

OAG Newsletter: April 2012

Thank you for your input in the newsletter. Feel free to email anything you would like include to Stephen J Stephen at oagnewsletter1@gmail.com

President's Remarks

We have had a very successful year and I wish to thank all members of the guild for their participation and enthusiasm.

The May general meeting will be our last meeting for the season. We will start again in September. I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a very good and safe summer.

Don't forget that your membership fees are due this month and will cover the period September 2012 to May 2013.

Our May meeting will be packed full so come early to get a good seat.

May is our annual general meeting where we will be discussing and voting on the proposed revisions to the By-Laws. We will be having our elections for the positions coming up for this year, which include President, Vice-President, Programs and Publicity. We will also be participating in our famous pot-luck and silent auction. Remember to let us know if you are interested in becoming a member of our Executive committee and you will be added to our list for the elections.

Many thanks to all members who contributed items for the silent auction. All monies received from the sale of tickets will be donated to the food bank.

This is a meeting you don't want to miss!

See you on the 17th.

Catherine
President

Vice-President's Remarks

The May meeting marks many things for the Guild, especially this year. Our elections for several positions on the Executive, exercise your right to run and to vote, the Guild is nothing without an executive and you may have fresh new inspiration to offer! We will be reviewing some changes to the By-laws that will be voted on. Lastly, the silent auction, raising money for the Gloucester Emergency Food cupboard, and our tasty and enjoyable social of delicious sweet and savoury finger foods. I look forward to seeing you all on the 17th for all these important events.

Congratulations to Barb Nolan, Gail Steenbakkers and Eliza Von Baeyer who all were recognized in local papers earlier this month. Barb was noted in the News EMC for her work with Grandmas AIDing Grandmas others, Gail was highlighted in the Citizen at the end of April for her reclaimed, renewed silver items and Eliza also in the Citizen for her novel jewelry pieces.

As our membership year draws to a close I say goodbye as your Vice-President and wish you all well.

Have a great summer!

Keith

General Meetings

GENERAL MEETINGS the 3rd Thursday of Sept, Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, and May.

Time: 7:30

Location: Cyrville Community Centre (4355 Halmont Dr)

May is named after the Greek goddess, Maia

Programs

As this is the Annual General Meeting there will be no guest speaker this month.

Thank you,

Teri Anne oagprograms@gmail.com

The month is a time of great celebrations in the northern hemisphere.

Membership

Membership applications are due by the end of May for our 2011-2012 season. It would be a great help if you could bring your completed form along with a cheque for membership fees to the May meeting. The form is available on our OAG website under Membership, and then click on Membership Form.

Please keep in mind, if you change your e-mail address please send a note to oagmembership@gmail.com. You will then continue to receive our monthly newsletter.

If you have any questions regarding membership, please contact me at oagmembership@gmail.com

Diane Lalonde

Membership Director

The Anglo-Saxon name for May was Tri-Milchi, in recognition of the fact that with the lush new grass cows could be milked three times a day.

Publicity

The Facebook.com/OttawaArtisans page has been created and we ask that all of you who use Facebook to join. Don't forget to ask your friends to "Like Us" on Facebook.

Thank you
Laura & Teri
OAG Publicity

Visa/Mastercard

Bring on the warmth and the sun for the summer sales!

That said...as this is the last meeting before the summer break make sure you have enough slips to carry you through your summer shows. I will have Visa/Mastercard slips and mini imprinters with me at the meeting. The Guild does not mail out slips so to save yourself unnecessary trips to my house over the summer it is advisable to ensure you purchase enough slips now.

Slips are \$2.50/25 or \$5.00/50
Imprinters are \$25.00

Cheques will be prepared the third week of June, July, and August. If you wish to have your cheque mailed to you please include a stamped, self- addressed envelope. Letter sized envelopes are preferred as paperwork is easier to fold and is these envelopes are processed more easily by the postal system.

- A reminder to members that you are able to use the credit card service at any show you are in, provided you have paid your 2012-13 membership fees and you market in at least one of the Guild shows during the year (Christmas LBP, Rockland, St FX or Spring LBP 2013).
- Please ensure that your name is imprinted or written on the slips so I know who they belong to
- Ensure that all the information is clearly legible and in the right spot. If I cannot read it I cannot process it.
- Copies of how a slip should be filled out are available from me.

Don't accept cards 4519 03 – these are gift cards and I can't do anything
Credit cards have 16 digits spaced in 4's and have an expiry date!

With regards to the imprinters: we have found that adding 3 strips of duct tape to the area at the very top (back) of the unit where the credit card is placed helps enormously with the machines imprinting all the necessary information from the card (ie card number and expiry date). The problem is the credit card ends up resting lower than your name plate and the rollers miss information. If you are unsure what I am talking about here please feel free to talk to me at the meeting.

If you have any questions about the credit card service please feel free to approach me at the meetings.

If I don't see you – have a great summer!

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Alex Johnston

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It was first called May in about 1430. Before then it was called Maius, Mayes, or Mai.

Market Update

MARKETS
Spring (East) – April 14 & 15, 2012 Lester B. Pearson High School (2072 Jasmine Cr)
Annual Christmas Craft Show & Sale - Rockland - November 2012 River Rock Inn, 2808 Chamberland Street, Rockland
Christmas Craft Show & Sale – Riverside South - December, 2012

OAG LBP Fall Market - November 10 & 11, 2012

The applications for the LBP Fall Market will be available at the May 17th General Meeting as well as on line. Please ensure that you complete all section of the application and make your payment Post dated as indicated on the form.

David Murray
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Traditional May Day celebrations in Britain included dancing around maypoles and the appearance of 'hobby horses' and characters such as 'Robin Hood' and 'Jack in Green'.

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Members Corner

** Reminder to go to the bulletin section on our website as regularly as you can. Items are posted to the bulletin section that are not included in the newsletter, it is important for you to go read these advertisements for potential shows and other items of interest**

For sale by Members:

1. Duncan Ceramics Kiln, Model DK820-1 (240 volts, 24 amps, 2345 max temp, 5760 watts, 2 zone controller) In excellent condition, inside & out. Comes with stand, kiln shelves, stilts, various cones & original owner's manuel. Just plug in and start firing. \$ 400.00 interested parties, please contact Rain Kazymierchyk at [613 989-6081](tel:6139896081) or rainsartinmetal@yahoo.com

2. Brother 5 thread Industrial Serger with sewing table. Excellent condition, have used it for 8 years. Price: \$650. Original price was \$1800 Please contact Revia Fisher-Titus at r.d.titus@rogers.com if you are interested.

Member Looking for Transportation to the Rockland Show

"I noticed that the November OAG show will be in Rockland. Unfortunately I do not have a vehicle and the buses do not go that far. I think that I will be able to arrange for someone to drive me with my artwork to the Friday setup and pick me and my things up at closing on Sunday. However, I am wondering if I could get a ride out and back on the Saturday and out on Sunday with someone in the Guild. I live near Beechwood and the Vanier Parkway but could meet the person somewhere else if it was more convenient for them.

thank you,
Rysha Colp"
ripley.cc@sympatico.ca

Food Cupboard: Please remember to bring the following to the next meeting, and leave by the refreshment table.

NON perishable food, egg cartons, clean 500ml plastic containers, with lids, cleaned plastic bags, single serving glass juice bottles, with lids. Thank you Janet

To all you sewers: I have a friend who is looking for cotton---cotton/polly----flanellette----scraps. The auxiliary from her church group, uses them to make quilts and baby clothes for the 3rd world countries. Come and see me at the break and will show you pictures of some of the finished quilts. Please the bags of fabric by the refreshment table. Thank you Janet

Helping with Furniture: I have friends involved with "Helping with Furniture" They supply new Canadians with furniture etc to help them start life in Canada. What I am looking for is -- Childrens linen, Towels blankets books

all either new or gently used. Also tooth brushes, tooth paste, soap, pencils crayons, teddy bears and anything else a child would like. If you have any of the above please bring them in to a meeting and leave by the coffee table, or contact me at 613-745-2767 Thanks Janet

Message from Liz Fornier

I just came by a web site <http://investottawa.ca> It had a calendar of events and seminars. There are several seminars and lectures that are low cost or free. This could be of interest to our members.

<http://investottawa.ca/>

An OAG member has noted that the "Michaels" store on Hazeldean Road is starting an "OOPS" service like the one done in Kingston: bare frames for sale at \$8.00 each. These are rejects for various reasons - minor flaws, wrong size, outdated stock, etc. The first sale was Saturday January 14, 2012 and subsequent sales will be done every 2-3 weeks thereafter.

The member has no connection with Michaels other than as a customer. Michaels also has a "Frame Express" service: they will take ANY frame and add a custom mat, glass, backing and hardware fairly cheaply - \$72 for finishing a 16x20 frame matted for a 12x16 photo for instance.

In some parts of Britain, May 1st is called Garland Day.

Recipe of the Month

Spring Lamb Stew

Try using new potatoes, baby carrots, and tiny tender peas are available.

Yield: Serves 4-6

- 4 tablespoons butter
- 3 pounds boned lamb shoulder, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 sprig rosemary
- 1 bay leaf
- 3 sprigs parsley
- 1/2 cup dry white wine
- 3 cups beef stock
- 12 small, whole new potatoes, unpeeled
- 12 baby carrots, peeled
- 12 small, whole white onions
- 1 cup fresh peas
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- Salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Melt butter in skillet and brown lamb over low heat. Place browned meat in oven-proof casserole. Over low heat sprinkle flour over lamb and stir gently until blended. Add garlic, rosemary, bay leaf, and parsley. Pour in wine and stock, stirring to form a smooth sauce. Cover casserole and simmer in oven 1 hour. Add potatoes, carrots, and onions to stew (make sure there is ample liquid; add more stock if necessary to cover vegetables) and cook 30 minutes longer. As vegetables cook, place peas in small saucepan, add boiling water and simmer, covered, 5 minutes. (Don't cook the peas any longer or they will lose their lovely color.) Drain, add to stew, season with salt and pepper, and serve.

From the Old Farmer's Almanac website.

First thing in the morning on May 1st, young girls used to rush out into the garden to wash their faces in the May dew which was thought to have magic properties. Anyone who has washed their face in it would have a beautiful complexion all through the year. This dew was supposed to be able to remove freckles and also spots and pimples.

Website

If you would like to have your artist bio on the OAG website, please send you bios to oagwebmaster1@gmail.com. Bios should be no more than three paragraphs in length, and can include up to three photographs. It is recommended that one good quality photograph of you (head shot) be included, though this is not mandatory. Please ensure all photos are clear and high quality.

Any other requested changes for the website should be directed to oagwebmaster1@gmail.com. Updates are done on Saturdays; if you wish to verify that changes you have requested have been made, please check on Sunday.

Thank you, Carolyn

ACCESSING MEMBERS ONLY SECTION OF THE WEBSITE

- Click on "Members Login" at the top of any public section page.
- Enter your Username: This the first four letters of your last name and the first letter of your first name i.e.: Paul Hughes would be hughp
- Enter your Password: This is the last four digits of your telephone number.
- Click on "Submit Query"
- To read the newsletter click on "Newsletter" and then click on the issue you want to read.
- To return to the public section click on "Member Log Out".

Website Trouble-Shooting (i.e. "What to do if you have a problem")

- If your last name is only 3 letters long, i.e. Henry Lee, your login would be leeh.
- If you try to log into the website and you get an error page, you are not logging in incorrectly, and the website is not broken, the Domain Server is Down. This means that the company that hosts (looks after) our website is having troubles. This is comparable to Bell Canada having problems, and your phone does not work.
- NOTE – you now have to use the leading 0's. so ignore previous instructions that say to drop the 0 if your phone number is 613-333-0234 your password would be 0234.

The month of may was considered an unlucky month particularly for getting married. 'Marry in May and you'll rue the day'

Where to Buy Your Stuff

Lighting for Shows

The “Puck Lights” from Costco are around \$15 for 4 lamps. They are becoming available at more and more stores (Canadian Tire, Zellers, etc.) but believe Costco sells them at the best price.

Bags

Pritchard Packaging - www.pritchard.com (613) 723-8989
110 Bentley Ave, Bldg 3, Door 27, Nepean, ON K2E 6T9

Necklace and Jewelry Findings

McBead Creations www.mcbeadcreations.com
(613) 224-2143

Displays

Roy Sims Displays www.roysimsdisplay.com
(613) 749-7588 / RoySims@roysimsdisplay.com

Business Cards and Printed Media

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