



Hot Press News

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Second Tuesday

Our November 8 layering exercise brought out a lot of creative ideas. If you'd like to share your finished painting, please feel free to bring it to our December luncheon.



Spray and play. Members experiment with layering.

Holiday Luncheon

On December 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., DWS will have its annual holiday party with lots of good eats and plenty of time to visit with friends. We want this to be a special opportunity to get together. We will have a brief annual meeting to present the election results and learn about plans for 2017.

Enjoy our gift exchange of either a painting or an equivalent \$15 art-type gift for anyone who wishes to participate. Come and honor the Member of the Year and our Signature members.

Our success depends on you. If you plan to come, please RSVP by December 9 to Margie Wuestner at 215-817-1453 or mwuestner@verizon.net. If you'd like to bring a salad or dessert, please contact Joan Fabbri at (302) 945-3721 or (412) 335-8425.

Vote by December 12!

We have three candidates for the Board of Directors—Joan Fabbri, Pat Hoey, and Marjorie Wuestner for Treasurer, Exhibitions Director, and Vice President, respectively.

All members have received either written or electronic instructions on the voting process.

Your vote is confidential whether by absentee ballot or through Election Buddy.

December Birthdays

Nancy Brown
Robi Cavagnana
Kathleen Fitzgerald
Claire Ingley
Lesley McCaskill
Christy McEvilly
Maynard Pearlstine
Dale Sheldon
Marjorie Wuestner
Gail Zinar



Member News

Jan Henning and her brother Jeffrey Meyer have a joint show of art and photography entitled, *Vanishing Views*, at the Wyoming County Court House in Tunkhannock, PA. The works focus on the barns and buildings of northeastern Pennsylvania.



Crappy Reception by Jan Henning

Donald Blow and **Anne Crown-Cyr** are featured artists for the December 7 *Art in the AM* program sponsored by the Rehoboth Beach Writers Guild. The event is from 9:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. at the Glade clubhouse and features stories, songs, and art.

Writers use the paintings as prompts for stories they present during the event, and artists get a chance to explain their paintings and artistic approaches.

Have your coffee and pastries while you enjoy the art and stories. Find out more at www.rehobothbeachwritersguild.com.



Jeffrey Meyer and Jan Henning at their exhibition.

And the Winners Are....

The art in our Wilmington show has a variety of content and techniques. If you haven't seen it, do stop by. All paintings will be on view through December 13.

Awards judge Ryan Grover had a difficult time choosing the winners because he loved so many. In the end, he gave the following awards:

Established Artists

First Place - C. Mercedes Walls - *Moving Pictures: Gladys St. and Santa Marina St.*
Second Place - Anna Bellenger - *Sidewalk Games #4 - Only Birds Can Play*
Merit Awards - Donald Blow - *Lobster Pound, Quahog, Maine* (Sold)
Ruth Ann Kaufman - *Little Octopus*
Dale Sheldon - *The Bandwagon*

Emerging Artists

First Place - Kathy Albright - *Poppies*
Second Place - Margie Wuestner - *Catch of the Day* (Sold)
Merit Awards - Margie Wuestner - *Pure Love*
Mary Bernhesiel - *Beyond the Palms*
Kathy Albright - *Longwood Gardens*

Thanks to everyone who participated in the exhibition. A special thanks to Donald Blow, Elizabeth and Marc Collard, Kristine Helstrom, Pat and Mike Hoey, and Isabel Pizzolato for schlepping, hanging artwork, and preparing a lovely reception table.



Established Artist award winners (from left to right): Dale Sheldon, Donald Blow, Ruth Ann Kaufman, and Mercedes Walls.

Outreach

Thank you for your generosity for the *Stockings for Soldiers* program. DWS delivered six large shopping bags of items for our soldiers to St. Jude's pickup location in Lewes.

Also, thanks to you, Dianne Shearon for taking the five bags of DWS donated winter coats, sweaters, and other



Elizabeth Collard delivers our donations.

clothing and delivering them to the *Rehoboth Community Resource Center*.

Just a reminder to keep those items coming. Slightly used coats, sweatshirts, scarves, gloves, mittens, socks, rain coats or jackets, and umbrellas are needed. Collections will continue on Second Tuesdays through February.

From the Editor

This year I chose not to run for a position on the Board of Directors. My decision resulted after several things came together earlier in the year, not the least of which was being in bed for a month with a back injury and spinal stenosis. The five months of recovery helped me focus on what I needed to do next. The upside of this event was some outside recognition for my poetry and writing.

When I moved here almost fifteen years ago, my goal was to write and paint. Since then, I've been involved in various activities and have been a volunteer for several groups along the way, but I believe I now need to return to my original goals. With that in mind, I plan to spend more time writing, painting, and traveling. I will still be around as a participant in DWS.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support of and participation in DWS events and programs. Volunteers are what make DWS a viable, active organization. It has been my pleasure to serve as president, communications director, and newsletter editor during the last twelve years.

I would ask each of you, if you enjoy DWS and what it has to offer, to help keep it moving forward to continue to grow. Please don't let all the past efforts be in vain. Sign up for a team, help bring in new members, share your ideas and expertise, join the Board, and give of your time. We need your help.

All the best - Anne Crown-Cyr

