was painful to cut that beautiful wood that we coveted so much. A few pieces of wood did disappear from the pile for us to practice the skills we have learned over the past seven months. But now, we are happily splitting the cut wood into 16 cords of firewood for the comfort of next year's apprentices. Keep warm!

A poem by Padraic Dougherty

I like wood
The feel of it
In my hands
Along my fingertips
After its been planed

I like the smell of wood
Fresh wood
Wood being cut
On a band saw or table saw
Or with a chainsaw

I like the smell of a
Running chainsaw
The burning, polluting
Gasoline
The fumes poisoning
The environment, my body

I like the feel of a chainsaw in my hands
Pulling the cord
The 2-cycle engine running
The chain spinning
round and round the bar

I like the smell of wood burning
There's little more pleasant
Than a cold winter night
With a fire in the stove
Warming the air
Warming my bones

On cold winter days
I like to go outside
With an ax in my hands
To split the wood for fire
I see my breath in the air
I keep fresh coffee nearby

My muscles turn to sore
My lower back to aching
I like to tire my body
To build my strength



EXCITING ADDITION!

By the time that you have received this newsletter, we are anticipating that our beloved Boat Shop staff members, Darin and Serafina Carlucci will have had their first child. We are all excited about this new addition to the Boat Shop family.

LOFTING AND MORE...



Douglas Brooks (right) working with the apprentices

lines and diagonals. There, apprentices had to not only loft and fair the lines, but make sure the lines in the three views reconciled with each other.

By Wednesday midday it seemed like a good time for a break, so we turned to the shop and students cut lifts and glued up blanks for half models. The models ranged from a Thai river boat (lines found on the internet) to the famous Herreshoff 12-1/2 sloop.

We finished the week lofting several more boats, hopefully two models that the Boat Shop may be building later this year. It was great to see the apprentices really understand the process, one that I feel is essential to anyone wanting to learn traditional boatbuilding. The ability to loft a boat opens many more resources for boatbuilders, and allows the builder to work out construction issues and pattern out many elements of a boat before building. For more about lofting,

visit this page at my website: <http://www.douglasbrooksboatbuilding.com/lines.html>

In January, the Boat Shop welcomed guest instructor Douglas Brooks to teach a week-long class in lofting. Enjoy this blog he posted that summarizes this special opportunity for our apprentices. Thank you Douglas!

For a week in early January I taught a lofting workshop at the Carpenter's Boat Shop, a nine-month apprentice program in Pemaquid, Maine. Eleven apprentices lofted a series of small boats over the course of the week, and also built half models.

We loft on paper, using a temporary table. I find this much more convenient as I can store lofted boats by just rolling up the drawings, and working at table height is much more comfortable than on one's hands and knees.

We began by lofting a very simple flat-bottomed skiff, actually a boat that I had previously built with students in the Boat Shop's summer class program. The skiff gave students an introduction to the principles of laying out the lines of a boat full-size, along with a sense of how the three views lofted (profile, plan, and sections) work together to provide information on construction details such as mould shapes, bevels and the stem rabbet.

After the first boat, we moved on to a round-bottomed boat, which featured waterlines, buttock



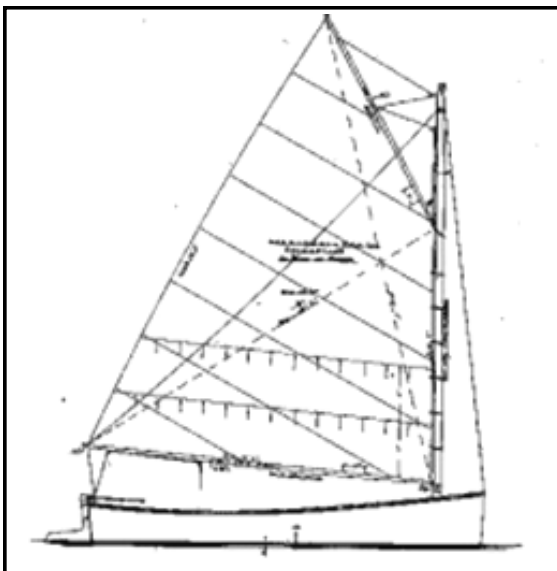
DINGHIES IN DISTRESS

We have been recipients of generous donations of time, money and materials over the years. I am grateful to share that we have also had donations of wonderful small craft to either fix up or pass along as is. This spring, I wanted to apprise you of the opportunity to “save a classic.” We have two boats that, with the proper sponsorship, could be fully functional and fun boats to have on the water next year.

The first is “Bam Bam,” a North Haven dinghy built around 1950. This John Alden design is the oldest actively raced One Design class in North America, with a healthy fleet racing regularly in the Fox Island Thoroughfare between North Haven and Vinal Haven islands, during the summer. Though living near the Fox Islands would enable you to race with the fleet, you can still have fun in this classic boat no matter where you live.

The other boat, “Gundel”, though working class, has had a much storied past. Built in Denmark, she was the tender to a cargo ship (also named “Gundel”) that plied the waters of the Baltic. We don’t know when she was built, but the larger “Gundel” was built in 1900. Seated in the stern davits of the mother ship, “Gundel” came to the US in 1948, along with 29 Latvians fleeing Russian oppression. She was being used in the Maine Windjammer fleet before coming to us.

Due to the materials and the craftsmanship available when these boats were built, both would easily have a second life with some careful restoration. The Carpenter’s Boat Shop would love to do that restoring for you. Please contact Darin at restoration@carpentersboatshop.org if you have any questions about saving these two classics.



From John Alden ca. 1888



From Aug. 2, 1948 edition of LIFE magazine.

Gundel in stern davits

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WISHLIST

Our full wishlist can be found on our website

For the house and campus...

Larger lawnmower (zero turn style w/ 54" deck) - \$3,299
Refrigerators – side by side - \$2,000 (need 4)
Dryers - \$900 (need 4)
Washers - \$800 (need 4)
Dishwashers - \$700 (need 2)
Freezers - \$750 (need 3)
Range hood for White house stove - \$149
Stainless steel cookpots, large, Calphalon - \$130 (need 3)
Outside BBQ grill (park style) - \$109
Chef's knives - \$100 (need 2)
Cambro food storage containers - \$20 (need 6)

For the office...

New phone system - \$8,000
27" Monitor w/ Adjustable Height - \$280
Heavy Duty Easel - \$45

For the Workshop and Maritime library...

Festool Kapex Miter Saw - \$1,300
Professional tool boxes for restoration machine tools (metal with dividers) - \$599
30 ft. Extension Ladder - \$400
Fastener shelving system for Restoration Shop - \$309
Festool or other brand 1/2 sheet sanders - \$146-\$355
Woodenboat Magazine back issues on thumb drive - \$155
Milwaukee hole shooter (corded drill w/ 1/2 in. chuck and side handle) - \$129
Dual action air sander - \$119
Retractable air hose reel - \$89
Extension cord reel for Restoration Shop - \$94
Dial calipers - \$59
The Common Sense of Yacht Design Vol. 1 by L. F. Herreshoff (we have vol.2) - \$50

FOR SALE

Please visit our website or call to inquire about any of our boats or furniture.

New Boats

Harry Bryan 12 1/2' Daisy Skiff, sailing model - \$8,000
13' sailing Catspaw Dinghy \$7,000
13' rowing Catspaw Dinghy \$5,200
12 1/2' Swampscott Dory \$4,900
Monhegan Skiffs 9 1/2' and 11 1/2' \$1,700-\$1,900
13' American Beauty Canoe \$2,500
Doug Hylan 13' Beach Pea peapod \$4,600

Used and Donated Boats

14' Tango Skiff (fiberglassed marine plywood) \$4,000
19' Lightning (fiberglass) - \$1500
Blue Jay (wooden) sailboat - \$600
20' E.M. White Canoe (like new) \$3,500

23' Viking (includes brand new trailer) \$8,000

*A variety of other small daysailers
and rowboats also available – come look!*

Furniture

Adirondack chairs \$195 (bare wood – all cedar), \$250 (w/ finish)
Double Adirondack chairs \$380, \$450 (w/ finish)
Child-size Adirondack chairs \$95
Post and Rung ladder-back stools, chairs, and rockers \$300-\$450
Firewood carriers \$60

...and more!

View the complete list of items on our website.



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