

POTTSTOWN AREA ARTISTS GUILD~ January, 2010



Sketchpad

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The PAAG meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month except for December, July and August at the Hill School Center for the Arts at Beech and Sheridan Streets in Pottstown. The Board Meeting is at 6:30 p.m. The General Meeting is at 7:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

THIS IS THE LAST SKETCHPAD! FOR JANUARY 2010.

**And almost the last chance to exhibit your work in the PAAG Members' Art Show at Historic Yellow Springs in February!
Details on the PAAG website and in The Nov-Dec '09 Sketchpad.**

To exhibit you must:

Pay your Dues (\$25) or renew your membership before the show or join the PAAG as a new member.

Membership information is on the PAAG website.



NOTE~ Redesigned membership cards will be given out shortly after a new PAAG logo is selected at the January meeting.

Many designs were submitted for the PAAG logo contest. The voting is for current members only. The logo submissions are numbered and on the PAAG website PAAG.info. Some of the designs have more of a finished look than others—but they are not finished art. Choose the ONE that you think will best identify the PAAG.

Remember it should be as easily readable at a one inch size as it will be at a large size.



That is important!

E-mail the number you pick to paag-email@comcast.net or call 610.326.5415 and leave your name and the number you've chosen on the answering machine **NO LATER THAN MONDAY JANUARY 18TH. If you attend the Tuesday, January 19th meeting you can vote there. The votes will be counted at the meeting and a new logo chosen!**

Weather Alert... If the Pottstown schools are closed due to bad weather, our January meeting will be cancelled. WPAZ 1370 AM and nbc10 tv will have that information it will also be posted on our website.

At the November meeting...



Alan MacBain treated the members at the November meeting to a great show and tell about his award-winning career as a cartoonist and illustrator. Alan has worked as an editorial cartoonist, a children’s book illustrator, He’s worked for advertising agencies; he’s done album covers for rock groups-even going on tour with them! And he is a wonderful caricaturist.

There was some kind of story, funny or interesting, connected with every piece of work that he showed us. Alan has great talent and we thank him for sharing his time with us.

At the January 2010 meeting...

Margaret Almon is our guest...



Margaret has been making mosaics since she moved into a house 5 years ago, with a studio where she can nip glass. She has taken mosaic classes at the Main Line Art Center, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts and Snow Farm: The New England Craft Program. She sells her work online at her Etsy shop, <http://nutmegdesigns.etsy.com> and also does fine craft shows with her husband Wayne Stratz, a stained glass artist. She lives in Lansdale.

Mosaics have a magic in their nature, in the way many pieces come together to make a whole that is energetic, catching the light with many facets. It's not putting a puzzle together, but building a home for joy to live, like the nautilus with it's many chambers. I will be bringing an array of glass mosaics, including mandalas, and designs inspired by traditional quilt patterns. I will also bring samples of different kinds of tesserae, tools, and demonstrate some of the process of creating a mosaic.



Check out Margaret’s website for more information.

<http://margaretalmon.com>

The 2009 Holiday Part was a Blast!

Everyone had a great time, the food was delectable, the centerpiece designed by Scott Rothenberger was stunning and the fund-raising raffle was again a great success! As you can see here, **Larry Knoeller** was again a big winner. His prize, a beautiful scarf...uh, Larry’s head must have been chilly!



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The Party continues!

Here's a note from Beverly Nuzzo who did such a wonderful job organizing the raffle and helping to make the PAAG 2009 Holiday Party the fun time it was.

“A Christmas party with the PAAG is where you want to be! We had so much wonderful food it was difficult to leave the table. Then we noticed the dessert table. Both were lavishly decorated by Scott Rothenberger (designbyplace.com) from Barto, PA. He set all this up for free. I met him at the Boyertown Art Show and he said he would help us.

Thank you all for the food and so many raffle items. This year we had a lot of artsy items. We had oils, watercolors, pressed flowers, sculptures, paperweights, calendars, cards, clothing, food baskets and fun stuff. If you weren't there-- aren't you sorry you missed all this? Thanks to all who helped make this great fun.

Beverly Nuzzo

P.S. I didn't eat the last shrimp—it was someone's husband!

And some of the winners were:



Clockwise from the top left...
**Beverly Nuzzo, Ken DoPretoro,
Terry Souders, Devon and
Marley Stackonis (winners and
Beverly's enthusiastic helpers)
and Bob Hakun! (Not all the
winners-but the ones I had
decent pictures of!)**



Send your interesting links to:

paag-email@comcast.net

Check out these websites for shows and events!

<http://www.galleryonhigh.com/> Gallery on High, Pottstown

<http://www.gnal.org/> Greater Norristown Art League

<http://www.readingpublicmuseum.org/> Reading Public Museum

<http://www.philamuseum.org/> Philadelphia Museum of Art

<http://www.mc3.edu/> Montgomery County Community College

<http://www.michenermuseum.org> James A. Michener Museum

www.yellowsprings.org Historic Yellow Springs

If any member needs a ride to a meeting or event those of us with cars will do our best to try to give you a lift. Call Dave Manak 610.326.5415 starpoke@comcast.net - or any PAAG Board member and we'll try to help you.

What's Happening at...

Montgomery County Community College –Pottstown Art Gallery.

The Three Susans

Susannah Hart Thomer, Susan E. Klinger, Susan Williamson
Watercolor and Pastel

Wednesday, January 20, 2010 to Friday, March 26, 2010

Come “Meet the Artists” Opening Reception: Wednesday, February 10, 2010.

Gallery on High—Downtown Pottstown.

Student Faculty Show January 16-January 30

Winter Member Show February 6 - March 20

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This picture submitted by Bob Hakun of the Pottstown Polar Bear Club on New Year's day. A Picture is worth a thousand words!

