



THE LEHIGH VALLEY CHAPTER PENNSYLVANIA GUILD OF CRAFTSMEN

PRESIDENT – Chuck Arkens
VICE PRESIDENT – Paul Grecian

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – February

Well, it's February already. Time does fly by. Of course if you are judging from the weather, you may be asking "when does winter start?". Of course anything can happen this or next month, so don't put your snow shovels away. Let's hope that any bad weather leaves our next meeting on 2/19 alone. By now I'm sure that many of our crafters have made plans for various shows. We certainly wish them the best. This holds true for some of our members that may get involved with their first show! Our next big event will be our Tea Party and Boutique on April 19. This was mentioned in our last newsletter, and you will be hearing more about it. Anyway, here's looking foreword to seeing you at our February meeting.

HOLIDAY DINNER

We had a great time at our Dec. '07 Holiday Dinner, but many thought that for the price, the food was a little skimpy and the room was a little cramped (and noisy from adjoining party) for our group at the Buckeye Tavern. So, our Board decided at the January meeting to try a different place for our dinner this year. We could have it at our regular meeting place, but some think something different would be better (particularly if you want something with a little more zip than coke). So, we are looking for suggestions for a neat place to hold the Holiday Dinner for our group. Of course it should be in the general area of our regular meeting place. I would like to have some input before our Feb. Board meeting. Let me know at chuckroc@aol.com. December is a long way off, but this is the time that reservations should be made for a December date. /// Chuck Arkens

PROGRAM- Paul Grecian

February's program will consist of a presentation by Carolee Fegley who will bring in her loom. After her presentation there will be a short interview and Q and A with Carolee.

2008 HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE – Great News

We will be having our show on November 15 and 16 this year. Luckily for us there is an extra week-end in November and the Swain School is available. Applications will be available in the March newsletter and on-line. Once again we are requesting digital photos of your work for advertising and publicity. You must be a juried member of our chapter to have your work considered for publication, and the show committee would love to have a large selection of photos to choose from this year. The postcards will be created in May so please get your photos to me, along with your paid application, as soon as possible. We are looking forward to another great show, with all the amenities we had last year - excellent food on-site, help with set-up and tear down and a wonderful organization with very nice people. If you have suggestions or questions please contact Denise Wilz, Show Chair at info@wilzpottery.com or 215-260-1133.

TEA PARTY AND BOUTIQUE – APRIL 19, 2008

Held at The Macungie Institute, 510 E. Main St. (Rt. 100), Macungie

Reservation forms have been mailed for the tea and we are already receiving inquiries into reserving tables!!

The committee met in January and sampled soups and sandwiches...our menu for 2008 is taking shape! We meet again on **February 26, 2008**, 7PM at 20 W. Main Street, Macungie. Call 610-966-4951...we are sampling various desserts and doing favors... Don't miss this one!!

Attached to this newsletter you will find your form to participate in the boutique. Take advantage of this...highlight your work at the tea.

Look for the sign-up sheet at the February meeting to help at the tea. You ask...what can I do? We need you to help as:

Servers	Wash Dishes	Help in the kitchen
Dry Dishes	Hostess	Help at set-up (4-18-08)
Help at tear down		
Wash and Iron	Tablecloths and Napkins	
Prepare:	quick breads, soups, sandwich spreads or desserts	

If you can not be at the February meeting call 610-966-4951 to volunteer...otherwise look for the clipboard begging for your help. This is a FUND RAISER FOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS. **SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!!**

Tea Party Committee

STANDARDS

Several new members have requested information and forms for the Feb 19 Jurying Session. As a reminder, please mail the completed application form to me ASAP - so that we know how many applicants to expect.

Jury certificates are awarded at our meetings, members who juried last year and have yet to receive their certificates should try to attend a meeting so that we can award your certificate.

The next jury session will be Oct 21, 08. Jan Schmoyer

NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

As mentioned in previous newsletters, if you would be willing to have the newsletter only emailed to you please email dpk1000@ptd.net stating your name and email address.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

SEND NEWSLETTER INFO TO:

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MARCH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Friday, March 7, 2008

February Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 19, 2008
6:15 P.M. at Moravian Church, upstairs
Emmaus, PA

February Meeting

Tuesday, February 19, 2008
7:30 P.M. at Moravian Church, downstairs
Emmaus, PA