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132nd Most Excellent Assembly

The one-hundred and thirty-second Most Excellent Assembly Session will be held at the Artisan Meeting Hall, 8100 Roosevelt Blvd. in Philadelphia, PA, on Saturday, February 4, 2012.

Unopposed Candidates for Offices of the Most Excellent Assembly

According to the Artisan bylaw which states that candidates for offices must provide ninety days written notice to the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors, the following will be unopposed at the 132nd Most Excellent Assembly Session:

For Most Excellent Master Artisan: Robert J. Noble

For Most Excellent Superintendent: Theresa A. Ludwig

For Most Excellent Inspector: David Szafran

Most Excellent Recorder: George J. Listner

Running for election for available seats on the Board of Directors are:

Anthony Acconciamesa, Ron Davis, Joseph DeAngelis, Thomas A. DiLauro, Charles Hadfield and Jim Walls

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The Voice of the Gavel



Dear Brother and Sister Artisans,

They say that all good things must come to an end. I guess that is really true because my six-year journey through the chairs of the Most Excellent Assembly, culminating with the last two years as Most Excellent Master Artisan, is now coming to an end. It has indeed been an honor and a privilege to serve all of you for the past six years. I could never have imagined that was possible when I joined the Artisans 32 years ago.

Betty and I have truly enjoyed ourselves and while there was a lot of time and hard work involved, it was by far outweighed by all of the good times and friendships that we made along the way! We certainly could not have achieved any of it without the help and support of so many people.

To begin to list everyone would be risky as I could accidentally leave someone out. As I have said before, the Most Excellent Master Artisan is just one person but it takes many people, dedicated Artisans, to make everything successful. That is why I selected "TEAMWORK" as my password. One thing that I really learned while serving on the Board of Directors is what is truly involved serving in that role. I was impressed by the people on the Board and how much teamwork is truly involved in running this organization.

I know in my heart that Bob Noble, who will be succeeding me, will do a terrific job, as he has the support of a hard-working wife in Tina as well as the members of St. John's Assembly. I will be turning over the gavel into good hands and wish him every success and hope that he and Tina enjoy his term as much as Betty and I did.

This is not my swan song and I will not just be riding off into the sunset. I believe that I have more good years to offer the Artisans and hopefully to continue to serve all of you as a member of the Board of Directors.

Once again, my thanks to all of you and may you have a prosperous and, most of all, a healthy new year!

Fraternally yours,

Thomas DiLauro

Most Excellent Master Artisan

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**Unopposed Candidates for
Offices of the Most Excellent Assembly**



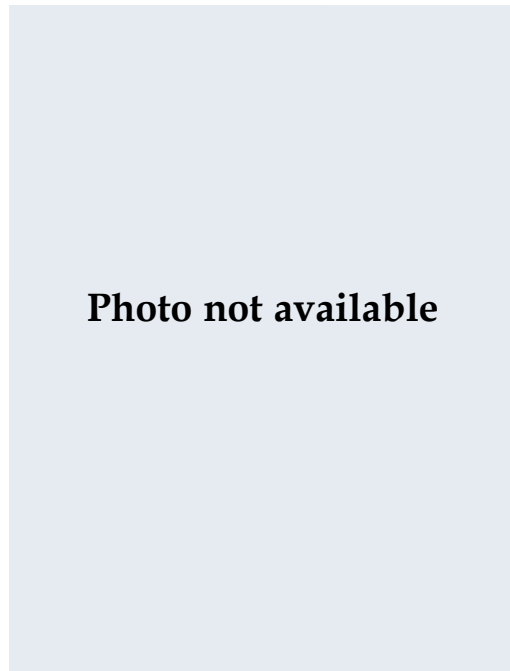
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Anthony Acconciamesa Announces his Candidacy for Board of Director

Passyunk Assembly #58 proudly endorses the nomination of Anthony Acconciamesa as a candidate for re-election to the Board of Directors. Tony has been an active Artisan for more than 50 years and is presently serving on the Board of Directors.

Tony is an active member and former President of the Artisans Dining Club, Inc.; former President and Secretary of the GAA and Past Master and Cashier of Passyunk Assembly #58.

Brother Tony was employed by the University of Pennsylvania for 11 years and the City of Philadelphia for 19 years. He served as printing supervisor in both positions.

For the past 28 years, Brother Tony has been volunteering with the Disabled Rowing Program of Philadelphia and was awarded the Volunteer of the Decade Award. Tony is an avid skier and Tennis player. He is also an active volunteer packing food for Aid for Friends and other non-profit organizations.

Because of his extensive qualifications and service, we ask for your support of Brother Tony Acconciamesa to the Board of Directors.



Ron Davis Announces his Candidacy for Board of Director

Union assembly is proud to nominate Ron Davis for re-election to the Board of Directors. While on the Board of Directors for over 10 years, Ron has been the chairman of the By-Law Committee and is now the chairman of the Office and Pension Committee. Ron has served Union Assembly as Recorder and Cashier since 1977. He is a member of the Dining Club and has served on several committees in that organization over the years. He is a member of the Extension Committee and has been the Chairman of the Golf Committee for over 20 years (but it has not helped his game much). Ron was elected Treasurer of the Dining Club in November 2011. He is also Secretary of the GAA and Recorder for Northeast Assembly #11. We could go on, but we are asking for your support to re-elect Ron. Thank you from Union Assembly #30.



Joseph DeAngelis Announces his Candidacy for Board of Director

Joe DeAngelis, with 15 as an Artisan, hails from a long line of Artisans. During this time, Joe has built an impressive resume of service to the organization. He has gone through the chairs of St. John's Assembly several times and in 2012 will serve as Master Artisan. Joe has also served on the Most Excellent Family twice, once as Most Excellent Senior Master of Ceremonies and once as Most Excellent Conductor. He is a member of the Artisans Dining Club, the Extension Committee, the GAA and the Golden Artisans. Joe has served as President of the Golden Artisans and is presently the Commander of Artisan Post 120.

The oldest of five children, Joe was raised with an unyielding work ethic. After serving honorably in World War II with the United States Navy, he went on to a long career (41 years) with Rohm and Haas. During that time, he successfully operated several businesses, served as Constable of Bristol, PA and as firefighter and President of Consolidated Fire Company Station 50. He has also served as President of the Fire Police and as an officer with Civil Defense. Joe was President of the Gibson Road Antique Fire Association and was instrumental in bringing a National Convention to Philadelphia, filling almost 200 hotel rooms. He and his late wife, Bernice, raised four wonderful children. Joe and Bernie were devoted to each other and were married for almost 65 years.

The Artisans have benefitted greatly from Joe's hard work and dedication. It is almost impossible to come up with an Artisan event in the past ten years that he has not attended or worked and that is why St. John's Assembly proudly supports Joseph DeAngelis for the position of Director.



Thomas A. DiLauro Announces his Candidacy for Board of Director

Brother DiLauro attended Bishop Eustace Prep School and Villanova University where he majored in Commerce, Finance and Business Administration. He was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad, Penn Central Railroad and Conrail for over 38 years. In his early years, he served as a Grievance Committeeman and Legislative Representative for the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and the Transportation Communications Union. He later held various managerial positions in the Finance and Marketing and Sales Departments. He retired as a Revenue Marketing Analyst. He is currently a licensed New Jersey Real Estate Sales Agent, licensed New Jersey Notary Public and Licensed Fraternal Insurance Salesman.

His civic and community activities include United Way, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Burlington County Chamber of Commerce, Burlington County Economic Development Committee, Delran Township Planning Board and Mayor of Delran Township. As Mayor of Delran Township, he was responsible for a \$15 million

budget and a community of approximately 16,000 residents. As a result, he was awarded the Cable Network Good Neighbor Award for his outstanding service to the community.

Brother DiLauro has been involved with fraternalism for over 45 years. He has been a Director of PA and New Jersey Fraternal Congresses, and twice served as the President of the Philadelphia Fraternal. Brother DiLauro served as a Director, General Secretary-Treasurer, Director of Sales and local officer of the Mutual Beneficial Association, a fraternal benefit society affiliated with the railroad industry.

Brother DiLauro joined the Artisans in 1980. His wife, Betty, his grandchildren and great grandchildren are Artisans. He is Recorder/Cashier for Haddon Assembly, President of N.J. Boosters, Secretary of the Extension Committee, member of the GAA and Dining Club, Past M.E. Inspector, Past M.E. Superintendent and is presently M.E. Master Artisan. He has been on the Board of Directors for the past 6 years, the last two serving as Chairman. Haddon Assembly cites his qualifications, experience and service to the Artisans and believe he will be an asset to the Board of Directors.



Charles Hadfield Announces his Candidacy for Board of Director

The members of St. John's Assembly are proud to endorse Charles Hadfield as a candidate for the Board of Directors of the Artisans Order of Mutual Protection.

Brother Charlie was educated at N.E. Catholic High and did his military service in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1960 to 1964 attaining the rank of E5. Returning to Philadelphia, he worked in a few entry-level management jobs before joining the Philadelphia Fire Department. He spent 21 years as a Department hoseman, rescue driver and later as an aide to a division commander.

After retiring in 1988, he moved to Susquehanna County, PA, returning to Philadelphia after seven years due his wife's poor health. In 1999, his wife of 32 years died of complications from diabetes.

Due to his family responsibilities, Charlie came late to fraternalism. He joined a support group after his wife's death where he met Ginny Hewes, his current mate, and Charlie Ickler, who introduced him to St John's Assembly. Charlie joined in 2000 as a social member and soon after bought a policy. He has been busy in the Assembly helping the stewards and sitting in the Senior Master of Ceremonies Chair for two years. In 2006 Brother Charlie was Master Artisan of St. John's and in 2009 was voted in as Cashier.

Charlie is a dedicated Artisan, a member of the GAA with perfect attendance for the past two years, a member of the Dining Club, and the self-appointed recruiter for the Artisans American Legion Post #120. He is also a member of TLA, Gibson Road Antique Fire Association, The Moose Lodge and The Bucks County Folk Song Society. With all this he still manages to work 32 hours a week. Charlie has stated he felt it would be an honor and a privilege to serve you on the Board of Directors.



Jim Walls Announces his Candidacy for Board of Director

Keystone Assembly #2 is pleased to present PMEA Jim Walls as a candidate for re-election to the Board of Directors. Jim has an established history with the Artisans that began in 1988. He has served the past 8 years on the Board of Directors and is presently serving as Chairman of the Mortgage Committee and is also involved with the By-Laws Committee. He is a member of the Dining Club and was just elected to serve as President for 2012. Brother Walls is Past-President of the GAA and serves on the Extension and Junior Activities Committees. Jim was Master Artisan of Keystone Assembly in 1990 and 1993 and is now serving as Keystone's Recorder. He was the first MEMA to serve a 2-year term in 1996-1997 and was an appointed Most Excellent Officer during Buzz Wilkinson's year as Most Excellent Master Artisan.

Jim has been in the Coffee Business for the past 30 years and is now Co-owner of Premium Coffee Service, an Office Coffee Service Company; his specialty has been in the area of operational efficiency and effectiveness.

Jim's business sense, experience and continued dedication to fraternalism prove him to be a worthy candidate for re-election to the Board of Directors. Jim is a valuable asset to the Artisans and for this we ask for your support of Brother Jim for the Board of Directors.

Submitted by the Brothers of Keystone Assembly.



Congratulations and Best Wishes to Brother Isaac F. Wilkinson

Brother Isaac F. Wilkinson, PMEMA, has decided to not seek re-election to the Board of Directors and retire after many years of service to the Artisans. Brother Wilkinson has served as a member of the Most Excellent Family, Most Excellent Master Artisan in 1991, Recorder of Haddon Heights Assembly, Secretary of the New Jersey Boosters and the Artisans Dining Club and member of the Artisans Extension Committee. As a token of their appreciation and recognition of his service to the Order, the Board has conferred upon Brother Wilkinson the title of Board Member Emeritus.

Brother John F. Stay Turns 96 Years Old

Brother John F. Stay began working with the Artisans in 1955 as Membership Director. John was instrumental in putting together many good marketing plans to help the Order continue to grow. During his career with the Artisans, he was chosen to become the Most Excellent Master Artisan during our 100th Anniversary Celebration of 1973. His words still echo the sentiment of our organization today as he wrote in his report to the Most Excellent Assembly that year. He stated that "We must realize it is important for us to be alert and ready to make improvements in order to keep up with modern times. This subject is a matter that we should consider as we begin our Second Century of Service. The coming year holds great promises as one in which we could make considerable progress."



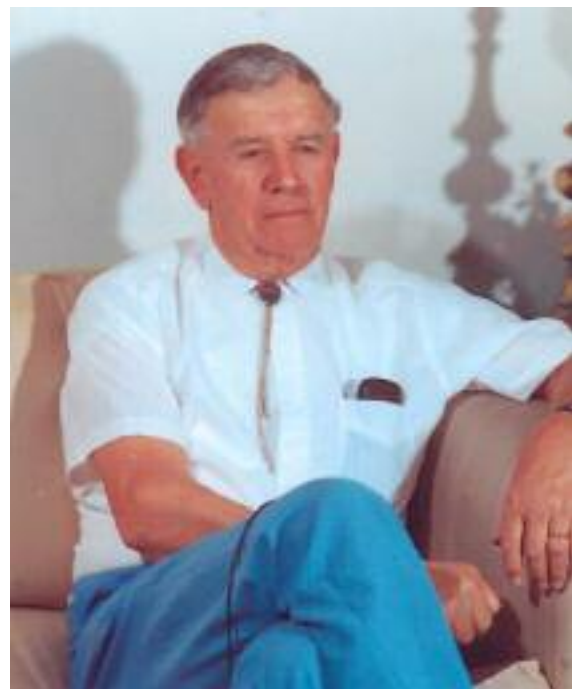
Brother Stay retired in 1980 and was elected to the Board of Directors in 1981. He served the Order well beyond his retirement as an employee and continued to be a driving force, promoting the Artisans for many years. Brother John Stay turned 96 years old in November of 2011 and is now living comfortably in a retirement community visited often by his children and grandchildren.

Submitted by George J. Listner, MER Executive Director

Brothers James Foster and George Linblad Turn 96 Years Old



*Brother James Foster
turned 96 on November 16, 2011*



*Brother George Linblad
turned 96 on November 15, 2011.*

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We currently have agreements with the Impala, Tahiti and Pailion hotels in Ocean City, NJ for the weekend of June 8-10, 2012. To make a reservation, send a check to the Main Office in the amount of \$100 made payable to the Artisans as soon as possible.

Submit Your Articles and Photographs to *The Artisan*!



Do you have an event planned, some news to report, or any other interesting bit of information that the membership might find interesting? Submit your articles and photographs to *The Artisan*!

All articles for publication in *The Artisan* must be submitted in Microsoft Word or Word Perfect electronic

format. All articles may be edited. Articles should briefly explain the "Who, What, When and Where." Write your articles for the general membership who may not be familiar with your assembly, association or members. Readers will be most interested in major events, unusual events, ideas or other interesting information.

Don't forget to include photographs! You may attach a caption or suggested caption on a sticky note to the back of each photograph. Do not write directly on the back of photos. Original photos will be printed, pictures from newspapers, magazines or photocopies will not. Electronic photograph files must be high-resolution for print quality. Photo print quality is dependent upon quality of photo submitted.

Be sure your information arrives by the deadline (see page 2 for details). Articles received after the deadline and outdated information will not be printed. Send your information to: The Artisan, 8100 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19152 or email it to artisansomp@aol.com.

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JR Jude Stengel #1	Christine Bailey #1	4/25/11	SO Joseph Connelly #12	John Ceresani #12	9/8/11
JR Shane Ussery #1	Christine Bailey #1	4/25/11	JR Jonathan Carol #12	John Ceresani #12	9/26/11
SO Elisabeth Nuhfer #1	Virginia Hewes #1	4/25/11	JR Robert Carol #12	John Ceresani #12	9/26/11
SO Florence Conroy#1	May McDonough #1	5/13/11	JR Armando Garcia #12	John Ceresani #12	9/26/11
JR Nathan Kozempel #1	Lauren Cooney #1	5/13/11	JR Bryanna Garcia #12	John Ceresani #12	9/26/11
SO Colleen Ferry #1	David Breinich #28	6/3/11	JR Carmen Bozzelli #12	John Ceresani #12	12/8/11
SR Antoinette Woodruff #1	Gerard Woodruff #71	6/3/11	SRGeorge Bitler #12	John Ceresani #12	12/15/11
SO Amber Rodriguez#1	Miranda Miller #1	6/28/11	SR Jacquelyn Lewis #17	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11
JR Briella Davies #1	Geri Davies #1	9/8/11	SR Jennifer Russel #17	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11
JR Bridget McGinty #1	Catherine Stowman#1	9/8/11	SR Stephanie Russel #17	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11
SO Marge Brady #1	May McDonough #1	9/8/11	SR Courtney Taormina #17	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11
SR Samantha Stiess #1	St. John's Assembly	9/26/11	JR Bohdan Osadchuk #17	Theresa Vogt #17	4/25/11
SO Patricia Spiker #1	Dolores Nicoletti #1	9/26/11	SR Tanya Fogliano #17	John Ceresani #12	8/24/11
SO Grace McCary #1	Ellen Bauder #1	10/24/11	SR Emily Walker #17	John Ceresani #12	8/24/11
SO Lyn Papeika #1	Ellen Bauder #1	10/24/11	JR Caitlin Bamberger #17	Theresa Vogt #17	10/24/11
SO Irene Thomson #1	Ellen Bauder #1	10/24/11	SR Elaine Quin #17	John Ceresani #12	12/8/11
SR Elizabeth DePalma #1	Wanda Hilferty #1	10/24/11	SR Natalie Bozzelli #17	John Ceresani #12	12/8/11
SO Paula Wilson #1	Annette Greisler #1	12/8/11	JR Robert Coldren, III #22	Delores Hambleton #22	4/25/11
SO Karen Keller #1	Virginia Hewes #1	12/8/11	SR Jacquelyn Lewis #28	St. John's Assembly	4/1/11
SO Christopher Bittle #2	James Walls #2	5/13/11	JR Daniel Naftulin #28	Eric Naftulin #28	4/25/11
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SO Michelle Holton#2	James Walls #2	5/13/11	SO Kenneth Wilson #28	Jay Greisler #28	5/13/11
SO Charles Devaughn, Jr. #2	James Walls #2	10/24/11	SO Raymond Why #28	David Breinich #28	6/3/11
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SO Laurie Johnston #11	Ellwood Holmes #54	4/25/11	JR Matthew Ruoff #54	Paul Ruoff #54	6/3/11
JR Bryan McGinnis #11	Eleanor Abrahams #11	5/13/11	JR Meghan Ruoff #54	Paul Ruoff #54	6/3/11
SO Marlene Romanoff #11	Lisa Bender #11	6/3/11	JR Mary Horton #54	Edward Reilley, Jr. #54	7/26/11
SO Jean Hallman #11	Nancy Linwood #11	9/8/11	JR Thomas Horton #54	Edward Reilley, Jr. #54	7/26/11
SO Joan Quinn #11	Miriam McIntyre #11	9/8/11	JR Robert Wismer #28	Edward Reilley, Jr.#28	9/8/11
JR Timothy Clark #11	Northeast Assembly	12/8/11	JR William Wismer #28	Edward Reilley, Jr. #28	9/8/11
JR Antonia Angiolillo#12	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11	SO Paul Tomczak #56	Dennis Levy #56	4/25/11
JR Michael Bengis #12	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11	SO Jim Durso #56	Dennis Levy #56	5/13/11
JR Adam Bengis #12	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11	JR Joseph Battin #71	Al Evans #71	5/13/11
JR Jeffrey Bengis #12	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11	JR Shavar Anson #71	Gerard Woodruff #71	6/3/11
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JR John Mangold #12	John Ceresani #12	4/1/11	JR Matthew Woodruff #71	Gerard Woodruff #71	6/3/11
SO Samuel Collemacine #12	Thomas DiLauro #12	5/13/11	SO Dennis Kelly #71	James Gill #71	10/24/11
JR Carlolla Angiolillo #12	John Ceresani#12	8/24/11	SO Thomas Matkowski #71	James Gill #71	10/24/11
JR Ferdinand Angiolillo #12	John Ceresani#12	8/24/11			

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- thousands of dollars of college scholarship money, nursing scholarship money and money to help purchase college books.
- a helping hand to those members, who for one reason or another, have fallen on hard times.

- rock-solid insurance coverage and annuities at rates that are hard to beat.

- year-round activities for young and old alike, from great weekends and family picnics to socials and outings at professional sporting events.

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Now go back to the questions above. Without YOU and your family and friends, we cannot exist. We need YOU to help us keep providing for our children and grandchildren into the future. *Leave a legacy. Introduce someone to the Artisans.*

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Join Us for the Artisan Aides Banquet

Come join us for our annual banquet honoring President Kathy Schnauffer. This fun event will be held on January 21, 2012 at the Twining Hall at Street and Trevoise Roads in Trevoise, PA. We will have a host bar at 6 p.m. and a buffet dinner starting at 7 p.m. along with music and dancing.

The cost is \$28 per person. Please make checks payable to the Artisan Aides. Tickets will be available

starting in October. For more information please call or see any member of our Banquet Committee:

Agnes Flanagan: 215-637-5955

Linda Hasyn: 215-632-5016

Elaine Mauro: 215-464-9051

Lynn Turner: 215-342-7698

Don't forget to mark your calendar and join us for a night of fraternalism and fun!

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2012 Miss Artisan Pageant

June 9, 2012

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Junior Artisan News and Events

Hello to all the Juniors!

Breakfast with Santa was a great success! One-hundred and twenty people attended this year, and a great time was had by all. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all their help in making this such a success, especially Santa.

This will be my final letter as the Chairman of Junior Activities Here is a brief look back at the last two year's activities each year: Soccer Game • Baseball Game • Ocean City Family Weekend • Hayride and Bonfire • Breakfast/lunch with Santa • Disney on ice

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped and supported me during my last two successful years. I hope everyone will do the same for Terry, our next Junior Activities Chairperson. I am sure she has some great ideas and plans for the next two years, and I hope everyone will support her by participating in all of the Junior events during 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Our final event of 2011 was Disney on Ice; the show was spectacular and I know everyone had a great time. In closing, I would once again like to offer my gratitude to everyone who supported me during the last two years.

Fraternally Yours,
Robert J. Noble

ARTISANS ORDER OF MUTUAL PROTECTION Change of Beneficiary Form

8100 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19152 • Phone 215-708-1000 or 800-551-1873

I, _____ to whom Beneficiary Certificate No. _____ was issued, do herewith return the same, revoke my former direction as to payment of benefits and now authorize and direct the payment of benefits due at my death to be made to _____

_____ bearing relationship to me of _____

Witness my Hand and Seal this Day of _____ 20____.

_____ L.S.

Signature of Member

_____ Address/City/State/Zip

Witness: _____

Signature of Witness

This form should be filled in, signed, witnessed and returned to the Artisans home office, 8100 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19152, with your **Certificate of Membership** (policy). The change of beneficiary will be endorsed on the certificate and returned to you.

ARTISANS ORDER OF MUTUAL PROTECTION
Nursing Award Application

Artisans Dining Club, Inc., of the Artisans Order of Mutual Protection
George J. Listner, Most Excellent Recorder
8100 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19152 • Phone 215-708-1000 or toll-free 800-551-1873

Please print or type

The purpose of this application is for (please check one): assistance award continuing education

Name _____ Date _____

Assembly _____

Social Security No. _____ - _____ - _____ Certificate No. _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone (_____) _____ - _____ Evening Phone (_____) _____ - _____

School/College/University Data

Name of nursing school attend(ed) or (ing) _____

Where are you currently enrolled? Name _____

Location _____

Year (sophomore, junior, etc.) _____ Expected date of graduation _____

Cumulative grade point average _____ (Transcript of grades from last semester must be included)

List school activities/honors _____

List extra curricular activities _____

Father's occupation _____ Mother's occupation _____

Annual family income _____ Dependents _____

On a separate sheet, please explain why the award should be presented to you and why you want to be in the Allied Health Field. Also please indicate which college or university has approved your request for admission as well as the duration of the course for which you have applied.

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Nursing Award Applicant's Statement

- I have been a member of the Artisans Order of Mutual Protection for at least one year prior to application submission.
- I have read the rules and regulations governing the requirements for an award.
- I understand that first consideration for an award will be given to one whose personal or family finances would not permit the expenditure necessary to take this course unless assisted.
- I understand that my application for an award is based upon my answers to these questions, the results of the physical and mental tests as required by the college of nursing or hospital school, my scholarship standing, submission of a recent transcript, provision of a letter of acceptance from a college of nursing or hospital school, and further, that my application is in competition with other eligible persons and the decision of the artisans dining club, inc. is final.
- If I receive the award, I agree to make a written report and forward same to the address shown on this application at the end of each semester as to my academic progress and advancement for the award to continue; I agree to remain a member of the Artisans Order of Mutual Protection in good standing while I am receiving this award; and further, I agree to conduct myself during my course of training in a way to bring credit to myself, my family, and the order; and to strive faithfully and diligently to excel in my chosen profession of nursing.
- This application is completed with my knowledge and consent and false information will void the award.
- The information provided in this application is true and complete:

(Signature of Applicant): _____

Dated: _____

Note: Letter of recommendation from school official, employer, etc., may be included with this application. Application must be received by May 1, for the Nursing Assistance Award or one month prior to the starting date of the course for the continuing education award.

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Assistance and Continuing Education Award Rules and Regulations

These rules and regulations govern the award application process for the Artisans Dining Club, Inc. Forward the completed application and requested supplemental information to the person and address indicated on the application.

- Applicant must have graduated from a four-year high school.
- Applicant must be a Junior or Senior member of the Artisans Order of Mutual Protection for at least one year prior to completing the application.
- All requirements of the Hospital School, College or University must be complied with regarding scholastic standing, physical and mental test, etc.
- These awards are intended to assist the successful applicant in attaining the education required in an Allied Health Field Course of Training in a Hospital School, College or University.
- Requests for clarification or further information regarding the above rules and regulations should be referred to George J. Listner at the Headquarters Office.
- An applicant will be considered for an assistance award or a continuing education award. Requests for a continuing education award will not be considered unless the applicant submits proof of prior accreditation.
- All monies will be paid to the school, college or university in equal amounts during the course of training, annually and at the beginning of the semester.
- If the applicant receives another award, scholarship or grant, the Artisans reserves the right to reconsider its award, and it is incumbent on the recipient to notify the Artisans. Failure to disclose this information will void the award.
- An applicant's most recent transcript must accompany the submitted application.
- A letter of acceptance from a hospital school, college or university must accompany an applicant's submitted application.
- All entries must be received prior to May 1 of the year for which an applicant intends to be given consideration for the Nursing Assistance Award.
- All entries must be received one month prior to the starting date of the program for the continuing education award.



COMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 1 Happy New Year
- 9 Dining Club
- 9 Artisan Aides
- 13 Artisan Memorial Post #120 Meeting
- 13 Artisan Post #120 Ladies Auxiliary
- 21 Artisan Aides Annual Banquet

FEBRUARY

- 4 132nd Most Excellent Assembly Session
- 10 Artisan Memorial Post #120 Meeting
- 10 Artisan Post #120 Ladies Auxiliary
- 13 Dining Club
- 13 Artisan Aides

MARCH

- 1 M.E. Officers and GAA Visitation to Keystone #2
- 9 Artisan Memorial Post #120 Meeting
- 9 Artisan Post #120 Ladies Auxiliary
- 12 Artisan Aides
- 12 Dining Club
- 17 St. Patrick's Day

