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Project expected to transform downtown Encinitas

By: ADAM KAYE - Staff Writer | Tuesday, January 2, " 10:03 PM PST ∞

A grocery store, restaurant, commercial space and condos are planned at the former headquarters of the Coast Dispatch newspaper on South Coast Highway 101 in Encinitas.

ENCINITAS -- A hearing for the largest mixed commercial and residential project in downtown Encinitas has been postponed so a developer can complete a traffic circulation plan, officials said Tuesday.

"Pacific Station," the "mixed-use" project proposed by Encinitas developer John DeWald, calls for two three-story buildings, a two-story restaurant and two levels of underground parking on the 1.39-acre lot between E and F streets. The 33-foot-tall buildings would be among the tallest in downtown Encinitas.

The project also would include a grocery store or pharmacy as the anchor, along with offices and smaller stores. The businesses would have 47 one-and two-level condominiums built on the floors above them.

The Planning Commission was scheduled to consider the project at its Jan. 11 meeting. Planner Tom Curriden said Tuesday, however, that a traffic circulation plan remains incomplete.

The traffic plan calls for changes to the coast highway. A driveway serving the 254-space parking garage would be controlled by a new traffic signal at F Street. A left-turn lane would be built for south-bound motorists on the highway to enter the garage.

That means some of the angled parking along the highway would be replaced by parallel parking.

Pacific Station, with its reconfigured intersection at F Street, represents a major evolution of the city's historic downtown district, Peder Norby of the Downtown Encinitas MainStreet Association said Tuesday.

"Although (the project) represents a massive change, downtowns are always evolving and changing," said Norby, whose group promotes economic development and tourism along the commercial strip.

In the late 1970s, he said, The Lumberyard shopping center brought a similar transformation to

downtown Encinitas.

"That represented a huge change for downtown," Norby said. "This does represent an evolution, but it's not that it's something that hasn't happened before."

Mixed projects aren't new in Encinitas, Norby said. There are 14 -- mostly along Second Street -- in various stages of completion, he said. All of those projects are smaller than the proposed Pacific Station, most with one or two apartments built atop a downstairs store.

Last month, the Encinitas Planning Commission approved a mixed commercial and residential project on North Coast Highway 101 at A Street that includes stores, offices and 19 townhouses.

At the Pacific Station site, the 14,000-squarefoot metal building that has occupied the property since the late 1950s served as the headquarters and print shop for the former Coast Dispatch newspaper. The building would be dismantled and removed to make way for the project.

At the north end of the property, another aging building would be dismantled and rebuilt with some of the original materials 10 feet from its present location as the two-story restaurant.

A pedestrian walkway would connect the buildings and plazas positioned throughout the site. The north end of the walkway would point pedestrians toward the railroad and the Encinitas Commuter Station, which is one block away.

DeWald said Tuesday that he expects to break ground on the project later this year. A timeline submitted to City Hall pegs the complex as ready for occupancy in early 2009.

DeWald said he is negotiating with grocers and other retail tenants. He would not disclose the names of the businesses.

He said he also is taking names of people interested in buying the condominiums, which would range in price from \$500,000 to \$900,000.

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Calendar of Events section:

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Tuesday, January 9th, 5:30-7:30pm. "An Artful Evening"

The Off Track Gallery along with the other businesses in the 687 Gallery Building are hosting the monthly Encinitas Chamber of Commerce Sundowner. Food will be provided by local restaurants. Beverages provided by the Chamber. Live music. Raffle items including many pieces of original art. Chamber of Commerce members are \$5. Non-Chamber guests are \$10.

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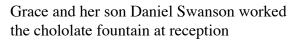
Plein Aire painters, led by Joan Grine, from the Off Track Gallery will particiapte in the encinitas Garden Festival in Olivenhain. See the SDAG website for more details: www.offtrackgallery.com.

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The San Dieguito Art Guild once again presents their very popular Mothers' Day Weekend Artists' Studio and Garden Tour. Please check out www.offtrackgallery.com closer to the event.









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- If someone else needs to bring in your artwork for you on take-in day, you must have your sitting dates already arranged for Jan. by calling Grace Swanson at 760.942.6109 to choose or verify your dates. Your helper must arrive at take-in with your sitting dates listed on your take-in sheet.
- Each artist is limited to 3 pieces of wall art. If you are already on the 3-month plan for less then 3 pieces, just tag your 3rd piece as an add-on and your fee is \$10 for that piece. If you are paying month-to-month your fee is \$15 x 3. If you have one piece in the show you must sit one shift per month. If you have 2 or 3 pieces in the show, you need to sit 2 times.
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- When you come to the Gallery on Tues. for take-in please have your temporary Take-in Tag and the Take-in Sheet (found in a separate PDF file sent along with The Paint Rag or inserted into your Paint Rag if mailed to you) filled out.
- You must have a multi-strand wire (not the saw-toothed hanger typical of ready-made frames) attached securely approx. 1/4 of the way down from the top of the frame and slack enough to come up to approx. 2 inches from the top of the frame, please tape the ends of the wire.
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Small Image Show /Off Track Gallery Awards December 2006 Judge, Lauren Jackson									
Artist	Title Comments								
	Best of Show								
Rebecca Grohowski	Landscape #5 (photography)								
President's Choice Award									
Toni Williams	Toni Williams Spring Field (oil)								
Oil/Acrylics									
1 st Mary Beck	Pears	Uniquely composed, elegantly painted							
2 nd Ellen Cramer	Persimmons	Exquisite color, sense of movement							
3 rd Allin Budik	Tidal Inlet	Like your use of non-objective color							
Honorable Mention Lee Sautereau	Star of India	Energetic brushwork, strong value range							
Honorable Mention Jackie Tyreé	All Through the Night	Mysterious sky							
Honorable Mention Judy Salinsky	Cardiff	Nice soft, airy quality							
	Water Media								
1 st Harriet Shoup	Why?	Dark, mysterious, interesting composition							
2 nd Faith Fleury	Abstract III	Nice sense of color							
3 rd Elizabeth Prakash	The Cat's Meow	Cute!							
Honorable Mention Carré Ridgway	Wish you Were Here								
est —	Photography								
1 st Rebecca Grohowski	Landscape #2	Other-worldly, unique composition							
2 nd Garrie Lynn Rhodes	Checker Board	Bold!							
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Small Image Show /Off Track Gallery Awards December 2006 Judge, Lauren Jackson

Artist Title Comments

Best of Show

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President's Choice Award

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Oil/Acrylics

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Water Media

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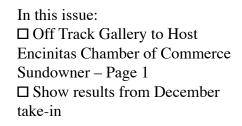
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Several small image pictures sold. The most expensive one being **Sherry Kruelle Beaton's** Wander Lust for \$125.

Thank you to **Charlene Bonney** for her \$90 donation given for a referral the Off Track Gallery sent her way.

Getting to Know You...

Welcome new members

Toni Williams from Solana Beach studied visual arts at UC San Diego. Her plein aire landscapes, still lifes and figures can be seen on her Web site

www.toniwilliamsart.com

"Painting has always been a part of my life from my earliest memories. I'm sure other artists can identify with that."

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Shirley Ramey's Cowgirl and Art Web site **http://www.**

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Results of January People's Choice Award

The People's Choice Award goes to Lynn Leahy for "Firestorm". Congratulations to Lynn. Her dynamic reverse painting on glass will be in the entryway above the table with the guest book and bio book. The winner, Hollyce Phillips of Encinitas will be mailed a \$25 gift certificate. Congratulations to Hollyce.



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Harriet Shoup sold 2 paintings for \$95 each.

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Several small image pictures sold. The most expensive one being Sherry Kruelle Beaton's Wander Lust for \$125.

Thank you to Charlene Bonney for her \$90 donation given for a referral the Off Track Gallery sent her way.

Getting to Know You...
Welcome new members
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Web site www.toniwilliamsart.com
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February 11, 2007

ENCINITAS ---- An exhibit of artwork by kindergarten through eighth-grade students from Rancho Encinitas Acade is being featured throughout February at the Off Track Gallery, 687 S. Coast Highway.

A reception for the show, titled "Color Studies on Paper," will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Feb. 2 at the gallery.

The Rancho Encinitas Academy League will host the reception and provide refreshments.

Academy art teacher Debbie Schaefer encouraged students to explore shapes and lines, and repeat patterns and color combinations including warm and cool colors to create their designs.

Some of the designs will be chosen for publication in the school's annual calendar.

For more information about the Off Track Gallery, log on to www.offtrackgallery.com or call (760) 942–3636.



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Save the Date

Mother's Day Studio & Garden Tour 2007•Sun., May 13

(one day only this year)
The following homes have been chosen for the tour: (The selection was based on location, actual artist studio, parking considerations and charm of home.)

Charlene Bonney
Bobbi Hirschkoff
Darlene Katz
Carole Mayne
Off Track Gallery
Wanda Olson
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Monthly Demo/ General Meeting Format Change! Starting on April 1, 2007, there will be a change of format for our Monthly Demo/General Meetings. Because of low attendance at the First Thursday of the Month Demo/ General Meetings, the Board of Directors has decided to change the day to coincide with our First Sunday of the Month Reception day. The meeting will start at 1:30pm on April 1 in Gallery 4 and finish by 2pm for our Reception. We'll explore ideas for future workshops

or demo's as well as catch guild members up on any announcements. Please let Laura Lowenstein or Grace Swanson know any ideas for future meetings/workshops, if you can't make it. Our last Quail Garden Demo/Meeting will be on Thurs., March 1.

Save the Date
Mother's Day Studio & Garden
Tour 2007•Sun., May 13 (one day
only this year)
The following homes have been
chosen for the tour: (The selection
was based on location, actual artist
studio, parking considerations and
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Charlene Bonney
Bobbi Hirschkoff

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If you would like to be a guest artist on this tour please e-mail Grace or call the Gallery.

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The Studio of Art and Design,

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The Village Gallery Plein-air Artists – Call for Entries

\$1,100 in cash awards. "Under the Sky" – a juried exhibition of plein-air artwork. **Entry Deadline: Feb. 23, 2007**. Show is Mar. 6 -25, 2007. To download a prospectus, go to our website,

www.lajollaart.org or contact Alison Christler at 760.942. 5804 or achristler@cox.net

La Jolla Art Association presents its 28th Annual Juried San Diego County Awards Show 2007

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Gallery is Seeking Artists who reside in the city of Encinitas, to feature in revolving, monthly exhibits, of two-dimensional (2-D) and three-dimensional (3-D) artworks. Artists, both amateur and professional, are invited to submit their work for consideration. "We are especially looking for artists who work in clay, ceramic, glass and other three-dimensional media," stated Jim Gilliam, Arts Administrator for the city. Artists who do not have enough work for a full 2-D or 3-D exhibit may partner with another local artist. All proceeds from the sale of artworks go to the artist. An Artist Reception for the public is held in conjunction with a City Council Meeting, for increased attendance. To advertise an exhibit and reception, a news release is sent to the media and artists send invitations to their contact and/or client list. All artists who want to be considered for a gallery exhibit must complete a one-page application form and submit digital images of their work. To receive an application, please e-mail Jim Gilliam at igilliam@ ci.encinitas.ca.us, or call 760.633.2746 and a form will be sent in the mail. The Civic Center Art Gallery, in the lobby of Encinitas City Hall, is located at 505 South Vulcan Ave. Encinitas The Picerne Foundation is now ready for applicants to apply for their new Senior Artist Project \$12,000/year per artist to work 1 day a week for a year with an underserved population teaching art. etc. Twelve 12 slots are available for Encinitas Seniors. Possible work sites are the Boys and Girls Club, Scout groups,

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at the St. Tropez
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Artist Opportunities

Rent the Gallery's foyer for the month of JUNE Only \$200 (\$250 for non-SDAG member) for all three walls or \$100 to split the space with another artist. No extra sitting duties. No commission on work you sell yourself. Contact Laura Lowenstein or Grace Swanson.

Next pickup & drop-off for the BAE Systems Artist Gallery in Escondido is Feb. 16, 2007, 11am-1pm. There's no entry fee or commission taken for our members, but if there's a sale, a \$5.00 fee will be charged as the check comes through the gallery. Must have a resale license to participate. See details at the gallery in one of the notebooks at the desk.

The Studio of Art and Design, Solana Beach is accepting entries for an Open Juried Watermedia Exhibit. All work must be original watermedia and submitted under plexiglass with neutral mats. Cash prizes for award winners. Entries will be accepted on Tues., Feb. 27 & Weds., Feb 28, 10am-4pm. Entry fee is \$15 per entry, limit of 3 entries. Selected works will be on exhibit at the Studio Mar. 2-31. Jurors are Alison Christler and Rikki Reinholz. Reception and awards ceremony, Sat. Mar. 10, 3-5pm. For information and registration forms contact the Studio at 858.755.6202.

The Village Gallery
Plein-air Artists – Call for Entries
\$1,100 in cash awards. "Under the
Sky" – a juried exhibition of pleinair artwork. Entry Deadline: Feb.
23, 2007. Show is Mar. 6-25, 2007.
To download a prospectus, go to our
website, www.lajollaart.org or contact
Alison Christler

La Jolla Art Association presents its 28th Annual Juried San Diego County Awards Show 2007 \$900 in cash awards. The Village Gallery, 7932 Ivanhoe Ave., La Jolla, CA 92037, Show is from Mar. 26-Apr.15, 2007. Entry Deadline Mar. 6, 2007. To download a prospectus go to our Web site www.lajollaart.org or contact Caroline.

Southwestern Artists' Association 6th Annual Juried Art Show Opens March 17-31, 2007 Entry/delivery dates Mar. 15 & 16. Art reception is Thur., Mar. 22, 5:30-7:30pm, open to the public. For prospectus/rules go to: http:// www.swartists.com/Juried Show.html

The Encinitas Civic Center Art Gallery is Seeking Artists who reside in the city of Encinitas, to feature in revolving, monthly exhibits, of twodimensional (2-D) and three-dimensional (3-D) artworks. Artists, both amateur and professional, are invited to submit their work for consideration. "We are especially looking for artists who work in clay, ceramic, glass and other three-dimensional media," stated Jim Gilliam, Arts Administrator for the city. Artists who do not have enough work for a full 2-D or 3-D exhibit may partner with another local artist. All proceeds from the sale of artworks go to the artist. An Artist Reception for the public is held in conjunction with a City Council Meeting, for increased attendance. To advertise an exhibit and reception, a news release is sent to the media and artists send invitations to their contact and/or client list. All artists who want to be considered for a gallery exhibit must complete a onepage application form and submit digital images of their work. To receive an application, please e-mail Jim Gilliam at igilliam@ ci.encinitas.ca.us, or call 760.633.2746 and a form will be sent in the mail. The Civic Center Art Gallery, in the lobby of Encinitas City Hall, is located at 505 South Vulcan Ave. Encinitas

The Picerne Foundation is now ready for applicants to apply for their new Senior Artist Project \$12,000/year per artist to work 1 day a week for a year with an underserved population teaching art, etc. Twelve 12 slots are available for Encinitas Seniors. Pos-

sible work sites are the Boys and Girls Club, Scout groups, Senior Center, Community Resource Center, Mano a Mano Foundation, and at our four Title 1 schools in Encinitas. Application deadline is Mar. 31, 2007 and artists must be 55 years of age or older. For more information, or to complete an application, visit the foundation Web site at www.picernefoundation. org. Artists are encouraged to discuss their ideas prior to submitting an application by contacting the Foundation Executive Director, Victor Nelson, at 760.435.2205 or vnelson@ picernefoundation.org.

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Newsletter info due on or before noon, the 28th of each month.

Advertising Rates Members: \$15 for 1/8 page, \$30 for 1/4 page, \$60 for full page. **Non-members** \$30 for 1/8 page, \$60 for 1/4 page, \$120 for full page. Payable to "SDAG" due by 1st of the month.

Membership Info Contact Mary Beck with any address changes, at 760.630.9518 or e-mail changes to: higgbeck@cox.net.

The *Paint Rag* is now delivered via e-mail. Members without e-mail will receive a printed copy via "snail mail".

Paid Sitters available at \$30 per shift:

Joanne Chambers 760.943.0986 Darcie Anderson 760.944.3771 Isabella Breasted 760.436.2091 Barbara Millé 760.942.3595 Laura Lowenstein 760.753.3254 Diane Dudek 760.944.7668 Patricia Eldon 760.942.9406 Loretta Phoenix 760.727.9674 Doreen Long 858.487.3672 Judianne Shannon 760.753.7088 **Grace Swanson** 760.942.6109



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Wall Renter's Chairperson: Dot Renshaw 858 692-6478

Deposit Mailing address 1228 Beryl St.

San Diego, Ca. 92109

Monthly Art Chairperson: Wanda Olson 760 753-6807

Gallery Wall Renters Committee: Dot Renshaw, Chairperson, Committee members: Alison Christler, Joan Grine, Char Cee Colusia, Charlene Bonney, Barbara Mille'. Jury requires chairperson and two members. I will add others.

Gallery Renter's Rules and Procedures HANDBOOK

HOW TO BECOME A GALLERY WALL RENTER:

A. Call or email Gallery renter's chairperson to have name put on list: (Dot Renshaw 858 692-6478 or email her at dotrenshaw@san.rr.com)

B. JURY PROCESS: The Gallery Wall Renter's chair and two assistants are responsible for jurying in new renters. Selection is based on 1.) Quality of Art 2.) Professionalism, 3:) Willingness to be involved in SDAG activities (sitting the gallery, volunteering for one committee project/year, and signing up for one Gallery Renter Rotation assistant Day/year) 4.) Dependability of the artist, and 5) All prospective Gallery Renters must live in San Diego County. Note: Everyone who is juried is not guaranteed to be accepted as a renter: (If not accepted, applicant can be juried again in 4 months)

C. GALLERY RENTERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND EACH 2 MONTH ROTTION. There are a total of 6 gallery rotations per year (every 2 months)— on the last Tuesday of March. Rotation check in is between the hours of 10-12 noon. Gallery Renters MUST pay

renter's fees at the time of each rotation and sign up for sitting duties for the following two month period. Artist's who do not bring their payment or sign up for their required sitting days will not have their work exhibited during that rotation and be considered an active gallery renter and not have their work exhibited and forfeit their deposit.

D. GALLERY RENTERS ARE REQUIRED TO STAFF THE OFF- TRACK GALLERY 3 SHIFTS per two months for 1/2 WALL and 4 SHIFTS for two months for FULL WALL. Renters must sign up in advance for two months of rotation period. The signup calendars are in the gallery and the artist can sign up before rotation to get more choices on dates for sitting or sign up when they bring their art. work in on rotation. BEFORE their art is hung, the dates are checked to see each artist has signed up for their required number of staffingss for two months. If they can not find a date of staffing to their preference, the wall renter then, must pay a staffer \$30 for each date they choose not to sit -ahead of time. Sitaffers must sit each month; they are not allowed to skip a month or double up on a month.

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RULE 3: All artwork must have quality frames with taped wires or frameless finished canvas edges.

RULE 4. Giclee's or prints may not be more than 50% of your display and noted on label. No card racks on walls. Digital artists excluded from rule.

RULE 5. Glass is used only on pastels or artwork 16 x 20 or under. We suggest you use two nails for security of glass pieces.

RULE 6. For a fresh look in the gallery, be prepared to change out at least 75% of your art every two months You can choose to rotate previous work back on the wall after two month period. Strive to have some new pieces each cycle to encourage patrons to visit and see what is new.

OPTIONAL: Each artist may have ONE 8 ½ x 11 plexi bio sheet with attached bus, card mount on wall. (These can be ordered for \$12.00 or smaller wall mount business card holder available) No other signs may be displayed.

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The gallery hanging committee WILL assist in take down of your previous cycle's work and leave in your new rotated position at the first hour of take in. Cardboard will be put between paintings. This is a needed step since you need the wall clear and ready for YOU to hang your new work at the new cycle take in.

You will be given a chart of where you will be the next 3 cycles (6 months) so you can plan accordingly your best suited art for the area.

GALLERY STAFFING You ARE the professional look of the gallery and the strength is in having staffers who know about each artist. Read other's bios to be prepared to know answers when customers ask.

SINGLE STAFFERS: ONE staffer per shift required DAY a.m. and p.m. shifts of 4 hours apiece Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat, and Sun.

DOUBLE STAFFERS: TWO staffers required for 3 hour eve shifts on Fri., Sat., and Sunday. GALLERY CLOSED: Monday, Tuesday and all major holidays.

- After the formal Calendar has been made at time of take in, you may not change your sitting dates without making arrangements for a qualified substitute.
- 4. IF YOU CAN NOT STAFF
 DURING THE MONTH:
 Make arrangements with a
 qualified paid sitter and
 notify Grace Swanson,
 Calendar chairperson. Make
 the official change to the
 gallery staffing calendar. All
 changes must be noted

correctly on the Calendar (located on the desk at the Off Track Gallery)

- Gallery Renters may not sit the Off Track Gallery until they have received full orientation. Training to be scheduled by
- If you or your substitute do not show up for the assigned staffing time, and you have not made prior arrangements so that the gallery will not be unattended, you WILL be charged \$40 and will need to pay that amount before you will be allowed to show again. The second time this problem occurs, you will be removed from the wall and your deposit will not be refunded. You are responsible for reminding your substitute of his/her staffing time prior to your absence. It is critical that we are able to depend on our staffers.

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- C. GALLERY RENTERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND EACH ROTATION. There are a total of 4 Gallery Rotations per year (every 3 months) on the first Monday of the month during January, April, July, and October. Renters must rotate in mostly new pieces at each rotation period. Gallery Renters must pay renter's fees at the time of each rotation. Artists who do not bring their payment in with their paintings will not have their work exhibited during that rotation.
- D. GALLERY RENTERS ARE REQUIRED TO SIT THE OFF TRACK GALLERY ONE SHIFT PER MONTH FOR HALF WALL—TWO SHIFTS FOR FULL WALL). Renters must sign up in advance for all three months of the rotation period. The signup calendars are in the gallery and the artist can sign up before rotation to get more choices on dates for sitting. At rotation those dates are checked to see that each artist has signed up for all three months. Sitters must sit each month; they are not allowed to skip a month or double up on month.

E. GALLERY RENTERS ARE ASKED TO COMPLY WITH ALL GALLERY RULES AND REGULATIONS, which are listed herein as well as with any changes that may be made in the future. Prospective Gallery Renters must obtain a printed copy of the Gallery Renter's Rules and familiarize themselves with these rules prior to their jurying appointment with the Gallery Committee. CURRENT UPDATES ARE POSTED IN THE PAINT RAG.

SDAG does not carry insurance for any exhibited artwork and is not liable for any damage or theft that may occur in the gallery or storage areas. Gallery Renters are responsible for obtaining their own insurance. All Gallery Renters must sign the Waiver of Responsibility prior to exhibiting their work in the Off Track Gallery.

2. ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN FORMALLY ACCEPTED AS A GALLERY RENTER:

A. FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. You must Sign the Waiver of Responsibility and Pay your Renter's Deposit at the time you are juried in by the Gallery Committee. Your deposit is refundable when you cease to be a Gallery Renter.
- 2. Renter's Fees are due every three months at the time of rotation.

RENTERS	ROTATION PERIOD	FEES
Deposit Half	Refundable*	\$90.00
Deposit Full	Refundable*	\$180.00
Mini-painting or Easel	3 months	\$5.00/each (limited)
Half Floor	3 months	\$60.00
Half Wall	3 months	\$60.00
Full Floor	3 months	\$120.00
Full Wall	3 months	\$120.00

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* The initial deposit is refundable cease to be a Gallery Renter and have given 3 months written notice to the Gallery Renter's Chairman, and if departure is at the end of the three month rotation.

B. GALLERY SITTING

- 1. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. 6p.m. The Gallery is closed on Mondays and major holidays.

 Sitting times are 11 a.m 2:30 pm. and 2:30 p.m.

 Sitters are required to arrive 10:50 a.m. to open and 2:30 pm to relieve. Under no circumstances are sitters to close the gallery before 6:00 p.m. If an emergency should arise, do not leave before calling someone to relieve you.
- 2. Full wall renters must sit 2 shifts per month and half wall renters must sit 1 shift per month.
- 3. After the formal computer Calendar has been generated, you may not change your sitting date without making arrangements for a qualified substitute. If you cannot sit during the month:
 - You must make your own arrangements with one the official PAID SITTERS * or another qualified sitter.
 - Once you have found a substitute, contact the Calendar Chairman for the month to make the official change to the Gallery Sitting Calendar. All changes must then be noted correctly on the Calendar (located on the desk at the Off Track Gallery).
- 4. Gallery Renters may not sit the Off Track Gallery until they have received full orientation. Training to be scheduled with the Gallery Manager.
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C. ADDITIONAL DUTIES

- 1. All Gallery Renters will take their turn as the **Calendar Chairman** for the month. *Once you have been the Calendar Chairman of the month, you will not be asked to fill this monthly position again until all the other Gallery Renters have had the opportunity to perform this job (approx. every three years, or so).*
- 2. Gallery Renters are required to sign up for **one Rotation Day per year** to assist with Rotation Duties. All Gallery Renter's names must appear on the Rotation Day Sign Up List within two months of their official acceptance as a Gallery Renter. Gallery Renters have a choice of assisting with 1) Take Down 2) Writing Down Take- In Information, 3) Checking Incoming Artwork for Adherence to SDAG's Exhibition Requirements, 4) Hanging Paintings, 5) Arranging Floor Displays, 6) Collecting Rotation Fees and Deposits. Sign ups are organized into four rotation periods for the year. The completed Rotation Duty List is placed in the Procedure Book in the Off Track Gallery and is run in the Paint Rag one month prior to each rotation.
- 3. All Gallery Renters are expected to coordinate or assist in the coordination of a **Major Guild Event** once a year. Sign ups take place at the Monthly Show Take In and also on Gallery Renter's Rotation Day. Once the current year's sign up list is completed, it is printed in the Paint Rag and placed in the Procedure Book.
- 3. Gallery Sitters are not allowed to paint, draw, sculpt, make jewelry, etc. while sitting the desk at the Off Track Gallery if it interferes with greeting customers and creates a mess. *In short, any activity that distracts attention from attending to business in the gallery is not*

- encouraged. (Many patrons are reluctant to interrupt artists who are working and will frequently leave without purchasing anything rather than bother a preoccupied artist.) Sitting the gallery is first and foremost a Business/Public Relations Job, not just a "baby sitting" job. We are all here to exhibit and, sell our artwork.
- 4. The business part of sitting the gallery entails correctly recording all business transactions (filling out receipts in full, including all necessary details) and making sure that all information is posted to the appropriate files and ledger sheets (as per your orientation instructions). Reading a novel/book/magazine is acceptable only when there are no patrons in the gallery and all sales paperwork and gallery maintenance have been completed. This is in everyone's best interests.

D. GALLERY RENTER PROCEDURES

- 1. ROTATIONS
- a. GALLERY RENTER ROTATIONS occur on the first Monday of the month during the months of January, April, July, and October. Gallery Renters must bring in their work between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Oversized paintings should be brought in prior to 12:00 p.m. (noon) as they are among the first paintings to be hung in the new rotation. Absolutely no artwork will be accepted after the 1:00 p.m. cut off time. The Wall Hanging Committee really appreciates your cooperation on rotation days and would like to remind everyone that we are all in this together, artist helping artist. Adherence to the procedures really helps minimize the amount of work that has to be done, which is appreciated by all.
- b. SIGN UP ON THE 4 RESPONSIBILITY LISTS (See Attached Sheet in Back)
 - 1. **Monthly Desk Sitting** (sign up for 3 months at a time)

- 2. Calendar Chairman of the Month
- 3. **Special Event Committee** (sign up for I event per year)
- 4. **Rotation Day** Duties (sign up for I rotation per year)

All Gallery members are volunteers and there are no paid employees. We all help to run the gallery and therefore everyone who is a renter is required to either hold a board position or help by being an assistant to the board.

- c. BRING IN A CHECK OR CASH FOR YOUR GALLERY RENTAL FEES
- d. BRING A LIST OF THE PAINTINGS THAT YOU WILL BE SHOWING DURING THAT ROTATION PERIOD. The list will be copied by one of the take-in workers. This list will be put in your file as an official record of the work you brought in on rotation day. The list must include the 1) Your Name, 2) Names of your paintings, 3) Medium used, and 4) Price.

You are expected to rotate in mostly new paintings and some new shrink wraps at each rotation.

Paintings that you leave on the wall from the previous rotation must also be listed on the master list for the current rotation period so that they get a new bar-code. Be sure to write down all of the works you have in the gallery, as any that are not recorded will not have exhibition cards made for them.

e. BRING IN ONE TAKE-IN TAG FOR EACH PAINTING. WITH EACH CARD LISTING

- 1) Artist's Name
- 2) Title of Painting
- 3) Medium used
- 4) Price

ART

Take-In Tag (taped from back)

Attach the tag to the back, lower right-hand side of art so that it hangs down and is visible.

- f. BE SURE TO TAKE YOUR WORK HOME FROM THE PREVIOUS ROTATION.
- 2. If you sell outside the Gallery, you are required to have a State Board of Equalization RESALE NUMBER on file at the gallery. Artists must keep records of all the pieces they sell outside the gallery, including California Sales Tax collected (7.75%), and report such sales to the State Board of Equalization along with payment of taxes collected. This must be done on a yearly, or more frequent schedule, depending on your individual situation. Please contact the San Marcos Office, (760/744-1330) to obtain more detailed information.

3. SIZE OF WORK

Full wall = 25 sq. ft. (3600 sq. inches)

Half wall = 12.5 sq. ft. (1800 sq. inches)

Full Floor = (approx. 10 pieces)

Half Floor = (approx.) 5 - 6 pieces

4. PLACEMENT OF ARTIST'S WORK IN GALLERY

- 1. Wall Renters are broken up into four separate groups, which are identified groups I, II, III, and IV. A new renter is assigned to a specific space based on which space has been vacated prior to his/her acceptance. That is, if an existing renter comes off the wall who belongs to Group II, then whoever Replaces that wall renter will automatically be assigned to the vacated space in Group II.
- 2. **Floor Renters** consist of jewelry, glass, scarves and ceramics.
- 3. As a Gallery Renter, you may not give your rental space to any other artist in the event that you wish to drop out for a period of time. If you wish to come off the wall, you must give the Gallery Renter's Chairman **60 days notice** of your plan to discontinue being a Gallery Renter. If you wish to start up again, you must

sign up again on the Gallery Renter's Waiting List. However, once you've been through the jury process, you will not have to go through it again unless you plan to exhibit work in a new media.

4. PAINTINGS ARE HUNG BY COMMITTEE. Besides our general rotation procedure, hanging also often involves artistic and space considerations that must be taken into account at the time the show is being hung. Sometimes a painting may clash with its neighbors due to color, media type, or style, which makes it difficult to show to its best advantage in its assigned location. Every effort is made to put the painting in a more advantageous location, usually with other paintings of like type, medium, or color, etc. so that the overall display will be pleasing to the eye. Although you may start out in one particular rotation group, your position may change over time as artists come and go. Artists can not request to be in any particular group. The Wall Hanging Committee tries its best to arrive at the best wall hanging arrangement for each rotation. Once the gallery hanging work is completed, artists may not move their work to another **location on the wall.** All Gallery Renters are encouraged to get involved and join the Wall

Note: If you need to take a painting off the wall for a special show, you must notify the Gallery Renter's Chairman and provide a replacement work of art. Likewise, if one of your pieces is sold, you will be notified by telephone and are required to bring in a replacement piece.

Hanging Committee if they wish.

* 5. NO COMMERCIAL PRINTS OR PHOTO POSTERS MAY BE HUNG IN THE OFF TRACK GALLERY. THIS INCLUDES GLICEE OR IRIS PRINTS LASER COLOR COPY, LIMITED EDITIONS (LITHOGRAPHS). ETC. PRINTS CAN BE PLACED IN THE SHRINK WRAP BINS BUT MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED.

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TO 2 PIECES OF SHRINK WRAPPED ART-WORK IN THE SHRINK WRAP BINS. All paintings and prints must be sealed in shrink wrap or bags (bags can be purchased from Loretta Phoenix, 727-9674, or commercially). All mats must be clean and plastic and shrink wrap must be in good condition. Damaged or dirty mats or shrink wraps will not be accepted and will be removed from the bin if they are not clean and neat in appearance. Since shrink wraps are handled regularly by the public, they may get damaged while they are in the bin. In these cases, you are responsible for replacing damaged or dirty shrink wrap at your own expense. Be sure to clearly mark the back of your shrink wraps with the 1) Name of the Painting. 2) Medium, and 3) Price. Mark you art with the words: ORIGINAL or PRINT.

Note that all shrink-wrap art must not be placed in the bin until it is bar-coded.

- 7. SDAG MEMBERS MAY BRING IN ONE MINI-FRAMED PAINTING (UNDER 10") AT ROTATION TIME. The frame must be accompanied by a lucite easel (the price of the easel must be on it as well as your initials). As with all exhibited work, the artist's name, title of piece, medium, and price of the easel (if included) must be neatly printed on the back of the painting. There is a \$5.00 fee for the mini painting. A card for this painting must be provided to the take-in workers. Please check on space availability before you bring your mini-painting in. Artists may bring in more than one piece of artwork if space is available. However, there is a \$5.00 fee for each minipainting that is brought in for exhibition.
- 8. Artists are juried in as Gallery Renters based on the type of work they show the Gallery Committee. If an artist wishes to exhibit another style or medium, then he/she must set up a separate jurying appointment with the Gallery Committee to have it approved. It is prudent to bring samples of all the styles and mediums you wish to exhibit in the Off Track Gallery to the jurying appointment, and

- before you are accepted as a Gallery Renter. That way you can get approval for all your work in one visit. Please be aware that it is possible to be both a Wall and a Floor Renter with prior approval of your art.
- 9. If you wish to change from a Full-Wall Renter to a Half-Wall Renter, you must give the Gallery Renter's Chairman a **60-day written notice**. If, on the other hand, you would like to increase the amount of space that you rent, then you should sign up on the Gallery Renter's Waiting List and wait for additional space to become available. You will not need a second jurying appointment with the Gallery Committee as long as the medium you will be exhibiting remains the same.
- 10. ARTIST OF THE MONTH: this venue has been suspended at the new Gallery location and is replaced with off-site showing.

COMMISSIONS

Gallery Renters do not pay commissions on any art that is sold from their rented **Wall or Floor** space or for any mini-painting on a lucite easel.

Shrink Wraps, cards and Monthly Wall Renters must pay a 15% commission.

All sales must pay 5% or more for the use of the VISA/MASTERCARD MACHINE. The percent charged will vary depending on what we are charged by the Visa/Mastercard System.

Card sales and other smaller amounts won't be paid until the amount reaches \$25.00. We are charged for each check that the bookkeeper writes and this keeps our costs down.

From time to time the gallery hosts events that may or may not ask artists to contribute a small commission toward the gallery's general fund.

PAYMENTS TO ARTISTS

Payments to artists for sales made during the current month will be mailed out during the first week of the following month. (Our books close on approximately the 26th of each month.) In the interests of keeping our costs down, please do not call the bookkeeper about your individual situation. The bookkeeper is an outside consultant and, as such, provides a paid service. This being the case, she does charge for the time she must spend talking to people about their individual payments. If you have any questions, please direct them to SDAG Treasurer.

LAYAWAY PROCEDURES AND PAYMENTS

Layaway procedures are outlined in detail in the Procedure Book in the Off Track Gallery. All layaway payments will be made directly to the artist at the end of the month (checks will be sent during the first week of the following month). Framed paintings and shrink wraps that are placed on layaway will be placed in the Eastern Corner of the Closet Area and will have a note taped to them indicating that they are a layaway purchase (this is subject to change).

Measuring Your Work

This is a guide to help you to measure your work BEFORE YOU BRING IT TO THE GALLERY.

It is simple;

- 1. Measure the height of your work including the frame and add 2 INCHES to the measurement.
- 2.Measure the width of your work and add 2 INCHES.
- 3. Then multiply these two numbers together.

Write it down.

- 4.Do the same thing to all the pieces that you plan to enter.
- 5.Add up all the numbers that you wrote down in step 3.

This final number is the amount of square inches that your pictures will occupy on the wall.

If you are a half wall renter this number cannot be larger than 1800.

If you are a **full wall** renter this number cannot be larger than 3600.

If the number is larger you have too much work or your work is too big. Something will have to be changed.

HERE IS AN EXAMPLE

A member who rents a **half wall** measures 4 pieces of work. Each piece measures 16 inches by 20 inches. Therefore, you would write down 16 + 2 = 18 and 20 + 2 = 22.

When you multiply 18 times 22 you get 396.

Since all the work is the same size, you would then add	396
	396
	396
	396
Which equals	1584

This person has not exceeded the size limit and could probably squeeze in another very small piece.

Monthly Show Wall

Chairperson: Wanda Olson

760.753-6807 mshell@znet.com

Benefits:

- 1. Monthly Show artists are not required to staff the gallery.
- 2. Monthly Show art is judged and awarded ribbons of merit.
- 3. Best in Show receives a \$25.00 check.
- 4. Artists may use the same 3 month payment schedule if wanting to receive a reduced rate for your 1 piece of artwork.
- 5. Artists may show 1 additional mini framed work (max on diagonal at 17") for only \$5.00 more. (This can't be put on a 3 month payment schedule, and would be paid each time a mini comes in on take-in.)
- 6. All art in the Monthly Show is up for a month and then replaced by new art at the next monthly take-in. (Monthly take-in remains on the last Tues. of the month from 9:30am-noon.)

Requirements/change:

- 1. Only can show one piece of art work no larger than 54" on the diagonal. (Dot/Wanda, what about large art with glass? Do we want to have a limit on glass size for the danger aspect?)
- 2. May show an additional mini no larger than 17" on diagonal for additional \$5.00.
- 3. Price for small/medium piece measuring 36" on diagonal or under: \$15.00
- (With 3 month deal it would be \$10 per month x 3 months = \$30.00 for the 3 months.)
- 4. Price for a large piece of over 36" but no larger than 54": \$20.00

(With the 3 month deal it would be \$15 per month x 3 = \$45.00)

- 5. Monthly Show artists would still need to volunteer to help the gallery and guild in some way. Requirements are 3-4 hours a month volunteering for each time you enter the Monthly Show. This can be handled by helping on take-in, receptions, extra staffing the gallery if you're trained, coordinating events, etc. The duty coordinator will help you sign up for something.
- 6. When you have a sale, you would pay a 15% commission to the gallery out of your sale. And if the customer is using a credit card, there's a small 5 %

charged out of your sales, also. (Same as previously on both counts.)

Wall Renters

Chairperson: Dot Renshaw

858.272-8599

artist@dotrenshaw.com

Benefits:

- 1. Wall Renters don't pay a commission on any sales off the wall.
- 2. Your art work stays up for 2 months so you only need to do take-in every other month.
- 3. You hang your own work.
- 4. You may hang large or small or thickly as long as you follow the rules for hanging.
- 5. You may hang a framed 8x10" bio with attached plexi-glass business card holder (which you may purchase from the Guild) at your location.
- 6. You will have your name on the wall. (Dot will do uniformed name plates.)
- 7. You may take out a piece or two overnight/one day when needed for showing a client or for a reception. (But not on Mother's Day.)

Requirements/changes:

- 1. Wall renters must staff the gallery, as do the floor renters.
- 2. Full wall renters must staff 2x a month or 4 times total per rotation.
- 3. ½ wall renters must staff 3 xs in the 2 month rotation period.

(This would be one time each month plus on extra shift sometime during the 2 month rotation period.)

- 4. Since there's a \$5.00 check charge by our book-keeper, Wall & Floor renters would now be required to pay that fee out of their sales. Joanne Chambers, our treasurer, will keep a list of those artists that only want to be paid after a sales amount has reached \$50.00 or more. (She already holds off on paying until artists have sales up to \$25.00.)
- 5. Wall Renters (and Floor Renters) are required to take on important jobs to help the gallery and guild. (That means more than just baking cookies for a reception!)