President's Message

Our little guild has gone through many changes over the years. We are now in a wonderful location that provides LOTS of walk in traffic. The energy level at the Redsand Gallery building is amazing. We are attracting attention and recognition. On getting coffee at the Pannikin the other day, I noted how dark and de-energized the downstairs location is now that we aren't there. We've had to make some difficult decisions on the future for our guild/gallery, but now, we can relax and enjoy the fruit of those choices. Please read the history of the guild and note that we are part of a long line of dedicated artists that enjoy interacting and displaying our artwork. We are thankful for everyone's participation in the past that has helped us grow.

A very short history of the San Dieguito Art Guild

The Guild was organized in 1965 (some records say 1964) by a group of twelve enthusiastic artists who lived in the San Dieguito area (Del Mar to Leucadia). The Guild artists began showing their work on the lawn of the Old Del Mar Hotel property. With the money raised from the outdoor shows, commissions from sales and dues. the members were able to rent a small shop in downtown Del Mar. It was named the Blue Lantern Art Gallery after the blue lantern that hung in front of the shop. In December 1966, the Guild moved across the street to the former St. James Catholic Church, which is now the Del Mar Library. In 1969 the Guild moved again to the "Honeymoon Cottage" of the Old Del Mar Hotel. The four bedrooms were converted into art studios.

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See you at the gallery. Laura Lowenstein

(above) photo was taken of the April show. The tall vase, by Lynn Leahy, and two of the silk wall hangings, by Norma Kuhn, have all sold.

Photo by Grace Swanson

Member Announcements BAE Systems

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LeucadiART Walk Sun. Aug. 27, 2006, 10am-5pm SDAG will be a sponsor this year and have their own special, group location. Cost will be only \$25 for each artist instead of \$30, if we have a minimum of 10 artists. Contact Laura Lowenstein to sign up and receive your application form. All forms must be returned to Laura no later than July 31.

EAA Artist: Rudelle Fay Hall May 3 - 31, every day 11am-3pm Reception: Sun. May 7, 2pm-4pm Musician's Workshop, 28690 Mercedes, Old Town Temecula. At end of Third St. by the 15 Fwy.

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The whole gallery changes every month. If you had art in the May show you need to bring in a replacement (even if you pre-paid for 3 months). Take-in day is Friday, May 26 from 9:30am to 1:30pm.

Each artist is limited to 2 pieces of wall art. [NOTE: If you have pre-paid for 3 pieces for April/May/June, or May/June/July you will be allowed to show your 3 pieces for the next two months and then you will be limited to 2.]

If you are a new member, a returning member who did not show in May, or if you only had one piece in the May show and want to add a second piece, your fee \$15 per piece.

For the month of June show, the maximum dimension of your wall-hung art cannot exceed a total of 84 inches measured on the diagonal. To figure this out, measure each piece from from the right top corner to the left bottom corner "on the diagonal". Add the totals of your 2 pieces together. [The exception are those artists who are temporarily allowed 3 pieces. These 3 pieces added together may not exceed 126 inches on the diagonal.]

When you come to the Gallery on Friday for take-in please have your temporary Take-in Tag and the Take-In Sheet (found in a seperate pdf file sent along with the Paint Rag or inserted into your Paint Rag if mailed to you) filled out.

Your art from the month of May will still be hanging on the wall. Leave it there until you are all finished with the take-in paper work. Pick up your art just before you plan to leave the building.

Bring your calendar with you so you can sign up for future sitting dates. If you have one piece of wall art in the gallery for the month of June (or if you have just shrinks or just cards) you will need to sit one shift. If you have 2 or more pieces you must sit 2 shifts per month. There is a list of paid sitters available if you should need one.

Here are the jobs that will be available for you to vol-

unteer for at the Jobs Table:
Sitting Calendar Coordinator (you will have two assistants)
Secretary (Board Position)
Gallery Manager assistant
Assistant to the President
Assist Public Relations person (phone calls etc.)
Help at Take-In (this cannot count as your sitting date)

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Off Track Gallery Take in

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Take-in for July's show will be Friday, June 30 from 9:30am-Noon (take-in time has been made shorter). Artists will again be given the opportunity to sign up for 3 months in advance for \$30 (\$10 per month) per art piece (2 pieces max) for July/August/September. Or artists may pay month-by-month at the rate of \$15 per month. If you opt to sign up for the 3-month deal, you may not "roll over" your payment to another month. Payment will be forfeited if you choose not to hang for a month. We are determined to get everyone on the same schedule. (There are still a few who are on the May/June /July schedule and are paid for July. We will catch up with you in August and let you know what to do then.)

If someone else needs to bring in your artwork for you on take in day, you must arrange for your gallery sitting dates ahead of time by calling June Clark or Harriet Shoup in advance, Your helper must arrive at take-in with your sitting dates in hand. Another option if you can't make the take-in date, arrangements can be made to leave your art the evening before at the gallery. This must be approved by calling Wanda Olson at 760,753,6807.

The Off Track Gallery will not have the use of the foyer in July, but will have our hallways. Part of the half may be used for a limited student art show, but there will be

room for a (smaller) continuation of our WaveCrest Show with the same rules as last month:

- . The price is \$10 per piece of art. You may show only one piece and must have at least one piece in the "regular" gallery.
- . The show will be judged (the June Paint Rag announced that the WaveCrest Show would not be judged)
- Your piece must be less than 40 inches on the diagonal (remember, if you are in the hallways, people can't back away far enough from a large painting to appreciate it)
- Artwork theme must be of classic cars/woody cars. surfing/surfscapes, coastal life/beach town life, ocean, local landscapes
- You do not have to sit an extra shift.
- Take-in is on the day with the rest of the gallery (June 30) from 9:30-Noon)

Starting in July the take-in day will be changed to Tuesdays when the gallery is normally closed. So, mark these dates on your calendar - take-in FRIDAY. June 30 from 9:30-Noon and TUESDAY, July 25 from 9:30 Noon

Other stuff

In the unlikely event that you miss your scheduled gallery sitting date you have a choice. You may either pay \$30 for the date missed or make it up by sitting an extra TWO shifts in the future. You need to call either June Clark or Harriet Shoup to make these arrangements Your "debt" will have to be cleared before you will be allowed into the next show.

You also cannot just call the gallery and asked to be taken off the calendar or just change your date. You must make your own arrangements to switch with another member or to contract a paid sitter. The calendar, in the future, will be computerized so that you can't just come in and make a

change. It creates chaos when you do that.

These are the job opportunities available for you who don't have a job yet (everyone should have a iob):

- Publicity Chair
- Promotion/marketing
- Secretary
- Research addresses from Mother's Day Ticket Stubs

In case of an emergency

(Not police related, of course) having to do with the building, please note that on the bulletin board in the office is the phone number for Robyn Lutes, assistant to the owner of the building. All other non-emergency communication to the owner needs to go through Laura Lowenstein.

The Small Image Show. traditionally has been held in July has now been changed to November.

Please note that if you are submitting a print (not a pholograph-that is a separate category) or Gidee, your art will not be in the monthly judging and not be eligible to receive a ribbon. Your art (this includes shrink-wraps) must be dearly marked as a print or Gicleé so our customers will not be mislead.

Thank you to Jim Respess for installing the security concave mirror, which allows us to be able to see into Gallery #2 while sitting in the office. Thank you to Diane. Dudek's husband for fixing the lights in Gallery #4.

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Feel free to make a pot of coffee for yourself and the gallery pations. The coffee machine works v e r y slowly (that's why it was DONATED) but it does work and makes a heck of a good cup of espresso. If you like anything but decaf, though, you'll have to bring in your own!!!

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