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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

Greetings, everyone. Like many of you, I am missing having contact with my ESAL friends and everyone else that is in my social network. Yes, I have been keeping in touch via phone and online / texting, but that's not the same. I know we're all wondering when this pandemic will end and we can resume our "normal" routines, whatever that will be in the future! However, it looks like we're not out of the woods just yet. Take heart though – we are working on a way that we can resume our ESAL meetings and wonderful programs in the fall! Though it won't be in person yet, there are online platforms that we can use to not only have a speaker present their program, but for us to have a meeting afterwards as well!

Do not worry about any complicated technical programs to download. There will be none of that. Just a simple link to click on or a phone number to dial, and easy instructions. It's kind of fun! I have been doing this with other groups of friends and art buddies for several months now, and it will help us continue with each other so we feel like we are not missing out completely. More details on that later in August.

I am looking forward to the wonderful speakers that Nancy Dalverny, Tirzah Mason, and Jan Fiorina have lined up for us from September to November, and to even seeing some of your faces online soon.

Take heart, take care, and stay healthy.

Virtual hugs,

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

ESAL's New Season of Exciting Programs for Fall 2020

Ever up to the task of offering insights and information for its members, the ESAL Board is planning creative ways to learn and stay safe during the current pandemic situation. More information will follow in mid-August with specifics on the September, October, and November programs and how they will be shared to assure the safety of our valuable membership.

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

Larry Brandstetter is starting the art show up again at Redstone on July 3 or shortly there after. He will be there July and August.

Ellie was schedule for September.

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

Arlene Holtz is having an Isolation Art Show at the Spinning Plate Gallery at 5821 Baum Boulevard in East Liberty, Pittsburgh, PA (July3 – August 30, 2020). This "Window Shopping for Art Lovers" show marks her first solo show at the Gallery. Her show was originally planned before COVID-19 shut down many businesses and cultural events, but she wanted to make use of the opportunity anyway. The Spinning Plate Gallery, with its panoramic windows around two sides of the building, allows viewers to participate in a show that otherwise would be off-limits, since the majority of the work is hung in the windows and can be viewed from outside. Arlene can also be reached for individual appointments or to answer questions via phone or text (refer to your membership list).

The McKeesport Art Group will have a "members only" exhibit at Feathers Artist Market & Gifts August 1 through August 30. Feathers is located at 102 Fourth Street, Irwin, PA.

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. Thanks.

Ellen Spain, Coordinator for ESAL Nominations EllenSpain@comcast.net

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

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.

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

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