

## WCAA NEWSLETTER MARCH-APRIL 2005

### MEMBERS MEETING.

Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful afternoon that brought about 40 people out to WCAA's quarterly members meeting. The Executive Committee is chairing the Program Committee and outlined some of the full schedule of events to come. Announcements follow throughout the newsletter. Members spoke about their interests and many good ideas were expressed. David Wolf played and sang a selection of lovely ballads. Everyone socialized over delicious pastries, thanks to Fran and Louis Gruber, in the elegant Central Park Gallery, graciously opened to WCAA by Marilyn and Jerry Swendsen.



*WCAA members in attendance*



*David Wolf singing/playing for members*

### MONDAY NIGHT MOVIES ON MAIN

The program was a great success thanks to the generosity of Jeryl and Bayard Denoie for the use of Café Deja Vu, Zoot for the use of equipment and David Justice, Liz Kedrick and Mary Colgan for organization and promotion. Many thanks.....



*Ioannis Glykokokalos presents a plaque to Jeryl Denoie of Cafe Deja Vu*

### NATURE'S GRACE

The Artist of the Month showcase has been a great success this year, thanks to Jamie Stunkard and his efficient staff. It will continue for another twelve months. March brings the work of John Rocklin and April shows Naomi Teppich's art.

### LIFE DRAWING

April 7th at Joan Hill's Studio, Bethany. Please call Hugh at 224-0077 for details.

### ADIRONDACK CHAIR PROJECT

The Wayne County Seats is the official name for this summer's fun and fund raiser for the WCAA. We've picked a quality adirondack style chair that folds for ease and has 5 large slats for the back. We will get some chairs painted white and some will be delivered natural. The merchants are reserving their front row seats for this main event and as soon as we get the chairs delivered, we will get in contact with artists who signed on. (We would love to have them by the beginning of April, but it may take longer). To date, we have 22 sponsoring merchants and they keep on coming in! Stay tuned and as the winter melts away, get your creativity flowing! The chairs' debut will once again be Memorial Weekend. For the same weekend, the Honesdale Partnership is planning an Arts and Antiques Weekend event.

### INTERNATIONAL FOOD TASTING FUND RAISER

The date has been set for Sunday, May 15th, 3-6 p.m. at the Methodist Hall, Church St, Honesdale. \$10 per person. Additional seating will be in the Wesley Room and take-outs will be available. The customary excellent variety of ethnic and American favorites will be served by our talented member cooks.

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Susan and Steven Bleier, Laura Sullivan, Armen Dallakian, Hana and Ed Marritz, Karen Schmeckpeper, Elma Braunstein, Bianca Davis, Thomas Tressler and Carol Zawislak.

### FIRST FRIDAY at the GALLERY

A new WCAA project will feature artists showcasing their new artwork on the first Friday of every month from 4 - 8 pm at the Central Park Gallery, Honesdale. Refreshments and musical entertainment will add to the geniality of the evening. May will feature new works by Ioannis Glykokokalos. June highlights the work of Trix Render. For information please call Trix Render at 224-0602.

### ART SALES

Helpful information about selling art offered by member Nancy Boyer at the January meeting:

[www.Harrislist.com](http://www.Harrislist.com)

[www.Sunshineartists.com](http://www.Sunshineartists.com)

[www.Hawleywallenpaupackcc.com](http://www.Hawleywallenpaupackcc.com) Two shows in Hawley. One in mid-June and the other in mid-September. You may e-mail them for an application: This is an outdoor show, rain or shine. It has been going on for years and is well attended.

### THANK YOU

Many thanks to Christine P. Martinez for her generous donation to WCAA's arts programming.

## BOOK REVIEW

Member Jan Grote reviews THE KITE RUNNER by Khaled Hosseini

This first, powerful novel by Mr. Hosseini is set in his beloved Afghanistan and covers 30 years of political change in the country (from peaceful monarchy, to the invasion of Russian, to the takeover by the Taliban and, finally, to the invasion of U.S. troops after 9/11). Hosseini colorfully portrays the Afghan people's customs and traditions, and through his complex cast of characters brings us to know and admire them. The story is about the unlikely friendship of two young boys growing up in Kabul and how a series of tragic events tests their friendship to the breaking point and beyond. These events play out against a backdrop of Afghanistan's political strife. It is a story of love, betrayal, redemption and hope.

This is a beautifully written book, simple yet powerful, heartbreaking yet uplifting. I couldn't put it down!!

## HABIT FOR HUMANITY OF WAYNE COUNTY

Habitat for Humanity seeks artists willing to donate artwork for use in fund raising efforts. Please consider the following:

### DO YOU HAVE A WARM, SAFE PLACE TO LIVE THIS WINTER?

Many people don't. For more than a decade, the Wayne County Chapter of Habitat for Humanity has been building homes for deserving families. And with your help we will be able to continue to do this one family at a time.

We are asking the members of the Wayne County Arts Alliance for their help by donating a piece of art that can be raffled off at our fund raising venues. Because the Wayne chapter is an all volunteer organization, all of the monies raised at these events go to the building of homes. If you would like to assist our less fortunate neighbors, please call Janice at 570-226-9053 or Anne at 570-253-5713. For information on Wayne County Habitat for Humanity log onto their Web site at: [www:rileycorners.com/habitat](http://www.rileycorners.com/habitat)

## OPPORTUNITIES

The River Reporter invites manuscripts on the theme of **joy** for publication in the 2005 Literary Gazette;

Faced with daily news stories about death, disease, danger and destruction, we often forget that there is another side of human existence we don't hear much about, an essential and no doubt common experience, that of Joy.

How does joy manifest itself? Some find joy through the creative process, in the solitude of nature, with family. What does joy feel like? How often have you observed joy in others? Joy can be easily in children. Do the elderly also manifest moments or indeed whole lives filled with joy? What about animals? Certainly pets bring their owners joy, but do animals experience the emotion as well?

Send poems (up to 60 lines) and prose, including essays and short stories (up to 1000 words), to

The Literary Gazette  
P. O. Box 150  
Narrowsburg, NY 12764  
ATTN: Marcia Nehemiah

Do NOT include your name on your submission form. Attach a separate sheet of paper with your name, address, phone number, short bio of three or four lines and your email address. If your work is chosen, you may be asked to send an email with the electronic file of your work.

Do not send handwritten work. Include a self addressed stamped envelope with sufficient postage if you want your work returned. Deadline for submission is May 23.

#### ART OF THE STATE: PA 2005

Applications are now available for the State Museum of PA, Harrisburg, PA competition and exhibit, June 18- Sept 11, 2005. The deadline for applying is March 14<sup>th</sup>. Open to established and emerging PA artists, it is a competitive, juried art exhibition in five categories: painting, works on paper, photography, sculpture and craft, and is juried by distinguished judges from around the Mid-Atlantic region. There is a purchase prize. For more information and application forms go to [www.statemuseumpa.org](http://www.statemuseumpa.org) or call Lee Stevens, curator, 717-783-9904, email [nstevens@state.pa.us](mailto:nstevens@state.pa.us)

#### "PENWOMANSHIP"

A new magazine is seeking writing, art and photography submissions. April 2005 is the launch date for the magazine by and for the creative woman. Penwomanship has a dream: that women everywhere will write, submit and read what they have to offer. For more information go to [www.penwomanship.com](http://www.penwomanship.com)

#### FOR RENT

Small 3 Bedroom Cape House in Damascus, Pennsylvania. \$650 per month with separate utilities. Unfurnished. Looking for single person or couple, possibly a writer or artist who would love to live and work right on the Delaware River. This cottage would also be a perfect home-base for a landscape painters time-share, for artists who want to sketch and paint outdoors on the Delaware River and surrounding wooded areas. Phone: 570-224-8186.

2 Room Cottage in Damascus, Pennsylvania. \$350 per month with separate utilities. Unfurnished. Great for a writer from the New York City, Jersey City area who needs to spend quiet time focusing on his/her work. This cottage would also be a perfect home-base for a landscape painters time-share, for artists who want to sketch and paint outdoors on the Delaware River and surrounding wooded areas. Phone: 570-224-8186.