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MEETING TIME AND PLACE The normal meeting date and times will be the first Thursday of each month at the Christ's Lutheran Church, Rt. 286, 5330 Logan Ferry Road, Murrysville, PA 15668. Meeting format will be Social 6:30pm with Show & Tell 6:45pm followed by Guest Speaker from 7 to 8pm. The business meeting will be from 8 to 9:00pm. **Next meeting date April 4, 2019. No meetings for January and February.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ESAL WEB SITE: www.esalart.org

"Every artist was first an amateur" – Ralph Waldo Emerson. I find this quote very inspirational, especially when I feel frustrated about what I am creating, and am wondering if I am really an "artist". I love being in ESAL because we are all at different levels of experience with art, in many different forms of creativity, and yet we are here to encourage each other to keep going, and we respect everyone's efforts in their chosen medium. **We all have areas where we are experts**, and yet we are also students and can learn from one another. Let's keep that going! I know we will have an informative speaker this coming month, and we have new information to share regarding upcoming shows, so I do hope many of you will attend our meeting in April, both to hear the speaker AND to participate in our business meeting. As you all know, I do my best to keep the meeting short but informative, so plan on staying.

TREASURER'S REPORT As reported, the account balance is **\$5145.47** **DUES** \$25/person \$30/couple

UPCOMING ESAL SHOWS 2019

April: Latrobe Art Center--**June:** Gallery Space--**August:** Boyce campus--**December:** Penn State, New Kensington

PROGRAM

Sculptor/illustrator Brian McCall is guest speaker at East Suburban Artists League meeting. Brian McCall's sculptures and illustrations are his effort to make sense of the struggles and meaning of life. They are whimsical, messy, distorted, and vivid, with humor running through them!

PERMANENT EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITIES

Murrysville Library Below is the complete 2018 exhibition schedule for the Murrysville Library. Thanks to all who have signed up for a month! All exhibitors new to this space are encouraged to stop by the library to see the current show and familiarize yourself with the space in order to better plan for your own show. Be sure to display a list including titles of all images with corresponding numbers on each piece. Each piece can be labeled separately if you prefer. Be sure to include prices and your contact information if your work is for sale! There is a podium for a comment book and a plastic sleeve on the wall for your bio. A title, in the way of a unifying theme is suggested as a way to give viewers an idea as to what to expect to see in your exhibit. Of course, publicity always helps! Each artist is responsible for his or her own publicity, but if you need suggestions as to how to handle this, you can contact **Barbara Jewell** 724-733-0950 or greenjewell2@juno.com

2019

Jan. & Feb: Lane Neff.....724-327-3495 **March:** Tirzah Mason...412-609-6059 **April:** Ellie Brendlinger..724-325-2820
May: Arlene Holtz...412-592-6418 **June:** Jan Landini...724-461-7145 **July:** Larry Brandstetter...412-855-6207
August: Jan Fiorina...724-516-9262 **Sept:** Ellen Spain...412-951-2924 **Oct:** Bob Bickers...724-325-4951
Nov: Cindy Berceci...412-244-0840(H) or 412-480-2771 (C) Jan Landini...724-461-7145 **Dec:** Sylvia Henriquez...724-744-6101

If your name appears on this list, please print and keep it for reference. Remember that you are responsible for contacting the person **BEFORE** you on the list to arrange a changeover time on the **SAME** day. Any questions; call Barbara Jewell.

Redstone Highlands

Members exhibiting - 2019

Jan/Feb: Bob Bickers...724-325-4951 **Mar/Apr:** Tom Gallovich... 724-845-5900 **May:** Anthony Latella... **June:** Ellen Spain...412-951-2924 **July:** Linda Roos...724-651-2847 **Aug:** Ellie Brenlinger **Sept:** Loraine and Gary Free

Members can sign up for 2 months in a row. Call or email Lane Neff to reserve a month. 724-309-8428 or email lbneff@aol.com. Contact the exhibitor the prior month to determine when to hang your work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of ESAL, I announced at last meeting that my reign as Editor Of Newsletter will come to an end with the June 2020 publication. Yes, that is 2020 not 2019. I will be 80 and felt it is time for me to turn over this title to another member. **Also included with this monthly task is "Internal Communication"**. This requires sending out or forwarding pre-written announcements to the general membership concerning ESAL activities. I am prepared to provide files of past newsletters, member email addresses, software, and supplies, etc. In addition to sending newsletter via email you

will need to print, and mail newsletter to members that don't have email address nor a computer. There is a requirement that you must have a computer, printer, email address, and be familiar with using word processing software such as Microsoft Word or Open Office. I use Open Office because it is free and compatible with Word. This changeover should happen well before June 2020. Not because it is a difficult job but because I would like to see a smooth transition. "You won't be left hanging. I'll work with you up until June 2020. If anyone is interested you can **text me at 412-303-4026** or email me at **gordonsarti@gmail.com**. If you call me I won't answer because of all the marketing calls I receive. Leave a message and I will return the call. **The quickest way to reach me is by texting.**

Eileen Yeager received **Honorable Mention Award for "Peacock"** at the NHAC Art for Animals Show. She received two awards last month. **Terry Ferro "Creative Expression Award" for "Lavender Fields"** at the Penn Art Association Spring Show and Award for **"Peacock" in the Art for animals show** at North Hills Art Center

Pittsburgh Center for the Arts presents Small Works – April 7 through April 27, 2019
At **Ketchup City Creative**, 612 Main Street, Sharpsburg PA 15215 – 412.593.4386. **Opening Reception and Awards, Friday April 12, 2019 - 6:00pm to 9:00pm**

Eileen Yeager will have a "Mounting Workshop" Sunday, March 31, at Pgh Mills Mall, 2-4 p.m. which will cover Mounting Paper Artwork. Call Eileen Yeager (412) 491-1192 or email for more info.

Cost is \$25. If this date does not work for you, email her and you will be notified the next time she teaches it.

Are you ready to save money by learning how to mount your own artwork correctly? Are your mounts slipping or is your artwork buckling out of the mat? Are you using plastic tape – masking, artist, duck, scotch, or linen tape? Come find out what is wrong with all these tapes and the right tapes to use. Do you want to present a professional framing look for your artwork? She will be demonstrating using Paper Corners with Tape, T Hinges, Float Mount Hinges, for Original Artwork and Positionable Mounting Adhesive, Perfect Mount and Paper Corners with tape for Photos and inexpensive pieces. You can try any you want, for your piece. I will bring the mounting tapes, glues, etc. you bring your artwork with mat beveled and mounting board.

The 46th Annual Hoyt Regional Juried Exhibition will be on display April 2 – May 30, 2019.

Public Reception and Award Ceremony – Saturday, April 6th, from 2-4pm. **Larry Brandstetter** will be receiving a Merit Award the night of the reception. <http://www.hoytcenter.org/exhibit>. **Larry also received a Third Place for his "Four Legs Good" collage, and the original sold.** Also **sold prints** of the other entries, **"enjoy the journey"** and **"Bad Dogs" drawings.** **Myla Pierce and Pamela Price** exhibited at this show also – **Pam received the People's Choice Award.**

Bob Bickers will be hosting a **landscape workshop for oils or acrylic at the Greensburg Art Center** for three Saturdays - March 30th, April 6th & April 13th. Each session lasts 3 hours and we paint a different landscape on each day. Cost is \$90 for all three days of painting and participants bring their own materials. For details visit Bob's website (bobbickers.net) or the Greensburg Art Center's website (greensburgartcenter.org) to sign up.

Bob also held a successful acrylic landscape workshop for the Monroeville Arts Council on March 23rd with a full class of 24 students!

Lynn Jacques has solo show the end of **March through April 2019 at the Shaler- North Hills Library.** 1822 Mt. Royal Boulevard, Glenshaw, PA 15116. Includes acrylic and watercolor paintings and collages. Main floor computer area.

Norma Rowley received a **Judge's Mention** award for my scratchboard entry, **"Pug Mug"**, in the Penn Art Association exhibit at CCAC Boyce Campus.

Larry Brandstetter's "Street Corner Gumbo" was juried into the **2019 Hoyt Regional Juried Art Exhibition.** Public Reception and Award Ceremony – Saturday, April 6th, from 2-4pm.

MEMBER'S WEB SITES: An email to the Editor (glsarti@comcast.net) indicating your web site address will have it listed in future Newsletters for the enjoyment of ESAL members.

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EDITOR'S CORNER: Remember everyone, to receive the monthly Newsletter you must have an accurate and up to date email address. Right now there are 13 exceptions. These are members who don't have a computer. They receive the Newsletter via the USPS. Send any email changes to glsarti@comcast.net and it will be forwarded to the Membership Chair to keep the official record updated. All submissions should be a Veranda font size 8 or 9. **A reminder: All paid members will receive the official membership list from the Membership Chairperson via email. The personal contact information of each member is considered confidential and is not to be shared with non-paid members.** The first newsletter for each new ESAL year will be published near the end of August of that year.

The ESAL newsletter now appears on the www.esalart.org web site.