

Wayne County Arts Alliance Newsletter April 2006

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New Members

We warmly welcome new individual members: Johan Sellenraad, Ed Parkinson, Terri Parrish, Micheline Lukianovich, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pender, Jr., and Kelley Cunningham

The International Food Tasting:
Supporting the arts never tasted so good

The Wayne County Arts Alliance will hold its 4th annual International Food Tasting on April 30, 2006, from 3-6 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Honesdale High School on Terrace Street in Honesdale. This unique event features mouth-watering cuisine from many regions, countries, and cultures including: Armenia, Asia, Australia, Belgium, Chile, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, India, Italy, Guatemala, Holland, the Middle East, Morocco, Poland, Slovakia, Sweden, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, and the

United States. Many of the participating cooks wear traditional dress and are happy to share information about the cultures they represent while they serve their food. Several vegetarian dishes will be among the offerings. Every year, guests rave about the food, but it is the infectious happy mood of the event that has made it such a success.

Food will be prepared by well-known local chefs from restaurants and establishments such as: Café Deja Vu, Cora's 1850 Bistro, Glinsky's Kitchen Capers, The Himalayan Institute, J.J. Mack's, Jill's Kitchen, Nature's Grace, Patisserie du Jour, The Settlers Inn, Tick Tocks and Torte Knox.

Members and friends of the Wayne County Arts Alliance will be dishing up their own ethnic specialties as well. This year's lineup boasts more variety and talent than ever before. Among the participants are a 2006 James Beard Foundation honoree, the founder of a noted cooking school, and an acclaimed French chef and host of the PBS documentary 'Tales from the Vineyard'.

Each year the International Food Tasting has grown in size and popularity. This year the event has been moved to a larger venue with more parking. Please note the new location at the Honesdale High School, 459 Terrace Street. Tickets can be purchased at the door. The cost is \$10 for eight samples, with 50 dishes and desserts to choose from. Soda, juice, and additional samples are \$1 each. Coffee and tea are complimentary.

LIBRARY FEST 2006

Call for Entries Deadline April 15

Thanks to the Wayne County Public Library, the Big White Tent will be available to artists again this year for our Library Fest Art Show and Sale. Library Fest will be held on Sat., June 17, at the library on North Main St. in Honesdale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

As in past years, organized children's events such as the Sidewalk Chalk Art activity and a bake sale by the Friends of the Library will be part of the festivities. Artists will be expected to set up their areas and provide their own original art work, fabric for the table, small display racks if needed, easels, portfolios, stands, hanging and displaying materials, signs, business cards, information, price tags, labels, etc.

The library will provide one table, approximately 8' x 3' and several chairs per artist. Exhibit space is approximately 6' x 10'. There are no walls to the tent. An artist can set up outside of the tent as long as the setup is on library property and not blocking the entrance to the tent area. No electricity is available.

There is no fee for exhibiting and no commission on sales. With room for only 20 artists, it's imperative to reserve your space by April 15. To become an exhibitor, contact Nancy Wells at 570-224-4192 or nancywellsart@yahoo.com. To volunteer, contact Donie Schmidt (mrsdonie@ptd.net), who will coordinate the event on the day of the exhibit.

Bus Trip to Corning Glassworks

The WCAA will sponsor an excursion to one of the premier glass exhibits of the world, the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, NY. The museum offers a visual panorama of artistic glassworks as well as glass treasures made by internationally renowned artists. Trip also includes a visit to the Rockwell Museum,

which holds several pieces by famed western artist Remington.

Date and Departure: Sat. May 13. Leaving at 8:30 a.m. from 4th and Main St. (Behind St. Mary's Church)
Return: Same day in the early evening. Price: WCAA Members \$39.00 Non-Members \$49.00 Includes bus fare, entry to Corning Glass, with guided tour and Rockwell Museum. Lunch on your own. RSVP by April 10.

Bus Trip to Lincoln Center

NYC to see "The Light in the Piazza" on Sun., May 21, for the 3 p.m. Show. Trip sponsored by St. John the Evangelist Church. Cost for the bus and play is \$79.00. We are also offering a one-hour tour of Lincoln Center. Cost for the tour is \$9.50 for adults and \$8.50 for students and senior citizens. Call the parish office at 253-4561

WCAA 'Literary Evenings' Series Opens With A Bang AND THE SUBJECT IS WAR

Join us for our first 2006 meeting of the "Short Readings" series – Saturday, April 29th at 7:00 PM at Joan Hill's Art Studio in Bethany. This program, devoted to the literary arts, is open to all and the subject for April 29th is "War and Preemptive War."

John F. Kennedy, in a speech he delivered in 1963 honoring the poet Robert Frost stated:

"If sometimes our great artists have been the most critical of our society, it is because their sensitivity and their concern for justice, which must motivate any true artist, makes him aware that our Nation falls short of its highest potential. I see little of more importance to the future of our country and our civilization than full recognition of the place of the artist."

Whether you support or oppose or are confused by the Washington Administration's current foreign policy, join us for what will likely be an interesting use of words to express outrage or confidence or indifference about the current state of affairs. Please note: this is not a debate. It is an opportunity to read your poetry, or story, essay or letter on the subject of "War and Preemptive War." All points of view will be represented. Please leave a copy of your work with WCAA, as we are compiling a collection of works from local writers. The program is 50% planned speakers and 50% open mic and will end promptly at 9:00 PM. Refreshments will be provided.

Future 2006 meetings, on various topics, for the Spring and Fall are the last Saturday of the month: May 27th, June 24th, September 30th, October 28th, and November 25th.

To reach Joan Hill's Art Studio from downtown Honesdale: follow Route 6 to Route 191 North, ½ mile, bear left to Route 670, approximately 3 miles through Bethany, right on Ash Street, Joan Hill's house is white, 8/10 mile on left. For additional information, please call Frances Gruber at 570-253-5400 or email: frangruber@aol.com.

MULTITUDE OF ART EVENTS IN HONESDALE SET FOR "ART & ANTIQUES WEEKEND"

After the fasting of winter and the feasting in April at the International Food Tasting, it's time to step a little livelier in late May. With all that is blooming in the natural world, the arts suddenly come to life also, exploding with the pent-up energy conserved over a quiet winter spent dreaming and planning.

Art and Antiques Weekend, which runs from Friday, May 26, through Sunday, May 28, is expected to draw a large crowd of out-of-towners and natives. Both will be seeking sweet deals on nostalgic items of the past as well as viewing the displayed art works and taking part in the downtown activities planned by the Greater Honesdale Partnership, the Wayne County Arts Alliance, and many other organizations.

On Friday, artists and merchants participate together in the unveiling of the giant, decorated birdhouses that will be on display throughout the summer at many locations in Wayne County. These eye-catching aviaries known collectively as "Home Tweet Home," will serve as a fundraiser for the WCAA when they are auctioned off to the highest bidder in August.

On Saturday, the WCAA will provide musicians performing under the pavilion on Main Street. Nearby will be a table where you can purchase "Home Tweet Home" tee shirts in many colors and sizes. There will also be a Stained Glass Walking Tour through some of the local churches led by WCAA member, Mort Malkin.

On Sunday more music at a different location and a children's project called "Bird Buddies," co-sponsored by the Greater Honesdale Partnership and the WCAA. "Bird Buddies" is an artist-supervised activity that ties into the "Home Tweet Home" program with its miniature, wooden birdhouses to paint and take-home for a minimal materials fee of \$5. Email Meegan at meegs3@aol.com to make reservations. Reservations must be made in advance for the "Bird Buddies" children's activity, which will be held from 12 noon to 4 p.m. in the parking lot next to Gretchen's Grotto on Main Street in Honesdale.

Merchants desiring to sponsor birdhouses or artists wishing to participate, may contact Ellen Silberlicht (570) 253-0285 or teachart@ptd.net.

Fine Arts Students of the Month for February

In January 2006 the Wayne County Arts Alliance began presenting three Fine Arts Student of the Month Awards to outstanding students from Wallenpaupack, Western Wayne, and Wayne Highlands school districts each month. The prestige of this award is accompanied by a monetary award of fifty dollars. Students are recommended for the awards by their teachers.

Wayne Highlands

Hannah Carey is the daughter of James and Ann Carey of Lake Como, PA. Active in the arts program at Honesdale H.S., she is a member of both the National Honor Society and the National Art Honor Society. Her current project is working on the set for the Wayne Highlands Middle School's production of *Aladdin, Jr.* This past December, Hannah was selected to paint the windows at the Honesdale Post Office. She has volunteered with the Arts Alliance for several events including the International Foods Festival and the

Wayne Deer Games. Recent awards for her artwork include: the Gold Key Award at the 2006 Scholastic Arts Show, two Silver Key Awards, first place in Division 4 Northeastern District Festival of the Arts, and she was ranked first in the GFWC PA Festival of the Arts in her division. Hannah plans to major in Graphic Design in college.

Western Wayne

Sarah Davis is the daughter of Mark and Christine Davis of Lake Ariel, PA. Her work has earned her Silver and Gold Key Awards at the Scholastic Art Awards for the past few years and she was recently featured as the WVIA TV Art Student of the Week. In addition to the many advanced placement academic courses in which she is currently enrolled, Sarah develops her interest in the arts by activities such as participating in "Arts Alive," a summer arts training program, and successfully competing for art awards. Her senior portfolio has been displayed at the Marywood University Art Show. Sarah's variety of interests shows in her three varsity letters and a varsity jacket. She placed on the Regional and State levels in the FBLA. Ms. Davis plans on attending college in the Fall as an Art Major.

Wallenpaupack

Mr. James Lavoy is the son of Tammy and Lester Lavoy of Greentown, PA. James is active in student council, forensics, National Honor Society, WAHS TV Video Club, and Yearbook Club, and serves as president for the WAHS Players, the Band, the Choir, and History Club. This year, he was a member of the drama competition piece titled *The Crucible*, which earned 3rd place at the All State Competition. Within the community Mr. Lavoy has volunteered with the Hawley Library, The American Guild of Handbell Ringers, Hemlock Community Association, and the Moravian Board of World Mission. Mr. Lavoy also sings with the Barbershop Chorus in Honesdale. Upon graduation, James plans on attending college to study Anthropology and Broadcasting.

Children's Art Exhibit on Display at WCAA's New Office

The rotating Children's Art Exhibit became a reality through the efforts of Suzanne Putzi, WCAA Board member, who approached officials and teachers at the Stourbridge Primary Center and Lakeside Elementary School. Mrs. Paula Brennan, the principal of the Primary Center, directed the WCAA to art teacher, Nicole Curtis. Mrs. Curtis made available the artwork of Mrs. Short's first grade class, which resulted in the creation of the Children's Art Exhibit on the walls of the WCAA office.

The exhibit consists of about a dozen selected pieces created around a theme and will rotate every four weeks. The first theme was friendship and diversity relating to the January celebration of Martin Luther King Day. The current display features cardinals is provided by Mrs. Hadley's first grade class. Future plans are to include artwork from other grade levels in the Wayne Highlands public school district.

Although we are still pre-Grand Opening, everyone is invited to drop in downtown to check out the new digs and enjoy the Children's Art Exhibit. Office hours are Monday through Saturday 10-12N.

Ribbon-cutting Ceremony for New Arts Alliance Office

The date for the Grand Opening festivities at the new WCAA office in downtown Honesdale will be coordinated with the Arts & Antiques Weekend activities. Plans include a ribbon-cutting ceremony and the official opening of the rotating Children's Art

Exhibit.

Designed by artist, Jeff George, the sign will be installed on the building announcing the presence of the Wayne County Arts Alliance headquarters on the second floor of 742 Main Street.

Owners of the building, WCAA members Steve and Suzanne Putzi, graciously donated a 2-room office suite at nominal rent for the use of the WCAA to conduct its meetings and other business. WCAA funds were used to furnish the office with a computer and printer, a conference table, and other necessary office furniture and equipment.

Contest - Win a free year's membership and HTH T-Shirt!

The WCAA needs a newsletter title that speaks to its mission of coloring the lives of Wayne County (which, by the way was the winning 'slogan contest' entry last year). If you think you can come up with a name for the monthly online newsletter that's catchier than "Wayne County Arts Alliance Newsletter," email it to wcaa@waynecountyartsalliance.org before April 30. If your entry is selected, you will receive a free one-year membership to the WCAA as well as a "Home Tweet Home" T-Shirt.

WCAA AND WAYNE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL JOIN HANDS IN ARTISTIC EFFORT

On Monday, March 20, thirteen works of art were hung in the conference room in the new wing of the hospital. Lisa Champeau, Public Relations Manager at the hospital, worked with WCAA President Yanni Glykokokalos to display the art on the long wall of the conference room. "I love the idea of hanging this show on the first day of Spring," she remarked. "It's an opening to light and color."

Works of art that have been chosen for the first of three, 4-month rotating exhibits were selected for their ability to portray artistic elements that represent an influential movement, genre, or national culture as well as to speak to practical purposes such as space. They include watercolors, oils, acrylics, prints, fiber arts, photographs, and mixed media. The artists whose works will be featured in the first segment include Rob Sepanek, Janet Gaglione, Nancy Wells, John Rocklin, Jeff George, Ellen Silberlicht, Yanni Glykokokalos, George Puchmajer, Liba Puchmajer, Karen Schmeckpeper, Charles Woods, Roger Hill, and Naomi Teppich.

Please watch the local papers for an announcement of the art opening. Artists who wish to display their work at the hospital may call WCAA President, Yanni Glykokokalos, at (570) 253-1000 for more details.

REVIEWS...

The Year Of Magical Thinking
Winner of the National Book Award

by Joan Didion

In the aftermath of her husband's sudden death on December 30, 2003 of a massive heart attack while enjoying a pre-dinner drink in their New York apartment, Joan Didion has written a book about grief; not a sentimental journey, not a join-clubs-make-new-friends advice tome, but a book of surreal days that offers a ride below the surface of the assumptions of everyday reality.

To compound the impact, Joan and her husband, writer John Gregory Dunne, had just returned to their apartment after visiting their daughter, Quintana, in a coma from flu complications since a few days before Christmas. In an instant, the immediate family in whose joy her being took meaning, moved from current reality to phantom belief. And Joan herself, who had always been taught that in information resides control, became a fisher in a sea of omens, a second-guesser in a world where, if quantum physicists were right, time might run as easily backward as forward.

Ms. Didion talks to the reader in both real time and subjective time, aggressively arcing across the vortexes of self-pity that link with memory at familiar neighborhood landmarks as well as more subtle resemblances whose memory echoes have the power to call a vortex out of thin air. Clarity was the reward for avoiding self-pity; the clarity to observe and to be surprised by the things she found happening in her mind even after she had placed her husband's ashes in the chapel at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

On most surface levels I seemed rational. To the average observer I would have appeared to fully understand that death was irreversible.

I had done it. I had acknowledged that he was dead. I had done this in as public a way as I could conceive.

Yet my thinking on this point remained suspiciously fluid.

"Bringing him back" had been through those months my hidden focus, a magic trick. By late summer I was beginning to see this clearly. "Seeing it clearly" did not yet allow me to give away the clothes he would need.

Joan Didion's courage in writing "The Year Of Magical Thinking" put me in mind of stories I had read of Christian martyrs who had been burned at the stake for their beliefs. Those who were burning would sometimes hold an arm up as a prearranged signal to encourage others to become martyrs, an indication that the suffering was noble and bearable.

Ms. Didion does much the same thing by drawing the participation of the reader's attention into a layered approach to understanding the body's and mind's grief reactions and mourning processes. On the layer of immediacy she shares her remembrances of the first moments after her husband's sudden death by heart attack, letting the reader share the burning. On another layer she speaks to the reader's need to triumph over life-changing

circumstances by clearing the swirling smoke for a short breath:

In time of trouble, I had been trained since childhood, read, learn, work it up, go to the literature. Information was control.

With the same calm voice, now sans rationality, she admits to a primitive and unsupportable belief that by refusing to allow his organs to be harvested and keeping one pair of his shoes and one suit in the closet, he will be able to return

This courageous woman and accomplished writer looks deeply into the divide where "He's not coming back" and "He might return" share equal validity. She lives it for a year and a day, burning, so that the reader watching her burn may take courage to believe that through the intense sufferings of grief and its inescapable transformations upon our lives we may endure.

~ Book Review Contributed by Nancy Dymond

Art Career Day at Honesdale High School

On March 8th, Alex Griffis, a junior at Honesdale High School, invited members of the Wayne County Arts Alliance up to Honesdale High school to share their work and their art experiences with all the art students. Alex created this event for her senior project. It was a wonderful morning of sharing and laughing. "Each artist has taken such an interesting journey which has lead them to their current creative lifestyle," shared Alex. "It was very informative to hear each artist's unique adventure. When you hear so many different stories, you know that the road which incorporates art in your life is not a highway....but a lot of scenic routes along the way." It was a great way to connect, for both the artists and the students.

The Consumer Science Department prepared a lunch for the artists and students so they could exchange more of their experiences before the students returned to their regularly scheduled classes. Alex's art teacher, Ellen Silberlicht, will extend this event into The Wayne County Arts Alliance Student Club next year, where the area artists will be invited to come to the Wednesday morning club period to talk more extensively about their work and their process.

Roots & Rhythm Music and Arts Festival

On Saturday, June 24, the first annual free downtown blues and jazz music festival, co-sponsored with GHP, will bring top talent to Central Park, Honesdale.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m., artists will be exhibiting on 9th St., local musicians will perform on Main Street, The Great Popcorn Machine will be spewing out popcorn, and much more!

The main event will be held in Central Park from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. For further info about artist booths and activities, contact the WCAA office at 570-253-6850.

Attention Crafters: Do You Knit or Crochet?

Texas No. 4 Ladies Auxiliary is looking for volunteers to knit or crochet afghans for our annual afghan bingo. We pay for the yarn. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jackie Murphy 253-8910.

GET INVOLVED WITH THE ARTS

Below is an abbreviated list of the events and tasks available. You may pick up a complete list and volunteer form at the new WCAA office on the second floor of 742 Main St., Honesdale or call WCAA Director, Liz Kedrick, at (570) 253-6850.

Volunteer opportunities exist for the following events:

Artists' Studio Tour, Aug. 25, 26, and 27, needs brochure distributors.

Literary Evenings, beginning again on Sat., April 29 at 7 p.m. at Joan Hill's studio, needs someone to organize refreshments, a PR person to write and distribute press releases, and someone to coordinate artists and print evening schedules.

The 4th International Food Tasting on April 30 at the Honesdale High School needs good cooks, flyer distributors, table bussers, crowd handlers, and more.

Put your energy to work during the LibraryFest on June 17. Volunteers and artist participants may contact Nancy Wells (nancywellsart@yahoo.com, 224-4192).

Home Tweet Home (the artist-decorated birdhouses) debuting in May. We are looking for volunteers to help out with selling t-shirts, supplying maps to local businesses throughout the summer, helping out at the auction, which will be August 19th at the Texas No. 4 Firehall, and more. Call Ellen Silberlicht at 253-0285 or send her an e-mail at techart@ptd.net.

It may seem a bit distant right now, but you might want to help out at the Writers' Conference in October or consider participating in the Mentoring Program.

News 'N' Notes

HARDCOPY NEWSLETTER – Have you been printing out the newsletter to read later? Many members have been doing just that for the enjoyment of reading it at their leisure or because they find that it is more relaxing to read from paper than from a computer screen. Beginning in April, a special, quarterly newsletter will be mailed out to members about 2 weeks prior to the quarterly members meeting. The hardcopy newsletter will contain a synopsis of events just past and a listing of future events as well as remarks from the

Director and the President of the WCAA. There may even be a recipe or two, depending on the space available. The monthly online newsletter will still be available by clicking on the word "News" at www.waynecountyartsalliance.org

Are you currently exhibiting your work? Let everybody know! Call or email the newsletter at artsalliancenews@yahoo.com.

If you like music – Open Mic at the Fireside Restaurant needs you to come out and have fun every Wed. evening from 8 – 10 p.m. Note the new later times!

If you write or take photos at WCAA events -
Please consider contributing to the WCAA Newsletter. Email us at artsalliancenews@yahoo.com.

SAVE THESE DATES...

Ongoing ~ Every Wed nite is Open Mic at the Fireside~ 8 to 10 (or later)
Every first Thursday is Life Drawing (beginning in April)
Every last Saturday is Short Readings Literary Series (April, May, June, and September, October, November)
Nature's Grace Showcase on Main St., Honesdale

April

Date TBA - Grand Opening, Ribbon Cutting, Children's Art Exhibit Opening
6 (Thu) – Life Drawing, Joan Hill's Studio, 7 pm to 10 pm
26 (Wed) – WCAA Members Meeting, 7 pm, Fireside
29 (Sat) – Short Readings Literary Series, Joan Hill's Studio, 7 p.m.
30 (Sun) - International Food Tasting, Honesdale H.S. on Terrace St., 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., \$10 per ticket for 8 tastings
Lakeside Players doing Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple" (Female Version)
Check their website (<http://www.zyworld.com/Lakesideplayers/schedule.htm>) for times and dates.

May

4 (Thu) – Life Drawing, 7pm-10pm
6 (Sat) – Himalayan Cafe Benefit Art Show and Sale
13 (Sat) – Bus Trip to Corning Glass Museum
26 (Fri) – "Home Tweet Home" unveiling of birdhouses
27 (Sat) – Musicians performing under pavilion on Main St., HTH tee shirts table, Stained Glass Walking Tour of downtown churches, WCAA Office Open House 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
27 (Sat) - Short Readings Literary Series, Joan Hill's Studio, 7 p.m.
28 (Sun) – Musicians playing downtown, "Bird Buddies" children's booth decorating wooden birdhouses in parking lot beside Gretchen's Grotto (co-sponsored with GHP)- parents must make reservations for children, WCAA Office Open House 12 N to 4 p.m.

June

Date TBA - Rotating Wayne Memorial Hospital Art Exhibit Opens for its first 4 months
1 (Thu) - Life Drawing, 7pm-10pm
17 (Sat) – LibraryFest –Volunteers Contact Donie Schmidt (mrsdonie@ptd.net, 253-

0194) or Participants Contact Nancy Wells (nancywellsart@yahoo.com, 224-4192)
24 (Sat) - Short Readings Literary Series, Joan Hill's Studio, 7 p.m.
24 (Sat) – Roots & Rhythm Music and Arts Festival in Honesdale

HAPPENINGS...

Book Club in Bethany

Beginning on Sunday afternoon, April 9th, 2006, the Bethany Library will host a book discussion program called "Detecting Women" featuring female detectives and written by women authors. Over the years, female detectives have changed since author Agatha Christie first created the legendary Miss Marple. No longer gray-haired spinsters, these heroines may be chief examiners, lawyers and even wise-crackin', gun-toting private eyes. The "Detecting Women" book club will feature four novels representing the very best of the genre, from the classic whodunits to modern day forensic crime solvers. The Bethany book discussions will be led by local author and retired folklore professor Roger Abrahams. His wit, wisdom and expertise will bring to life these works by notable women mystery writers and each participant will receive their own copy of the four featured books: Murder at the Vicarage, An Unsuitable Job for a Woman, Post-Mortem and New Orleans Mourning. Call the Bethany Library for more info: 253-4349.

OPPORTUNITIES!.....

Musicians needed

Musicians and bands are needed on Saturday, June 24, 2006 to play at various venues in Honesdale, PA. (about 30 minutes NE of Scranton) for Rhythm & Roots Music & Arts Festival. Acts of many genres including bluegrass, blues, jazz, surf, folk americana, country, rockabilly, etc., will be considered, however, we prefer bands and performers that are considered or can be linked to American roots music. As this is the first year for this festival, flexibility will be shown. The final list of accepted bands and musicians will be given, with recommendations, to local restaurants and businesses wishing to hire music for the day. All decisions will be made by the festival's Musical Director, John Rocklin. This festival is being backed and sponsored by WNEP Television, (Scranton ABC affiliate), and Bold Gold Media Group, (owner of 7 radio stations). The Greater Honesdale Partnership and the Wayne County Arts Alliance, organizers of the event, plan to grow this festival to an annual three day music fest. Popular bands and acts will have the opportunity to become a fixture at or be considered for the Main Stage at future festivals.

Wayne County Human Services Art Exhibit

The Annual Wayne County Art Exhibit is scheduled for April 24th-April 28th in the lobby of the Wayne County Court House. The exhibit will open Monday, April 24th at 8:30 a.m. and close on Friday, April 28th at 4:30. Local artists may set up their own display at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 24th and return to pick it up the afternoon of Friday, April 28th. If you are interested in sending your pieces and having someone set them up for you, they will need to have them by Thursday, April 20th. Please call Laurie Adams or Carleen Faatz at 253-4262 ext 301. for more information.

Call for Artist

The Rileyville Chant Office has space available for an artist to display his or her work for show and sale. The art should be representative of picturesque Wayne County. If you are an artist interested in this opportunity, please contact Realtor Keith Wolf to discuss the details at 570-253-4580 or email at keithwolf@pcci.net

Call for Entries - Everyday Life- Genre Art Northeast

The Blue Heron Gallery in Wyalusing, PA in Conjunction with the Laura Craig Gallery in Scranton, PA will be presenting a very special exhibit of genre art during the summer and fall of 2006. Historical precedents we have in mind: Vermeer, De Hoogh, Jan Steen or modern Americans like Thomas Eakins, Thomas Benton, and others or French and American Impressionists. The Blue Heron exhibition will take place from August 1 to September 16, with a selection of pieces to open at The Laura Craig Gallery on Saturday, October 7, 2006. As with last year's Watercourse show we will be publishing a full color catalog again that will reproduce selections from the show along with the poetry by regional poets. Deadline for submission of 5 slides: June 14, 2006. Mail \$35 entry fee (payable to; "Blue Heron- Genre Art Show") with entry to the Blue Heron Gallery at PO Box 813, Wyalusing, PA 18853. Email jpegs to: Brian Keeler- Gallery Director bkeeler@epix.net. Phone: 570-746-1187.

Pennsylvania Craft: Opportunity for cash prizes and exhibition and sale of work
Inaugural juried exhibition opens November at The State Museum of Pennsylvania.
The museum will also purchase once piece from the exhibit to place in its permanent collection. Open to state craftsmen of wood, ceramics, fiber, metal, paper, jewelry, glass and mixed media. Deadline for entry is May 31, 2006. Applications for submission available at PA Guild of Craftsmen Web site. For more information on the inaugural exhibition, call Radius, HACC Gallery and Museum Shop at 717-787-5590. Jessica L. Lantz Curator of Arts/Asst. Mgr., 300 North St., Harrisburg, PA 17120 Ph: 717-787-5590, jllantz@hacc.edu, www.statemuseumpa.org, www.pacrafts.com/radius