

# The Well Crafted Word

Del Ray Artisans  
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January 2004

## Longtime member and supporter to be missed

**Nancy Dunning**, who exemplified the spirit of the Del Ray community and was a good friend to the Del Ray Artisans, will be mourned and missed by all who came into contact with her as well as by those who benefited from her generosity of this spirit.

We extend our sympathies to the family. In the coming months, the Board will be discussing how we as an arts organization

can honor this community leader who will be so missed by all of us. Some suggestions that have already been made include a Memorial Garden and a portrait. Please come forward if you would be interested in organizing these efforts. The Board will put this on the agenda for the February 10th Board Meeting.

## Get your RED2-hot tickets

Tickets will be available at the January 9<sup>th</sup> opening of the Renaissance Show.

The RED2 Fundraiser and Dance Party, Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004, (8 PM to midnight) features a Silent Heart Auction of unique, decorated hearts created especially for Valentine's Day by more than 75 DRA

members and "celebrity" guest artists. Bid on hearts for your sweetie, friends and family (or even yourself) while enjoying desserts, champagne and a coffee bar, and rocking to the tunes of award-winning band Ruthie and the Wranglers.



## Additional benefit of membership

As a member of Del Ray Artisans, you and your family members are now eligible to join Commonwealth One Federal Credit Union. And once you become a member, this is a lifetime benefit!

As a member of Commonwealth One Federal Credit Union, you become a part owner of a financial institution that is unique. We exist solely for the purpose of meeting the financial needs of our member-owners. To that end, we not only provide outstanding personal service, but our members often earn higher returns on their savings while paying lower rates for loans.

The advantages of credit union membership extend to your family as well. Commonwealth One has products and services for all ages.

Children learn about money and saving with share savings accounts designed for children and young adults get a good start by managing a share draft/checking account and making timely loan payments

### How do I enroll?

1. You may use the COFCU **online membership application** to enroll. Print and mail the membership account card with a minimum opening deposit of \$5 to:  
Commonwealth One Federal Credit Union  
PO Box 9997  
Alexandria, VA 22304 or.
2. **Visit COFCU to join in person.** Visit their website [www.cofcu.org](http://www.cofcu.org) for locations.
3. **Call COFCU** at 703/823-5211 or 800/424-3334 for additional information about enrollment or services.

Contributors this month include: **Susan Slattery**, **Becky Heavner**, and **Dave Nicholson**.

Several of the images used this month are from Tack-O-Rama, <http://www.anzwers.org/free/tackorama/>

Edited by: **Dave Nicholson**  
**Submission deadline**-20<sup>th</sup> of month preceding (1/20 for February)  
email to: [f8photog@yahoo.com](mailto:f8photog@yahoo.com)

## New Board Member Announced

The DRA Board is pleased to announce that member Darlene Wood-Harvey has been nominated as the new Outreach

chair. If you are interested in working with Darlene on upcoming projects, please contact her at 866.651.1128.

## Board opening

L'Tonya Tobin, Secretary of the Board of Directors, has tendered her resignation. We all would like to thank L'Tonya for her contributions and insights over the past 2 years. Her gentle laugh will be missed at the monthly Board meetings.

Anyone wishing to be considered for this position should contact **Susan Slattery** [summerh@erols.com](mailto:summerh@erols.com) or **Jen Chappell** [jchappell@fsco.com](mailto:jchappell@fsco.com)

## You are working on your hearts? Right?

RED2 hearts are due back January 30<sup>th</sup> (7:00-9:00 PM) or 31<sup>st</sup> (10:00 AM-3:00 PM). Hearts should be delivered to the gallery "ready to hang".

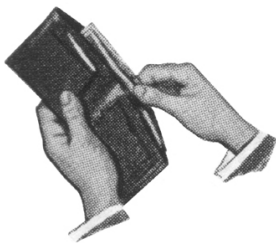
Please contact Susan Slattery [summerh@erols.com](mailto:summerh@erols.com) or Jen Chappell [jchappell@fsco.com](mailto:jchappell@fsco.com) with any questions.

## Card making party-time change

Just a short note to let everyone know that the card making party will start earlier than announced last month. This fabulous get-together will kick off at NOON, rather than 1:00 PM and afford four totally awesome hours of fun!

Remember that everyone is asked to please bring any and all supplies.

Be kinder and gentler and RSVP to **Deb Mezzetta** at [mezzetta@aol.com](mailto:mezzetta@aol.com) or 703.650.3734.



## A reminder on artist's sales donations

A brief reminder that as of January 1st the requested artist donation rises to 20% from its current 10%.

This is the first such increase in 11 years and represents the reality of operating in today's environment.

## 2004 Calendar of Events

Jan. 9-25, 2004	<i>Renaissance</i> , curator- <b>Richard Wvill</b> 703.548.3940
Jan. 13, 2004	Board Meeting (7:00 PM)
Jan. 18	Card-making Party-Valentines for RED2 (1-4:00 PM)
Feb. 6	<i>RED2 Fundraiser</i> , (8:00 PM-midnight), co-chairs- <b>J. Chappell/S. Slattery</b>
Feb. 10	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Feb. 13-29	<i>Desert Island Challenge</i> , curator- <b>Linda Silk</b> 703.533.7689
Feb. 17	DRA General meeting (7:30 PM)
Mar. 5-28	<i>Springwater Fiber Art Collaboration</i> , curator- <b>Julie Geschwind</b> 703.768.3897/ DRA co-curator- <b>Dianna Diatz</b> 703.549.9949
Mar. 9	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
April 9-25	<i>Spring All Member Show</i> , <b>curator needed</b>
Apr. 13	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
May 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday Preview <i>Students Art Show</i> (6:00-9:00 PM)
May 7-23	<i>Students Art Show</i> , curator- <b>Linda Silk</b>
May 11	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Jun. 3	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday Preview <i>Fun 'n Games Show</i> (6:00-9:00 PM)
Jun. 4-Jul. 18	<i>Fun 'n Games</i> , curators- <b>Jen Chappell, Susan Slattery, Dave Nicholson</b>
Jun. 8	Board meeting (7:00 PM)
Jun. 15	DRA general meeting (7:30 PM)
July 1	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday event (6:00-9:00PM)
July 13	Board Meeting (7:00PM)
July 26-30	Art Camp- <b>L'Tonya Tobin</b> , camp coordinator, <b>Still needed are art teachers.</b> -Contact Samantha Lentz <a href="mailto:twinstar@aol.com">twinstar@aol.com</a>



## Workshop-Creating Works for Commissions

Workshop by Elizabeth Busch. Presented by Studio Art Quilts Associates (SAQA) VA/NC/SC Region

"Designing for Architectural Spaces"  
Level: intermediate

For any artist interested in doing commission work.

Elizabeth Busch is a visual artist from Maine. She is an amazing source of knowledge regarding the commission process and installing art.

Ms. Busch writes: Most of my income is from doing large scale work that is commissioned for public spaces. It is remarkable how many opportunities are out there to do big work! This workshop is for the person who is ready to learn about doing commissions, both public and private. Even if you are just

## Are you just too cool?

Calling all indie-crafters!  
Do you turn old paint chips into funky bracelets? Handcraft quilts out of cereal box tops? Embroider rock-n-roll icons on throw pillows? Make lamps out of old Tupperware? Do your friends rave about the homemade gifts you give?

If you have a special talent for creating cool swag then you could be the perfect candidate for HGTV's hip new TV show that profiles America's hottest indie-crafters and their snazzy creations!

## Photo ops

Regional Juried Photography Exhibition  
Deadline Jan. 12, 2004. Open to all residents of MD, DC, DE, PA, VA, & WV. All photographic work accepted. \$25/4 slides, \$5/each additional slide. Washington Gallery of Photography. Show February 13-March 7, 2004. Acceptance notification by January 15, 2004. All photographs judged from slides. Cash prizes and exhibition opportunities for first, second and third place winners. For entry form, see [www.wsp-photo.com](http://www.wsp-photo.com) or send SASE to: Washington Gallery of Photography, 4850 Rugby Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814. Tel: 301.654.1998. E-mail: [wspinfo@aol.com](mailto:wspinfo@aol.com)

beginning to think about the possibility of doing this kind of work, in 5 days you will have attained the tools to enter a competition and/or submit a proposal for a private commission.

Each person will learn how to read an architect's scale, read blueprints and build a small model (maquette) of an assigned space. We will discuss working with architects and committees, developing and writing a proposal, cost and time estimates, etc. This is a nuts and bolts workshop, literally a semester's work in 5 days! And amazingly, lots of fun!

April 26-30, 2004 (Monday - Friday) 9 a.m. to 4 pm. Vienna, VA \$300 fee per SAQA member, \$325 for non-SAQA-members \$50 deposit by 12/31/03, balance by 1/15/04.

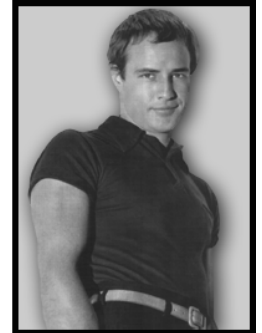
Please contact Eileen Doughty for more details: [artist@DoughtyDesigns.com](mailto:artist@DoughtyDesigns.com)

To be considered, send a videotape showing us your cool craft, tell us a little bit about your creative process, and how you got started.

Send the tape (3-5 minutes) and a sample of your one-of-a-kind creation by January 24, 2004 to: Attn: Indie-Crafts, Weller Grossman Productions, 5200 Lankershim Blvd., Suite 500, North Hollywood, CA 91601.

Please be sure to include your email address and all other contact info.

Deadline; January 30, 2004 - slide. \$25 entry fee for 3 slides, \$5 for each additional slide. Cash prizes and certificates awarded, gallery sales encouraged. Exhibition dates: March 26 - April 9, 2004. Juror: Leading photography critic Carol Squiers, curator, International Center of Photography, NYC. For inquiries contact Dr. Haig David-West at: [haig.david-west@enmu.edu](mailto:haig.david-west@enmu.edu) or call 505.562.2778. For prospectus go to: [www.enmu.edu/art/snap](http://www.enmu.edu/art/snap) or send #10 SASE (4.25in x 9.5in only) to: SNAP '04, Runnels Gallery, Department of Art Station 19, Eastern New Mexico University, Portales NM 88130.



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### Community Representative

## Check your expiration...it's on the label

Just a reminder that many memberships expire at the end of the year. You can save our hardworking Membership

Director, **Doris Lockard**, much effort by sending in your membership renewal without being prompted. Please check the expiration on the label. Thank you!

## Tax deductible donations are helpful

Please remember the Del Ray Artisans with a donation that will help DRA continue to bring high-quality programs, events and Art to The Avenue.

Your donation can be for the general DRA treasury or earmarked for the Ted Eichers Scholarship Fund.

## Membership form

Name: _____
Street: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone: (E) _____ (D) _____
Email: _____
I am an artist yes ___ no ___ My medium is _____
I will volunteer for : _____ gallery sitting ___ fundraising ___ phoning ___ clean-up ___ show hanging ___ exhibits planning ___ teaching a class ___ curating/co-curating ___ <b>just about anything, contact me</b> ___
This is a membership renewal yes ___ no ___
Membership dues: individual-\$35, household-\$50, corporate-\$100, student/senior/disabled-\$10
Make payment payable to Del Ray Artisans and mail with this form to:
<b>Del Ray Artisans Attn: Membership, 2210 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria VA 22301</b>

## About Our Organization...

Arts Resource Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public membership organization formed to create and support community-based arts organizations and promote the arts as a resource for community development. **Del Ray Artisans** is a community arts group featuring two and three dimensional works of decorative and functional art and fine crafts that provides them to the community through exhibits, lectures and instructional classes. **Del Ray Artisans** is funded, managed and operated by **Arts Resource Foundation**.

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