



THE LEHIGH VALLEY CHAPTER PENNSYLVANIA GUILD OF CRAFTSMEN

PRESIDENT – Paul Grecian
 VICE PRESIDENT – Susan Newquist

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, we're back at it. A new year has begun and shows are soon to be a part of our lives again. Many of you have been applying for 2010 shows for weeks, others will be doing so soon. It's the perfect time to talk about our successes and lessons from 2009 and how to improve in 2010. The thing I enjoy about a new calendar year is the feeling of a fresh start. We have a lot to do and new ideas for fostering a more creative and more successful craft year.

It was very pleasant spending the evening with fellow chapter members at McCooles during our Holiday Dinner get together. I think we we're all impressed by the location and thank Jacqui Hartranft for her work in pulling it together.

I hope to see you all at the meeting on January 19th.

Paul Grecian/Photography
 215-529-9882

PROGRAM - Talk Amongst Yourselves

We have lots of decisions to make for the 2010. Among them: the Holiday Marketplace and how we make our chapter more marketable. Join us for some good food and lively conversation about what works and doesn't work at fine art and craft shows and options for our chapter show in 2010. Plus: Bring a handmade item (a photo is fine, too!) you made, gave or received this holiday season to show off to other members before or after the evening's program.

Susan Newquist/Red-Tail Designs Jewelry
 610-905-8399

HOSPITALITY

January snacks will be provided by Paul Grecian and Del Morgan.

Carolyn Lagler, Cut and Pierced Lampshades
 610-966-3172

ART OF THE STATE

The Greater Harrisburg Arts Council and the State Museum of Penna. and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission are again sponsoring the ART OF THE STATE. It is the 43rd Annual Juried Art Exhibition which will run from June 27 to September 12. There will be entry forms at the sign in table for those who might be interested in entering. If you want more information before the meeting, Jacqui Hartranft has the forms and you can call her at (610) 966-4636.

Jacqui Hartranft/Seats & Such Seat Weaving
 610-966-4636

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND GET TOGETHER

Jacqui Hartranft would like to thank all who came out and attended the Guild's Annual Christmas dinner and get together at McCools in Quakertown. The food was excellent and plenty of it and the room was beautiful with Christmas decorations and fireplaces burning!!! Everyone had a great time. We will need to decide within the next few meetings whether we would like to reserve this room for Christmas 2010, go somewhere else (although everyone seemed to like McCools), or stay in house.

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SAVE A FEW DIMES WHEN MAILING SHOW APPLICATIONS

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Cynthia Underhill/My Point Of View Photography
610-419-8898

REMINDER - RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP FOR 2010, PASSED DUE

The renewal deadline for membership is December 31, 2009. Juried members of the state will lose juried status if they have not renewed by January 31. Mail your renewal today!!!!

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Lancaster, PA 17603

Questions? Call 717-431-8706
www.pacrafts.org/join

FOR SALE, SERVICES and REQUESTS

This new section of the Newsletter is an ideal vehicle for members to find crafts materials (Wanted), to sell (For Sale) such as displays, tents, etc. or to request services/help

- Mat Cutter -The Logan Model 750 Simplex Plus with 27" squaring arm is a complete mat cutting system for bevel cutting windows, and fast, accurate sizing of matboard and foamboard. Includes straight and bevel cutters and extra blades. \$150.00

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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Friday, February 5, 2010

January Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 19, 2010
6:15 P.M. at Moravian Church, upstairs
Emmaus, PA

January Meeting

Tuesday, January 19, 2010
7:30 P.M. at Moravian Church, downstairs
Emmaus, PA