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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. No meetings scheduled in June, July and August. No winter meetings for January and February. [The next meeting will be on November 3, 2019.](#)

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**ESAL WEB SITE:** [www.esalart.org](http://www.esalart.org)

"We have lots to look forward to this month in ESAL! One of our own (Ted Scanga) is presenting his wonderful art at our November meeting, we will hear the final details of our December show and holiday party at Penn State New Kensington, and we'll be able to see and hear about our new website created by Tom Gallovich! So much is going on! I do hope more of you get to attend our meeting this month, as you miss a lot when you aren't there!

I also hope that you all are busy creating and enjoying the process. If you feel stuck (as we ALL do from time to time), just start SOMEWHERE – with a stroke or a line or a wash of color or a bunch of photos. If you are putting pressure on yourself because you are afraid it won't turn out PERFECTLY, then you are not having fun. The purpose of creating is not perfection, but to simply be enjoying the process, and even in your "imperfection", allowing the process to be a lesson to you and possibly to others. Bring your works to share at our show and tell, even if it is not perfect or even complete, and enjoy sharing with other like-minded creators. **Arlene Holtz**

**TREASURER'S REPORT** As reported, the account balance is **\$4089.74** **DUES** **\$25/person \$30/couple**

### ANNUAL ESAL SHOWS 2020

**June:** Gallery Space--**August:** Boyce campus--**December:** Penn State, New Kensington

### PROGRAM Ted Scanga speaking on "Wood"

Ted has painted in oils since 1964 and have used acrylics since the 1980's. Has built furniture in the 80's and has made most of the furniture in his house. Started wood art after a trip out west where he saw some intarsia and thought he could do it. Started inlay work when he made furniture and started to do inlay art in 2000. He is self taught in painting and in woodworking. Has made many errors and have learned some.

This discussion is about how wood is used to make furniture and art inlays and intarsia. The use of wood in its many colors and grains gives the art beauty and defines shape with the added depth. Trees are an important part of the earth's ecosystem and their wood has been used for many things over the years. There are many uses of wood products in art besides wood art such as paper for drawing and water color work. The basic understanding of trees and its wood is a part of knowing how to build an art work. My hope is that this discussion will give you a better feel for the art of woodworking art.

### PERMANENT EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITIES

**Murrysville Library** Below is the complete 2019 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](mailto: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 Berceli...412-244-0840(H) or 412-480-2771 (C) **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.

**Barbara Jewell** will be looking for one exhibitor for January and February 2020. See her if you are interested! The library director spoke to a few of us recently about some possible options for our future shows at the library, mostly in terms of placement of the art. Nothing is definite at this point, so conversations will be on-going as she visits other libraries and gathers ideas. I will keep you posted re: developments. Many thanks to all who have participated with shows at this location!

### Redstone Highlands - Members exhibiting - 2019 - 2020

**October and November** - Sue and Dan Yaklich **December** - Shelly Hagmaier **January** - Arlene Holtz

**February** - Lorraine Free **September** - Ellie Brandlinger

**Exhibitors** can contact the gift shop to put in some small items for sale. However you must first ask permission

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](mailto:lbneff@aol.com). Contact the exhibitor the prior month to determine when to hang your work.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Larry Brandstetter** invites you and your friends to visit his solo art exhibit, "You had me at Woof!" The show runs from November 2 to November 30, 2019. It will be at the Elaine Biondi Gallery Space, located in the Monroeville Public Library. [www.monroevillelibrary.org](http://www.monroevillelibrary.org). **My Artist's Talk** is scheduled for Monday, November 18, 2019 – 7:00 to 8:30pm. Not sure what I was thinking, most of my friends are Hecklers, geez

**Peter Cehily** had an abstract entitled "Wire in the Blood" juried into the **24th annual SPCARTS** (Southwestern Pennsylvanian Council for the Arts) regional juried exhibition and the GLSD (Greater Latrobe School District) Exhibition and Gala. The show runs from early November thru February 2020

### Monroeville Arts Council Offers FREE Holiday Craft Workshop

Arts Council proudly presents a FREE Holiday Craft Workshop on November 16, 2019, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in the Monroeville Public Library Program Room!

All materials will be provided for all ages and abilities during this opportunity to create a wide variety of unique gifts and crafts. Join your friends and neighbors in this creative outlet to prepare for the holiday season. Stay the entire time or as your schedule permits!

See Nancy Dalverny for details and to register at 412-373-0711 or [trw.695@gmail.com](mailto:trw.695@gmail.com) (registration requested but not required).

**Arlene Holtz** is offering 2 more **Intuitive Painting Workshops** in October, in response to the interest of ESAL members. One is on Sunday, October 20 from 1 to 3 pm. The other one is Wednesday, October 23 from 10 am to 12 noon. Cost for either is \$25 and all materials are supplied. They will be held at her artist loft studio / apartment, and class size is limited to 6 people. Her new address is: 5720 Friendship Avenue, Apt. 105, Pittsburgh, PA 15206. This is in East Liberty at the Spinning Plate Gallery / Artist Lofts building. Any who are interested can contact her directly via email or phone to register and pay for the class. ([arleneholtz@gmail.com](mailto:arleneholtz@gmail.com) 412-592-6418)

**Linda Roos** has a solo photography exhibit at the Lower Burrell library through the end of October.

**Pamela Price** will be teaching watercolor classes this Fall at Cross Roads Presbyterian Church. Thursdays, 2 to 5 pm for six weeks beginning October 10.

The **44th Annual Christian Art Show is November 9 & 10 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Murrysville**. Christian artists of any age and skill level are invited to enter their original artwork. Pre-registration deadline is Monday, October 28. Entry forms will be available at the church office (Old Wm Penn Hwy & School Rd) or call (724) 327-2898 or on the web at [www.calvaryLCMS.org](http://www.calvaryLCMS.org). They will also be available by e-mail attachment at [suznbobk@aol.com](mailto:suznbobk@aol.com) or call Sue Kemper at (724) 327-4230. We look forward to seeing your artwork. (Entry forms should be available early to mid-September.

**Barbara Jewell** will be looking for one exhibitor for January and February 2020 at the Murrysville Library.

## CONTINUING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Louise Baldel** asks ESAL artists to please consider recycling their old paint tubes and old paintbrushes for her to reuse in future center pieces? Contact Louise for more information.

**Reminder to Members:** Contact information for members can be found in the official membership list as provided to you by Peter Cehily, Membership Chairperson.

**MEMBER'S WEB SITES:** An email to the Editor ([glsarti@comcast.net](mailto: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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**Ted Scanga** - [tpsartandwoodintarsia.weebly.com](http://tpsartandwoodintarsia.weebly.com) **Phiris Sickels** - [www.pksickels.com](http://www.pksickels.com)

**Tom Gallovich** - [www.tomgallovich.com](http://www.tomgallovich.com) / artistic photography

**Myla Pearce** - [www.HalfFastFarms.Net](http://www.HalfFastFarms.Net) and [www.Facebook.com/HalfFastFarms](http://www.Facebook.com/HalfFastFarms) **Jaime Bird** - [www.sidewalkstoryteller.com](http://www.sidewalkstoryteller.com)

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They receive the Newsletter via the USPS. Send any email changes to [glsarti@comcast.net](mailto: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.