



## THE LEHIGH VALLEY CHAPTER PENNSYLVANIA GUILD OF CRAFTSMEN

PRESIDENT – Chuck Arkens  
VICE PRESIDENT – Paul Grecian

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – October**

Well, here it is October already. There are many craft shows going on. Many members are visiting or taking part in one or more. Some will have taken part in the Emmaus Porch Art Walk on 10/6 and 10/7. Of course the next big event is our 22nd Annual Marketplace on Nov. 10 & 11. Denise Wilz and her committee have been working hard getting the word out both for crafters to take part in the show and to those that will visit the show. The key to having a successful show depends on us having many visitors and buyers. We have time yet, so really work hard at spreading the word to your friends to come out to the show. See our web page for more info. ... One difficult decision that our Board of Directors has made has been for us to not continue as a partner with the Reading Berks Chapter PGC for the Spring Arts & Crafts Festival. . See separate article on this.... Here's hoping that you can come out to our October meeting and enjoy the company of fellow crafters.

### **PROGRAM- Paul Grecian**

LV Guild member Sue Newquist, along with her computer-savvy husband Ken, will discuss blogs and podcasts. Come join us, even if you're not computer literate, and learn how these evolving medias can inspire you to create and help you to market your products.

### **GUILD DECISION REGARDING SPRING SHOW**

The board of directors at the September board meeting made a difficult decision to regretfully withdraw from our partnership with the Reading-Berks Guild of Craftsmen on the Spring Arts and Crafts Festival. This was not an easy decision. Due to some unfortunate situations that have occurred since the middle of May, it was decided that it would be best for Lehigh Valley Guild of Craftsmen to withdraw from partnership. If anyone has any questions, please direct them to Chuck or myself.

However, this does not mean that any juried member cannot participate in the show. I am sure your participation will be more than welcomed and appreciated. It is just that this guild will not be involved in running the show. Non-juried members will also be welcome, but they would have to either send pictures or slides of their work or have a committee member okay them. Applications were sent out with the last newsletter and I am sure would still be good if you would like to participate.

Jacqui Hartranft [japhart@fast.net](mailto:japhart@fast.net)

### **SPRING TEA AND BOUTIQUE – APRIL 19, 2008**

Most people are thinking of gearing up for the Holiday Season...we are thinking about The Spring Tea and Boutique scheduled for April 19, 2008.

If you have any individual wrapped tea bags (any flavor will do) or tea cups and saucers, please bring them to the October meeting or call us and we will work out a pick-up time and place. We sell these items at the Holiday Marketplace, to promote our Spring Tea.

If you can help us with the promotion, that would be **tea totally terrific!!**

You are not losing your mind...this is a repeat request for tea bags and tea cups found in the September newsletter. Yes...we are a little desperate!!

Tea Party Committee  
610-966-4951

**STATE NEWS – GARY CAMPBELL**

- ? A general reorganization of the PGC Board has been approved, unanimously. The new board will be reduced in size from its present 33 members to an eventual 15 members. It may take three years to achieve this transition. The 15 member Board will be comprised of 10 craftsmen positions and 5 community members. Any PGC craftsman in good standing may seek a position on the new board by standing for election by the entire membership. Community members are individuals nominated by the PGC Executive Director for approval by the Board who are expected to bring a broader view of activities in the State and a financial connection to the board. Details of the transition are being developed by a special committee and will be presented to the PGC board for approval on October 10.
- ? The PGC Headquarters will leave Tyler State Park at the end of this year and will relocate to Lancaster. An exact location has yet to be selected. The Fall Show will still be held at Tyler.
- ? The Summer Chase Show was declared an outstanding success. Crafts people and the public both showered compliments regarding the quality of the crafts and the location. From the feedback that I have received from the participants that I talked to, they all said that the show was very good. Next summer this show will again be held July 25-27 at the Chase Center in Wilmington.
- ? There has been talk about creating an on-line store for state juried members. Fees and timelines are being developed.
- ? The next state jury session will be held in York, PA November 13, 2007.
- ? The Fall Show at Tyler has a few spaces still available, however no additional jewelry will be accepted. If interested, go the PGC website for additional information.

Gary Campbell – State Rep [gwbell345@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gwbell345@sbcglobal.net)

**NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!****SEND NEWSLETTER INFO TO:**

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**NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

Friday, November 2, 2007

**October Board Meeting**

Tuesday, October 16, 2007  
6:15 P.M. at Moravian Church, upstairs  
Emmaus, PA

**October Meeting**

Tuesday, October 16, 2007  
7:30 P.M. at Moravian Church, downstairs  
Emmaus, PA