



Beaver Valley Artists

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President's Letter

Best of Show . . .

I think that Spring has arrived. And, I think it is about time! I am sure we are all tired of the doldrums of winter, right?

But that also means we are about to wind down our schedule and get ready for summertime, life spent leisurely in our favorite studio, park or old farm road. We will paint, draw, sketch, scratchboard, camera, clay and porcelain as much as we can in the months ahead getting ready for another year.

So what have we done this year? We've learned new things, met new artists and we have created a new image of ourselves through a logo and website. But the thing we should be proudest of is our 29th Annual Spring Art Show. There were 95 pieces entered by 27 artists, of which 60 were juried into the show. Amazing! We are such a talented group of people! I am very proud of you and what you have accomplished. A special "Thanks" to Jeanne Sirko and Sue Masely and their helpers for the hard work on putting the show together. The turnout was great and the refreshments graced two tables in the main gallery...but not for long. The taste-testing began almost immediately.

It was a gala event indeed.

A list of winners is posted on the next page of this newsletter.

I have decided to stay on as President next year, along with Dave, Gabe and Jane. Kathy Bishak has agreed to be our secretary for next year. Thank you



BVA Vice President Dave Bentley takes 'Best of Show' Award from BVA President Sue Ireton with photograph, "Concentration" (inset) at 29th Annual Spring Art Show. (Top photo by Gabe Ireton)

Sally Chapman for your hard work this year. We still need a Refreshment Chairperson and a Program Co-Chair for next year. Please think about volunteering for one of these positions. Each member should take a turn at helping our group succeed.

I thank all of you who helped me survive my first year and look forward to working with you next year!

Sue



P.S. Our occasionally Annual Picnic is in May. See next page for details.

Internet Bonus

More show pictures upcoming on our web site at www.beavervalleyartists.org

Next Meeting



Thursday, April 27, 2006
7 p.m.



Merrick Art Gallery

• Program •

Judge's Critique of our show by Dr. Sarah Tambucci
Refreshments by Jane Cerilli & Camille Stevenson

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Bringing the wonder of art to our world

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And the Winners . . .

Here are the winners of this year's BVA 29th Annual Art Show:

- **Best of Show.** David Bentley, "Concentration," Photography.
- **First Prize.** Dona Boots, "The Mechanic," Oil; Jan Pociernicki, "Sunny Day," Watermedia.
- **Second Prize.** Carol Volz Begley, "Sunny Alley to Papa J's," Pastel; Linda Headland, "Wild Flowers," Pastel; Christine Manjerovic, "A Kitten for Caroline," Pastel.
- **Third Prize.** Stephanie Csonka, "Spring Fantasy," Photography; Bruce Shakely, "Boatyard," Watercolor.
- **Honorable Mention.** Joan Bobchak, "Yellow Gazania Splendens," Watercolor; Myrna Ortinberg, "Tangled," Acrylic; Jeanne Sirko, "Cindy's Mona Lisa Smile," Pastel.

BVA Picnic set for May 20 at Brady's Run Park

Bring your appetite and a covered dish Saturday, May 20, to Pavillion 14 at Brady's Run Park. The fun starts at 10 a.m.

Pavillion 14 is located just off Bradys Run Road, the main drive through the park.

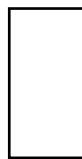
Your club will supply hamburgers, hotdogs, buns and fixin's along with a grill



to cook them with.

Bring along a sketch pad, canvas or your choice of art media to soak up Spring's colors.

Please make reservations on a sign-up page provided at the next meeting. Or you may call Sue or Gabe at 724-773-8144 up to Friday, May 19.



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