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MEETING TIME AND PLACE The normal meeting dates 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 September 3, 2020.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ESAL WEB SITE: www.esalart.org

"How have you all been faring through these difficult times? By now I am finding that I'm getting used to the restrictions, though I am missing all the face-to-face interactions with my family and friends. I look forward to the time we can all come together again as ESAL artists for a demonstration, discussion, food (!), and the camaraderie that we all have together when we can have our monthly meetings. I hope the summer months will bring you some fun, relaxation, and joy. I am hopeful we can meet in person in September, but if not, perhaps we can figure something else out in an online format, for those who can meet this way.

Be safe (wear your mask!) and healthy, everyone." Arlene

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

Programs Canceled until the September 2020 meeting.

PERMANENT EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITIES

Murrysville Library "Whenever I get word about the Murrysville Library reopening, I will contact the exhibitors on the schedule with information and somebody "regrouping." So far, everything is still On Hold."
Barbara Jewell

Below is the Murrysville Library exhibit schedule for 2020 as far as it has been filled. 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

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Jan. and Feb. Shelley Hagmaier...724-882-8585 **March:** Rick Armstrong...724-327-5069 **April:** Tirzah Mason...412-609-6059 **May:** Lynn Jacques...724-339-9038 **June:** Darlene Miklos...412-829-7269 **July:** Norma Rowley...412-824-3199 **August:** Lynn Skoff...724-216-3798 **Sept.** Barbara Jewell...724-733-0950 **Oct.** Sue and Dan Yaklich **Nov:** Tom Gallovich...724-845-5900 **Dec.** Evelyn Turocy...412-731-9543

If your name appears on this list, please print and keep it for your records! Remember that you are responsible for calling the person **BEFORE** you on the list to arrange for a changeover time on the SAME day. If you have any questions, call or email: Barbara Jewell

Redstone Highlands - Members exhibiting - 2020

The February show is still up and they will probably be in lock down longer than other places.

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.
Contact the exhibitor the prior month to determine when to hang your work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Larry Brandstetter was awarded the Artist Distinction Award in Pencil/Ink for his new colored pencil drawing, "Spike n' Louis" at the Latrobe Art Center Annual Open virtual Show - June 1 ~ 30, 2020.
Brandstetter will be displaying his positive art July/August at Redstone Highland - Murrysville, in hopes of delivering a few smiles during these troubled times.
Larry will donate to the students of CCAC Boyce Campus a framed ink drawing of "Shine Brighter".

The free acrylic landscape class that was to be taught by Bob Bickers through the Monroeville Arts Council at the Monroeville Public Library on Saturday, October 17, 2020 has been cancelled for the time being due to safety concerns during the current pandemic. Rescheduling for a future date will be announced at a later date.

Cindy Berceli has work accepted in the following venues.

Latrobe Art Center Open, online show - June 1st - 30th, 3 pieces.

American Artists Professional League, Your Favorite Thing online now - 1 piece

Crosscurrents Art Exhibit, Stifel Center Olgelbay, [W.VA](#), June 25th - August 22nd - 2 pieces.

Adirondack Pastel Society, the Shirt Factory Gallery online July 8 - Aug 15. - 1 piece

Merrick Masters 2020, Merrick Gallery, New Brighton, PA Aug 23 - Sept 15, - 1 piece

Jan Landini has work accepted in the following venues.

Latrobe Art Center Open, online show - June 1st - 30th

Your Favorite Thing Show - online now

Crosscurrents Art Exhibit, Stifel Center Olgelbay, [W.VA](#), June 25th - August 22nd - 2 pieces.

Merrick Masters 2020, Merrick Gallery, New Brighton, PA Aug 23 - Sept 15, - 1 piece

Joyce Frost will be 99 on July 20th. She recovered from her cough, is feeling pretty good, and is eagerly looking forward to her birthday. Let's try to "flood" her again with birthday cards! Between ESAL, church, and other friends and relatives, she should easily get 99!

The Murrysville Library is still not open to the public and might still not be open in July. I am keeping in touch with Amy, the director.

This is a notice that the printed copy of the Newsletter will be discontinued with the mailing of the June 2020 Newsletter. For those of you that have been receiving the printed copy, the Newsletter will be available via the ESAL web site. You can also receive the printed Newsletter if you send the Newsletter Editor an email address of a friend or relative who agrees to receive the ESAL Newsletter and is willing to make a printed copy for you.

"The Murrysville Woman's Club Art show has been cancelled" - we had a board meeting yesterday and in light of the ongoing virus concerns decided it would be prudent to cancel - we have it here at Redstone and they have a "no visitors" policy in force still and they have no idea when they will lift it

Betty Trout's pastel "Summer Glow" was accepted into the 46th Westmoreland Art Nationals to be displayed during the Arts & Heritage Festival in July. The show will now be held virtually, since the festival has been cancelled this year.

The 45th Annual Christian Art Show at Calvary Lutheran Church in Murrysville has been canceled for 2020 due to the pandemic. It will be rescheduled possibly in the spring or fall of 2021. Thank you to all who have participated in the past 44 years.

April 2020 ESAL Program Committee Report

As we make adjustments during these times of sequestering, ESAL is no exception. This past season, we have had a great line-up of programs to enlighten our artistic endeavors and the fall portion for the 2020-2021 year will be no exception.

Programs are being planned with hopes that we will be able to resume our meetings after some restrictions have been lifted. With modifications and adaptations, including masks, gloves, and social distancing, we might be able to resume our regular meeting schedule on September 3.

Of course, none of us want to place ourselves or our group at risk, and if the first possibility seems too hazardous, we could offer Zoom meetings - the presenters that have been contacted have agreed to use that option if it becomes necessary.

If there is a month when neither of those options works, we can share an excellent You Tube video that will be very informational for our group.

In any case, we feel that continuing the regularity of our ESAL meeting dates on the first Thursday of each month continues to unite our group, maintain its mission to educate, inspire, and encourage artists, and continues our presence within the community of local art enthusiasts.

NOMINATIONS REQUESTED FOR ESAL's UPCOMING ELECTION

As you all know, the upcoming ESAL positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer need candidates. If you are interested in serving your organization, please send me your name and qualifications by April 2nd. Thanks.
Ellen Spain, Coordinator for ESAL Nominations EllenSpain@comcast.net

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