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2015 SHOW AND DANCE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015 RADISSON HOTEL - TREVOSE, PA

BRUNCH WITH SANTA ARTISANS HALL SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2015

ARTISAN CHRISTMAS PARTY SPONSORED BY ST. JOHN'S FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2015

DISNEY ON ICE 100 YEARS OF MAGIC SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2015

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! 134th MOST EXCELLENT ASSEMBLY SESSION FEBRUARY 6, 2016

ALL DETAILS INSIDE THIS ISSUE

VOICE OF THE GAVEL

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

It is hard to believe that summer is over. I hope everyone had a nice one. We just got back from my cruise to Bermuda, it was a great success. Everyone had a wonderful time and it was nice to spend time with all my Artisans friends. A special thanks to Helen Szafran for all her hard work putting the trip together, she did a great job.

Well I guess it is time to get back in the swing of things. The M.E. family will be visiting the different assemblies, and I hope to see everyone soon.

Don't forget about all the great events coming up, The Artisan Dinning Club Show and Dance on October 17, Brunch with Santa and Disney on Ice. Make sure to check the web site for more information.

Fraternally yours,
Theresa Ludwig
Most Excellent Master Artisan

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.

Material being sent for consideration for *THE ARTISAN* should be packaged (to protect photographs) and mailed to: Artisans Order of Mutual Protection, 8100 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19152, attention: *THE ARTISAN*. The copy deadlines are December 1 for the Winter Issue, March 1 for the Spring Issue, June 1 for the Summer Issue and September 1 for the Fall Issue. The Artisans cannot assume any liability for the safe receipt of any materials submitted.

NEED A FORM

All Artisan forms are available online. For printing or easy downloading from our website, go to www.artisansaomp.org to see the selection, or call the Main Office to have a form sent to you.

Don't Miss the 134th Most Excellent Assembly Session to be held February 6, 2016

The one-hundred and thirty-fourth Most
Excellent Assembly Session
to be held at the Artisan Meeting Hall, 8100
Roosevelt Blvd. in
Philadelphia, PA, on
Saturday, February 6, 2016.



BRUNCH WITH SANTA

The Artisans Extension Committee is once again sponsoring our Annual Brunch with Santa. The event will be held at the Artisan Hall, 8100 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19152 on Saturday, December 5, 2015 starting at 11:00 AM. The cost is only \$7- per Junior member and includes food, liquid refreshment, a picture with Santa and a gift. Please note there is an age limit of 12 years old. There is a \$3- charge for each adult for the food and liquid refreshment.

Please send your checks to the Artisan Main Office for tickets no later than Friday, November 27, 2015. Please be sure to include the child's name, age and gender. Also include the number of adults that will be attending. You should also include your phone number in case we have any questions or the weather is inclement. Space is limited and will be filled on a first come basis.

COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 12 Columbus Day
- 13 M.E. Officers visitation
to Northeast No. 11
7:00 P.M.
- 17 Artisan Dining Club
Show and Dance
Radisson Hotel
6:00P.M.
- 20 M.E. Officers visitation
to Tri-County No. 17
- 24 Keystone Halloween
Party
- 31 Happy Halloween

NOVEMBER

- 9 Artisans Dining Club
- 11 Veterans Day
- 27 Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 5 Brunch with Santa
11:00 A.M.
- 11 Artisans Christmas Party
Radisson Hotel
6:00 P.M.

DECEMBER (Continued)

- 14 Artisans Dining Club
- 25 Merry Christmas
- 27 Disney On Ice 7:00 P.M

JANUARY

- Happy New Year 2016

FEBRUARY

- 6 134th M.E. Assembly Session

**Don't forget about our
Annuities**

2%

**Traditional and IRA
Call the Main Office
For Details
215-708-1000**

ARTISANS DINING CLUB SHOW AND DANCE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015
RADISSON HOTEL NORTHEAST PHILADELPHIA

Tickets are only \$40.00 per person

The evening includes:

Music and Dancing to the Uptown Band

Your choice of Menu:

Filet Mignon with a Cabernet Sauce

Or

Atrium Lump Crab Cakes

Also included:

Asparagus and Roasted Potatoes

Duet Plate of Cheesecake and Tiramisu

Coffee, Tazo Tea and Iced Tea

Two drink tickets for

Beer, Wine and Cocktails

\$500.00 in cash for Door Prizes

Entrée selection must be given at time of reservation.

Makes checks payable to "Artisans"

8100 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19152



Disney on Ice presents 100 Years of Magic

Sunday, December 27, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

Location: Wells Fargo Center

Cost: \$15 for members and \$19.00 for non-members

For all tickets, please send a check made out to the Artisans and mail with your form to 8100 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19152

TICKETS ARE LIMITED AND SOLD ON FIRST COME BASIS

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____

Names of Junior Tickets _____

Names of Senior Tickets _____

Number of Non-Member Tickets _____

Hello Juniors,

I hope everyone had a great Summer. Now back to all the activities. Coming up in October, Keystone Assembly will once again host their annual Halloween Party on October 24th. Food and prizes will be on hand. Then in December we will have Brunch with Santa on Saturday, December 5th. Santa will be giving all the children a gift, so make your reservations early. Finally, Sunday, December 27th we have plenty of tickets for this year's Disney on Ice show. This year's theme is "100 years of Magic." The flyer is on page 5 for more detailed information.

Dave Szafran

Junior Chairman



Artisans \$1,000 College Scholarship

Applications will available online and in the next issue

Scholarship Awards of \$1,000 each will be given in 2016 to eight (8) of our high school graduates enrolling in any accredited four-year college or university by the Artisans Dining Club, bringing the total first-year scholarship money awarded to \$8,000.

The Following Rules Apply:

1. Applicant must be a high school senior who has been a Junior or Senior member of the Artisans for at least 2 years preceding the date of application.
2. Applications shall be made on official forms available at the Main Office and must be returned to the Main Office before March 31, 2016. **The Program begins December 1, 2015.**
3. The applicant must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate day student in an accredited 4-year college or university before payment is made. All payments covering Scholarship Awards will be remitted to the student however made payable to the College or University. The Award may be applied to tuition, fees for books or room and board.
4. No officer or member of the Artisans has any control over the selection of the recipients of the Scholarship Awards. This is an exclusive responsibility of the Selection Committee, who are not members of the Artisans.
5. The basis of selection will be the relative merits of the applicant's qualities of character and leadership, estimated cost of attending college, family income, number of other children in the family, applicant's résumé, grade point average, rank in class, scores on the College Board Test, and counselor's recommendation.
6. The decisions of the Selection Committee will be final and the winners announced as soon as the Committee has finished their selection.
7. The Artisans Order of Mutual Protection reserves the right to change, suspend, or discontinue this scholarship program at its discretion.



Julie Stratton
Kutztown University

**2015
Scholarship
Winners
Photos Previously
Unavailable**



Nick Keddie
University of Pittsburgh



American Legion Post 120

This is part of an article from the American Legion magazine.

Personal Finance:

There's no such thing as a dumb question. I've heard that claim and made it myself. Now I'm rethinking it. Part of my daily routine is to answer financial questions and over the years I've received ones that has me scouring IRS publications. Here are a few that I'll endeavor to head off that are obvious.

"Should I co-sign a loan for my girlfriend or boyfriend?"

NO. Just say no, unless you're willing to grin and bear it when things take a turn for the worse.

"Should I participate in my retirement plan at work?"

Yes. Just check out the latest retirement confidence survey by employee benefit research institute: 57% of U.S. workers have set aside less than \$25,000 for retirement. And guess what? There's a pretty good chance that if you say yes to the company plan, you'll be rewarded with some sort of company match. Sign up today.

"Should I lend money to friends and family?"

Not if you have an expectation of payback. Even so, this is something my wife and I have done. Do it with a gifting heart, and if you get repaid, consider it a bonus.

The American Legion Post 120 meets at the Artisan Hall every other month starting in January. If you are a vet and would like more information about joining the Post contact Joe Gladen at 215-673-3604.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2015 M.E.M.A CRUISE



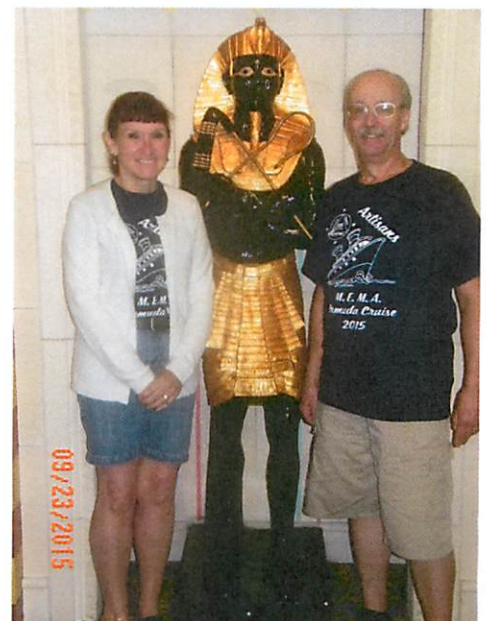
<Gene Geary and
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<Cindy and John Waring



Karen and Barry Spindler>

Deaths Reported from April 1, 2015 to September 22, 2015

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Francano, Jr., Joseph	#2	March 2, 2015
Lambert, Jr., Joseph	#2	April 11, 2015
Bakke, Sophie L.	#11	May 12, 2015
Steinhaus, Richard C.	#12	March 6, 2015
Harker, Ruth M.	#17	May 8, 2015
Lansberry, Diane Lee	#17	March 10, 2015
Powers, Judy A.	#17	May 27, 2015
Truempy, John D.	#17	May 30, 2015
Heller, Ronald H.	#20	August 5, 2015
Esbenshade, Henry W.	#22	March 2, 2015
Fulmer, Jr., William B.	#22	April 18, 2015
Hess, Donald Lee	#22	February 24, 2015
Price, Jr., James S.	#22	April 10, 2015
Citrano, Jr., Harry	#28	April 26, 2015
Cook, Sr., William J.	#28	May 8, 2015
Frey, John W.	#28	July 20, 2015
Marlin, Paul E.	#28	June 7, 2015
Mueller, Jr., William A.	#28	April 29, 2015
Russo, Robert J.	#28	April 2, 2015
Williams, Lawrence P.	#28	September 7, 2015
Zehnder, Jeffrey P.	#28	June 20, 2015
Ballard, Paula M.	#31	August 5, 2015
Tavani, Domenic R.	#31	May 27, 2015
Buchmann, Howard C.	#54	May 19, 2015
Menna, Anthony L.	#54	February 11, 2015
Walsh, Rev Robert J.	#54	May 1, 2015
Pessano, John M.	#71	September 15, 2015

Deaths Reported (Continued)

Didio, Anthony C.	#98	April 21, 2015
Everhart, Donald F.	#98	April 18, 2015
Greiss, Jr., Frank C.	#98	July 23, 2015
Pepe, Samuel J.	#98	June 12, 2015
Schoch, Herman	#98	May 25, 2015
Senger, Michael L.	#98	June 29, 2015
Southwick, Richard R.	#98	March 2, 2015
Nystrom, Richard	#98	April 21, 2015
Weber, Matthew S.	#98	May 20, 2015
Connor, Joseph V.	#99	August 10, 2015
Ferguson, Robert S.	#99	April 2, 2015
Wessel, Henry	#99	May 20, 2015

ANNUAL ARTISAN CHRISTMAS PARTY SPONSORED BY ST. JOHN'S ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2015
RADISSON HOTEL PHILADELPHIA NORTHEAST
ROUTE 1 AT OLD LINCOLN HIGHWAY
TREVOSSE, PA 19053



The Artisans will once again celebrate the Christmas season on Friday evening, December 11, 2015 from 6-11 P.M. at the Radisson Hotel Philadelphia Northeast. Everyone is invited to attend this celebration and will be treated to a fabulous Buffet Dinner with an Open Bar and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets generally go very quickly and we suggest you get your reservation in as soon as possible. Tickets will be sold on a first-come basis. The cost is \$35.00 for members and \$45.00 for all non-members. We hope you plan to be with us to celebrate the holidays with your fellow Artisans and, of course, Jolly Old St. Nick.

For reservations, please send a check with names to the Artisan Main Office, 8100 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19152



**CANADA/NEW ENGLAND CRUISE
Royal Caribbean Grandeur of the Seas
9 Nights Leaving from Baltimore, MD
Thurs. Sept. 15, 2016 - Sat., Sept. 24, 2016**

Interior	Oceanview	Balcony	Suite
\$1714.52 for 2	\$2402.52 for 2	\$4364.52 for 2	\$5255.52 for 2

Prices Subject To Change

*Thurs. - Baltimore, MD - Depart 4 PM
Friday - Cruising
Sat. - Boston, Massachusetts - Arrive 10 AM, Departs 11 PM
Sun. - Portland, Maine - Arrive 8 AM, Departs 5 PM
Mon. - Bar Harbor, Maine - Arrives 8 AM, Departs 6 PM (Tendered)
Tues. - St. John, New Brunswick - Arrives 7 AM, Departs 3:30 PM
Wed. - Halifax, Nova Scotia - Arrives 10:30AM, Departs 7 PM
Thurs. - Cruising
Friday - Cruising
Sat. - Baltimore, MD - Arrive 7AM*

The above prices include all meals, entertainment, taxes, fees, and port expenses. Additional expenses for you would be gratuities which are \$12.95 per person, per day. A deposit of \$250.00 per person is due at time of booking. Final payment is due 90 days before departure. Passport is required.

You may cancel up to final payment for a full refund.

For more information, call Helen Szafran at 215-264-3902
To make a reservation, call Maureen Cohen of AAA at 215-671-1700 x 71715.

You must reference my name to be put in the group.

2015 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

We are please to announce the winners in the 2015 College Scholarship Assistance Award Program. These awards are presented through the Artisans Dining Club, Inc. We offer our congratulations to these fine young people and wish them success as they enter upon their college career.



Makayla Hope Picariello
Philadelphia Assembly No. 1
Holy Family University



Samuel Naftulin
St. John's Assembly No. 28
Holy Family University



Angelo Cascarelli
St. John's Assembly No. 28
Bryn Athyn College



Kyle D'Angelo
St. John's Assembly No. 28
St. Joseph's University



Brendan Kelly
St. John's Assembly. No. 28
Massachusetts Maritime Academy



Connor T. Pelletier
Watsonstown Assembly No.. 33
Susquehanna University

Photos unavailable for Nicholas Keddie, St. John's Assembly No. 28 or Julie Stratton, St. John's No. 28