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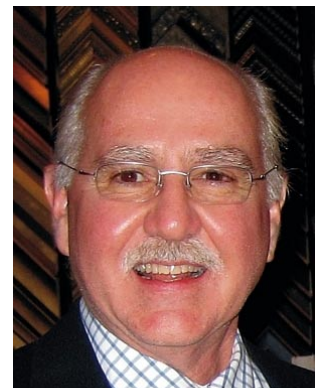
The PAAG meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month except for December, July and August at the Hill School Center for the Arts at Beech and Sheridan Streets in Pottstown. The Board Meeting is at 6:30 p.m. The General Meeting is at 7:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

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**Happy New Year PAAG Members and Friends...**  
and here's a note from past PAAG president, Terry Souders:

## Opening Night

Well once again the PAAG pulled one off! And, I believe it was even better than last year (and that is not just because there were two, count 'em, two trays of shrimp). This year's opening night reception for our Holiday Art Show was wall-to-wall people on two floors of the gallery packed with an assorted cast of interesting characters. And, didn't we all feel just a little more sophisticated with the lovely lilting sounds of Betsy Scott Chapman's harp in the background? As always, it was the perfect opportunity to talk to your fellow artists and to learn a little more about them and their art. And what an interesting assortment of styles, techniques, and subjects for their art! There was something for everyone. Thanks to all who helped make this show another success and congratulations to those who actually sold some work.



Terry Souders

Of course none of this is possible without the dedication of time by our members. Everyone again pitched in not only to help each other but also to help promote the Pottstown Area Artists Guild. If we keep this up maybe someday we all will have our fifteen minutes.

A special note of thanks to Bob Hakun and Kalil's Printing for the great work on the program. It turned out even better than last year's. It certainly adds a great deal of professionalism to our organization and lets the public know what we are really about. And, once again, thanks to Erika and Cathy for their help in this endeavor. We could not have done it without them.      T.S.

**-----Attention all members: Special Announcement !-----**

The membership vote to determine if the Guild will move our headquarters from the Hill School to Gallery on High is being postponed until February. Detailed information will be coming to you via email or mail shortly so you can make an informed decision on your vote. *Thanks, The Board*

*...as for the food and fun at the show...*

The Artist's Reception for our Show was wonderful! So many people—so much food! We do like to talk and eat. Every tray that came in the door was beautiful and tasty. Good thing our Show was *before* Christmas—we could eat and eat and not worry about a weight gain. Our members deserve a big **THANK YOU** for all the refreshments they graciously shared! Martha Murphy and Meredith Bennett were in charge of the food.

We also had a successful raffle. Lots of great gifts that brought \$180.00 to our treasury. The young girls selling tickets were adorable with their sales pitch. Ashley Kolpac, Arianna Zarillo, Hannah Schell and Deanna Zarillo were our sales girls. Paula Stackonis and Katy Krieg picked the winning numbers.



Thank you all!...Bev Nuzzo

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### *November's Speaker*

**Holly Cairns**, the director of the Gallery at Montgomery County Community College's Pottstown Campus, gave a talk to PAAG members at our November 21st meeting. The meeting was held at the MCCC Gallery at High and Manatawny Sts. Holly talked about her long involvement with pottery making and her mother's pottery.



**Holly Cairns**

She gave very her views about the future of the arts in Pottstown (very upbeat!) and talked about the future plans for growth of the MCCC campus in Pottstown.

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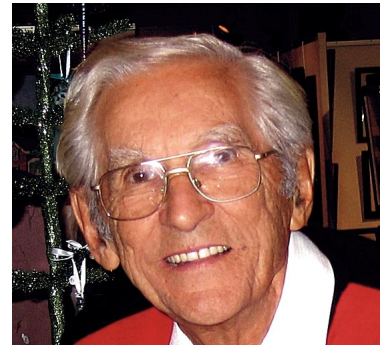
### **A letter from the President**

**PAAG is still looking for more new people to become actively involved in helping to run and organize Guild activities. Please think about joining the Board! Talk to a current Board Member or come to a Board Meeting (starting at 6:30 before the demonstration) to learn how you might help make the PAAG a better organization!**



*...on a very sad note...*

**PAAG member, Art Nuzzo, passed away in November and here is a note from his wife Beverly Nuzzo...**



**Art Nuzzo**

I owe many, many thanks to the Guild board and all members who are helping our family thru the loss of Arthur Nuzzo. We received cards, phone calls, food, flowers and comfort over the last several weeks. Special thanks to Bob Hakun for the tribute to Art with his special talent of digital art. I will share the pictures with our three children. We appreciate all the money sent in for the **Art Nuzzo Scholarship Fund** for high school senior students of photography. Art was interested very early in composition, reflections and framing of objects. He was a quiet, generous, family-loving man. We all miss him very much.

Blessings to all,  
The Nuzzo Family

***The PAAG will miss Art greatly and our hearts go out to his family.***

**Gretchen Lea will be this month's speaker and the topic is Interior Design.** Gretchen says that *Good design requires that an area functions well and is pleasing not only to the eye, but also one's comfort. Creativity makes this possible.*

**Gretchen Lea / Interior Design** has served the Berks, Montgomery, Chester and Philadelphia County Area for over thirty years.

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To become a member, complete the registration form and send it with your dues to:  
PAAG, c/o Mary Bellini, Membership Chairperson, 949 N. Hills Blvd. Pottstown, PA 19464

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***Pottstown Area Artists Guild Membership Dues 2006/2007...\$20.***

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## **artists wanted...**

Location: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Pottstown, 1565 South Keim Street, Pottstown, 19465

Date: Saturday, February 24, 2007

Time: 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Drop off for Artwork: Friday, February 23, 2007 from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm, if this is not convenient special arrangements can be made by calling Stephanie Fulwood at 484-769-8392 or Jeanne Bautista at 484-792-1005

Limit: 5 pieces per artist

A list of pieces, title, medium and price must be included with all pieces. We will provide the display tags. (Registration forms will be available at the PAAG meeting). Information about the artist is also appreciated for our program. We will have display screens, but if someone has three dimensional pieces and wants to bring their own display stands, we appreciate it. Also, prints, cards, portfolios, etc are welcome and display racks for those will be allowed. The Fellowship will keep a 30% commission on any sales, and checks to artists will be processed in a very reasonable amount of time. Anyone may check with Bob Hakun for references on the organization and the way the Art Show was run last year. Several of the members of PAAG showed (and sold) pieces at last years show.

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## **The Gallery School of Pottstown Student and Faculty Art Show**

Reception Friday, Jan. 12, 5-8pm.

Free and open to the public.

Show runs through Jan. 27 at Gallery on High 254 High St. Pottstown

610.326.2506 [www.galleryonhigh.com](http://www.galleryonhigh.com)

New classes starting at the Gallery School of Pottstown in mid-January

***Check it out!***

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## **PAAG member, Sue Ploppert honored by Creative Health Services, Inc.**



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**Sue's work won first place and she received a cash prize for her piece in a 2006 holiday card contest sponsored by Creative Health Services, Inc. (an outpatient mental health, symptom management and recovery organization). Congratulations, Sue from all of us!**