

# Norwin Art League Newsletter

January – February 2012 Newsletter #199

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## Memorial Gifts

Please remember the Norwin Art League when writing your will. Memorial gifts have really helped our League.

## Have you won any Awards?

If you are an Art League member and have won any awards in an art show, please remember to email the Editor at [ellenhild@gmail.com](mailto:ellenhild@gmail.com).

We will include your accomplishments in our newsletter.

## Birthday Parties

Have your child's birthday at the Norwin Art League. The classes are fun, affordable, private and customized to fit their needs.

If you like to have a birthday party at the Art League, please contact Laurie Sweeney at 724-864-3532 or e-mail her at

[luv2craft4u@verizon.net](mailto:luv2craft4u@verizon.net).

**Note: Date changed to the second Tuesday in January due to the holidays  
January 10, 2012 Open Meeting – Guest Speaker Susan Hill  
Tuesday, January 10 at 7:00 pm**

Susan Hill will be the speaker – and she will be giving us a demonstration of Precious Metal C. (Jewelry). There will be a chance to do some “hands on” using her technique. There will probably be a small fee if you want to participate. It sounds interesting and should be fun.

Art has been an important part of my life and I have explored many media from painting to pottery. My love of jewelry has allowed me to express my creative talents with color, texture, and design. The jewelry I create is one of a kind and is comprised of all natural materials such as semi-precious stones, pearls, bone, lamp glass, crystal, silver, vermeil and (PMC). (PMC) or Precious Metal Clay is a relatively new and interesting medium that is 99.9% pure fine silver in clay form. PMC can be sculpted, refined, fired, patina and polished to transform into a beautiful piece of wearable art. At my shows I custom design and create, people find watching this process fascinating and enjoy the uniqueness of my work. I am a member of the Western Pennsylvania PMC Guild, and the Norwin Art league. My jewelry is on display and for sale at the Museum of American Art in Greensburg Pa., in juried art shows, festivals, select galleries, and my place of business. I teach jewelry making for the Norwin Art League, as well as private in-home classes. God's gift of creativity brings me great joy. Feel free to contact me on my website or email address below.

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## NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

Reminder that the meeting is the **second** Tuesday of January 2012 – moved because of the holidays.

## NEW ELECTED OFFICERS

Congratulations to the newly elected Board members: Pat Suley, Linda Santmyer and Ellen Hildenbrand.

The Art League would like to thank Emma Merlin, Rose Mary Bengel and Helen Vresilovic for their hard work serving on the Board over the past three years.

## SYMPATHY

To Bob and Judy Rebich with the death of Judy's brother, Charles Blank on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

To the family of Ralph Colello, who passed away on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

To the family of Bill Snyder Sr. He was a great supporter of our league and the annual exhibit.

## 2012 DUES ARE DUE

It's that time of year again – dues are now being accepted. See the form on Page 4 in the newsletter.

You may mail dues to Sue Pringle or drop them at the Art League. **If you drop them at the Art League, please include the renewal form and put the form and your check in a separate envelope marked “2012 Dues”.**

## LEAGUE T-SHIRTS

Show your support for the League by wearing one of our new T-shirts. The shirts are still available for \$5.00. We also have canvas bags that can be hand-painted.

## CONGRATULATIONS

*This newsletter is full of interesting and new workshops for the fall. Please look over all our great offerings.*

*A registration form is included to make it easy for you. Just fill out the form and mail with your check for the class fee. Also periodically check the website for additions to the schedule.*

If you would like to participate in other art shows in the area, please check the registration forms on the front desk at the league.

## News – continued

**Plan Ahead....**The January 2012 meeting is moved to January 10, the **second** Tuesday, because of the holidays.

**THANKS** to the following members for their help in preparing for Light-up Night.

- Lennie Fiore, Peggy Kelly, Joan Yoha, Melanie Lucas, Ann & Mike Andrejczak, Carol Rudy, Pat Suley and Pat Vaughn for helping to clean the league.
- Ann Andrejczak, Lennie Fiore, Denise Kurta, Verna Bernard, Pat Suley, Laurie Sweeney & Pat Vaughn for bringing cookies.
- Decorating: Lennie Fiore did a WONDERFUL job with decorating our window. Pat Suley helped with decorating the tree and along with Lennie and Verna Bernard helped to decorate the tables.
- Laurie Sweeney provided the help and supplies for the children to make their annual ornaments for their own Christmas tree.
- Elmer Knizner for donating his second painting for a raffle for the Norwin Art League.
- Stephanie McNamara won the beautiful painting on Light-up Night.

**THANKS** to the following for helping with the Christmas Party.

- Chris Hirshberg, Nancy Burkhart, Pat Suley, Amy Greenaway, Peggy Kelly, Naomi D'Alesandro, Ann Andrejczak, Felicia Richards (2) baskets, Linda Agate and Pat Vaughn for contributing the baskets to be used for the Chinese Auction. The money from this raffle was deposited in our account.
- To all of the members that brought those wonderful baked goods to our party. Our members are not only good artists, but also good bakers!!
- Verna Bernard (our chairman), Lennie Fiore, Naomi D'Alesandro, Linda Agate, Amy Greenaway and Pat Vaughn for decorating for the Christmas Party. Verna did an outstanding job with obtaining the Masonic Hall and Colonial Grille (catering) and coordinating the decorating, etc. for our party. It was a wonderful party and was enjoyed by all you attended.

## Workshops:

### CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS

Instructor - Laurie Sweeney. Children's "Fun with Art" classes (ages 5 and up) are \$15.00 each and includes all supplies. **Classes are on Sunday from 1pm to 3pm.** Reminder to wear old clothes and bring a snack. **Advance registration and payment required.** Registration is on a first-come first-serve basis. Space is limited. If you are unable to make it to a class, arrangements can be made for a make-up class or supplies and directions will be given. For more information contact Laurie Sweeney at [luv2craft4u@verizon.net](mailto:luv2craft4u@verizon.net) or - 724-864-3532.

**January 15-** Sculpey Snowmen on Frame – Make a winter frame and decorate with these fun clay snowmen.

**January 29** – Winter Fun – snowflakes, snowmen, etc. Students will be using acrylic paint. More details to follow

**February 5** – Silhouette Painting – More details to follow

**February 19-** Clay Penguin Scene - Students will be using sculpey clay to form various Penguin figures to make this project

**March 4** - City Scene on Canvas "Different types of mediums used" – This painting is a combination of painting, paper, decoupage. Layering and painting will be used to make this fun and creative painting

**March 18** - Get Ready for Spring - Baby Chicks painting on wood. - Learn to paint baby chickens using acrylic paint to make this adorable project.

**April 1** - "Adorable Clay Spring Bunny" - students will be using sculpey clay to form this cute bunny.

**April 22** – Butterfly Painting on Canvas – Learn different techniques using acrylic paint.

### TODDLER FRIDAYS      10 am – 11 am or 1pm – 2pm      Instructor - Laurie Sweeney

Friday Toddler Classes (ages 2 ½ -5) are 1 hour. Toddler classes are \$6.50 each class and include all supplies. **Toddler must be accompanied by an adult.** Reminder to wear old clothes. Advance registration is required. Registration is on a first-come first-serve basis. Space is limited. For more information please contact Laurie Sweeney at [luv2craft4u@verizon.net](mailto:luv2craft4u@verizon.net) or – 724-864-3532. **All classes listed below are on Fridays.** You will have lots of fun creating!! Please state time when registering. Two class times offered: 10 a.m – 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Monthly projects will reflect the time of year.

January 13      January 27  
February 3      February 17  
March 2          March 16          March 30  
April 13          April 27  
May 11

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## **PAINTING ON GLASS – PAT SULEY**

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Wednesday, January 25, 2012 – 7 to 10 pm. Bring paper towels, glass Christmas balls or wine glasses, rubbing alcohol, brushes (#3 rounds, detail and ¾ flat or angle). A \$5.00 materials fee for paints and doobers will be paid to Pat. (724)863-3867  
\$10/member - \$12/non-member Registration deadline – January 18, 2012

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## **BEGINNERS OIL PAINTING – PAT SULEY**

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Children 10 years old and up or adult beginners. Saturday, January 14 & 21<sup>st</sup> – 9:30 to 12:30 pm. The painting will take 2 weeks to complete. Materials fee of \$4.25 to be paid to Pat (includes canvas board, paint, turpentine and paper towels). Limited space available. Registrations deadline: January 7, 2012. You might want to consider purchasing your own brushes, especially the detail. Two classes a month will be offered. Registration deadline – January 7, 2012  
\$20/member - \$22/non-member

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## **MOSAIC ART FOR BEGINNERS – MITZI FRYE-HALL**

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Class is for mature 15 year olds and adults.  
4 weeks – Thursday's, January 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2012, 7 to 9 pm – classes might be added, especially if we have to cancel because of snow. A frame will be used for the Mosaic Tile project and the second project will be a bird house. A \$30 additional fee for supplies will include the following & will be paid to the instructor the first night of class. (Mosaic Chipper Nippers (Mitzi will try to order these on line, as they can't be found in the stores), frame with mirror in center, glue, glass tile and found objects.) Students need to bring safety glasses (or wear glasses) and a hammer. The Mosaic Nippers (different than the Chipper Nippers mentioned above) are also needed and they may be purchased at Michaels (take your coupon from the paper for a 40% discount). If you have additional questions, you may E-mail Mitzi at [mosaicmitz@gmail.com](mailto:mosaicmitz@gmail.com). (412) 337-6070 Minimum of 8 students and a maximum of 12. Registration deadline: January 5, 2012. Fee: \$50/member - \$60/non/member.

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## **MOSAIC ART FOR ADVANCED – MITZI FRYE-HALL**

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Class is for mature 15 year olds and adults.  
4 weeks – Tuesday's, January 17, 24, 31 & February 14, 2012 – 7 to 9 pm – (February 7 is already scheduled for a NAL meeting) classes might be added, especially if we have to cancel because of snow. A 16 x 24 mirror will be used for our project. An additional fee will be paid to Mitzi at the first class for mirror and any additional materials that are needed. Students need to bring Mosaic Chipper Nippers and Mosaic Nippers to class, along with glasses (safety or other). Minimum of 8 students and a maximum of 12. Registration deadline: January 10, 2012. Fee: \$50/member - \$60/non/member.

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## **SEASHELL ART**

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Classes will be offered for SEASHELL ART to our members in the near future for a project (possibly a frame with a mirror). The league was fortunate to acquire a wonderful seashell collection from the generosity of Vonne Szeg a step daughter of Lillian Fredrick. Lillian had a passion for collecting seashells and making jewelry and seashell art. She was one of our members until her death years ago. Mitzi Hall will conduct these classes and more information will be available in the next newsletter.

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## **Ongoing Adult Classes**

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### **Open Classroom – Monitor – Helen Vresilovic**

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Helen's classes will resume on Tuesday, January 10, 2012. On-going classes on Tuesday morning from 10 AM to 2 PM. This is an open classroom for students to work in any medium, with Helen helping with watercolors. Fee: \$3 for members - \$5 for non-members.

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## Watercolor Landscapes – Elmer Knizner

Elmer's classes will resume on Monday, January 16, 2012. On-going classes on Monday mornings from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Beginners to intermediates. You may start this class on any Monday morning. Recording images of nature, trees, rocks, sky, water, also adding structures, barns and houses. Using hard, soft and rough textures (edges). Using photographs as a starting point you may trace by using a light box, or draw your own image. Materials list available, please call Sue Pringle at (724) 864-3236 or Elmer at (724) 925-9377. Fee: Pay by the month at \$10/week member - \$12 / week non-member. If you register for this class and are not able attend, you must notify Sue or Elmer so they are not expecting you.

## Oil Painting – Pat Vaughn with Assistant, Ann Andrejczak

On-going classes on all levels. Students attend only ONE class per week. \$10/class for members & \$12/class for non/members. Fee will be collected monthly. Monday & Wednesday 7 – 10 pm & Wednesday & Thursday – 9:30 – 12:30 pm.

Classes will resume on Monday, January 9 & Wednesday, January 11 from 7 to 10 pm and Wednesday (11<sup>th</sup>) & Thursday, January 12 from 9:30 to 12:30 pm. All four classes will be held until the painting (Pebble Creek) is finished, which we started in the fall of 2011. There is a possibility that if enough students do not register for classes for the next painting, that the Wednesday evening class will be eliminated, as attendance has been poor this past fall. We are encouraging students with experience to branch out and paint something on their own. We will be repeating a class painting (Gerber Daisies) that was taught a few years ago for those that would like some group instructions. We have three finished copies of this painting for students to refer to, however I will not be painting along with you in front of the class. I will be doing some demonstrating though. Ann and I will go from student to student to assist you (like in our summer classes). There is a possibility that I might have a new painting of Morning Glories for students to use for a copy, when we start the repeat of Gerber Daisies. I really enjoy teaching the classes, but the amount of homework that I have to do on 4 paintings each week is more than I want to do anymore. Dabs of paints will still be available for your painting, so that you don't have to purchase separate tubes of paint. If it snows, please check with us to see if we are having class. Pat (724)863-2456 [bobvon123@comcast.net](mailto:bobvon123@comcast.net) or Ann (724-863-2368 [duke54@comcast.net](mailto:duke54@comcast.net) Please register for the classes so I know how many students plan on attending.

Pat provides step-by-step instructions to a completed painting. She can teach students with no previous experience or those with exceptional art ability. Necessary supplies: brushes. Supplies can be purchased from the league. Pat sells just the paints necessary for the class painting each week, so you do not have to purchase a lot of paint to begin classes. Call Pat at (724) 863-2456 or e-mail her at [bobvon123@comcast.net](mailto:bobvon123@comcast.net) or Ann Andrejczak at (724) 863-2368 or e-mail her at [duke54@comcast.net](mailto:duke54@comcast.net) for more details /registration for class. Missed classes can be made up at other times.

New students will follow along to do the class painting & more experienced students may do a painting of their choosing. They must be able to mix their own paints, etc. so that they may start the painting by themselves.

### Membership Renewal Application (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  Check box if your email address has changed since last year.

**Dues Category: (select one)**

\$25 Adult Member

\$12.50 Junior Member (in high school)

\$40 Family

**(After June 30, all NEW memberships will be half the full rate)**

Membership application **must** be accompanied by your check or cash. Make checks payable to Norwin Art League.

**Mail to: Sue Pringle**

**13415 Lincoln Way,**

**N. Huntingdon PA**

**15642**

Send your check for dues to Sue Pringle with the completed Membership Renewal Application. If dues are paid at the league, they must be put in a separate envelope marked for Sue Pringle with the Membership Renewal Application and a separate check enclosed. This will make it easier for our teachers who are collecting class money and selling supplies and for Sue's record keeping.

# 2012 Officers & Board Members

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 ..... Linda Santimyer  
 ..... Pat Sulley

2 year Board Members ..... Linda Agate  
 ..... Denise Kurta  
 ..... Chris Hirshberg

1 year Board Members ..... Ann Andrejczak  
 ..... Judy Rebich  
 ..... Amy Greenaway

## Thank You!

The Norwin Art League is a non-profit community based organization. We greatly appreciate your support. We serve citizens from as far away as Ligonier and Indiana, Pa. Our programs provide artistic and cultural enrichment for the whole region. Our generous sponsors help make this possible.

**Below are the 2010 supporters (donations through August 2011).**

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## Class Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please register me for the following classes:

Class/Workshop Name	Dates	Class Fee

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail this form and a check for the total class fees to the Norwin Art League, PO Box 374, Irwin PA 15642.**

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