

Holiday News

Contemporary Artifacts: A show of Craft Art begins two-month run at Museum of American Jewish History

CONTEMPORARY ARTIFACTS 1982: A SHOW OF CRAFT ART opens this Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Museum of American Jewish History, Independence Mall East, 55 N. 5th St. The second annual invitational exhibition and sale of Judaic crafts sponsored by the Museum features works by more than 45 artists from throughout the United States. Highlighting the exhibition opening will be an Artists Panel discussion from 2 - 4 p.m. Four of the artists whose works are on display in CONTEMPORARY ARTIFACTS 1982 will discuss how they use their art to express Jewish themes. Panelists include Laurie Gross, weaver; Claire Kirpich, ceramist; Leon Lugassy, metal sculptor, and Aviva Passow,

calligrapher. Alice M. Greenwald, the Museum's director, will serve as moderator.

A celebration of the revival of the art of crafts in America today, CONTEMPORARY ARTIFACTS focuses especially on the current resurgence of interest in Judaic craft expressions. More than 100 pieces in calligraphy, ceramic, enamel, fabric, glass, metal, paper and wood are included in the exhibition.

Colorful wall tapestries, ceramic havdalah plates, menorahs, jewelry, woven prayer shawls, spice boxes, mezuzahs, sabbath candle holders and torah pointers are among the crafts pieces on display. Prices range from \$35 to \$10,000.

"The current renaissance in Judaic crafts attests to the growing interest in reinterpreting and adapting traditional objects and themes to speak more directly to con-

temporary audiences," Beverly Haas, exhibition coordinator, noted. "Today's crafts are tomorrow's artifacts — a tangible legacy for future generations."

CONTEMPORARY ARTIFACTS runs through Jan. 31, 1983 and is open to the public during regular Museum hours: Sunday, 10 a.m. — 4 p.m.; Mondays through Thursdays, 10 a.m. — 5 p.m. During the months of November and December, the Museum will also be open on Fridays, 11 a.m. — 3 p.m. for the convenience of holiday shoppers. For further information, call the Museum at (215) 923-3811.

The Museum of American Jewish History is the only cultural institution in the country dedicated to the preservation, exhibition and interpretation of Jewish participation in the growth and development of this nation.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A

Brandywine Christmas For Children of All Ages, is at the Brandywine River Museum in Chadds Ford, Pa. from Nov. 26 through Jan. 9. The Museum is open every day except Christmas from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Special evening hours have been planned between Dec. 26 and 30, when the Museum will stay open to 8 p.m.

For further information, contact John Sheppard, Director of Public Relation, Brandywine River Museum (215) 388-7601.

CHADDS FORD, PA. — Children of all ages can appreciate the traditional holiday exhibition at the Brandywine River Museum.

The spirit of Christmas is alive and well once again at the Museum known for its paintings by the Wyeth family and scores of other American artists and illustrators.

A highlight of this year's show will be five displays devoted to the St. Nicholas and the elves theme. These sculpted figures were created by E.J. Taylor from clay, antique laces, fabric and other materials. They were originally done for

Tiffany's windows in New York.

Taylor, who now lives in London, began making puppets when he was seven. He now enjoys an international reputation for his work with the elfin-like sculptures.

Another special treat this year will be an exhibit of Palmer Cox's Brownies. Small as mice, cunning as foxes, his Brownies are a jovial band of free spirits who emerge in the evenings from their woodland haunts to enjoy the run of the countryside while mortals sleep.

Cox (1840-1924) received his inspiration for the Brownies from the folk tales of the Scottish emigrants he listened to as a boy in Granby, Canada. He adapted the legends to the environment of the 19th century American youngster and created a delightful fantasy world. The display includes books and periodicals, toys, china and many other fascinating objects on loan from the Margaret Woodbury Strong Museum in Rochester and other lenders.

Anyone who has seen the face of a child light up like a Christmas tree on Christmas

morning knows the magical feeling Ann Wyeth McCoy tries to capture in her display of rare antique dolls. Her private collection, often called one of the finest of its kind, has become a family tradition of the Museum. Her husband, artist John McCoy, provides the backdrop and special wintry effects.

The holiday show also includes a gallery filled with 0-gauge model trains running over a layout of more than 1500 feet of track. Trains, under the watchful eye of Steve Clarke, scoot around the landscaped platform, passing through tunnels, over bridges, around curves and bends. Clarke has been overseeing the train panorama for the past seven holiday seasons.

Visitors will be greeted by five living Christmas trees adorned with natural ornaments fashioned of flora native to the Brandywine Valley. Museum volunteers have been busy making "Christmas Critters" from Queen Anne's lace, pine cones, sycamore milkweed pods and goldenrod.

Scholarships Are Available

With one term of college already completed this year, many of you may be worried about the enormous amount of money involved in getting your education. Did you know that Army ROTC at the Penn State

Delaware County Campus has merit Scholarships available that pay for full tuition, books, fees, and up to one thousand dollars a year for each year that the scholarship is in effect? Now, if that doesn't ease your

worries, what will?

Call 565-3300, extension 243 or visit Captain Mac Chandler in the Academic Affairs modular for full information!

Contributed by Captain Mac Chandler

Facts About ROTC Scholarships

PERCEPTION: Only students currently enrolled in ROTC are eligible to compete for ROTC scholarships.

FACT: All qualified students, both enrolled and those not enrolled in ROTC, are eligible to compete for ROTC scholarships. This includes both freshmen and sophomores.

PERCEPTION: If I try to win an ROTC scholarship, I have to join ROTC.

FACT: You are under no obligation to join ROTC or the Army when you compete for a scholarship. If you do win a scholarship, and accept it, then you must join ROTC and accept a commission as a 2nd lieutenant upon graduation from school.

PERCEPTION: Only students with a 4.0 CUM should apply for an ROTC scholarship.

FACT: The ROTC scholarship is a merit scholarship based on

many factors, not just grades. Your parents financial status does not matter. What is important is a well-rounded individual who has demonstrated leadership potential. The minimum acceptable GPA to be competitive is 2.7 (except engineer majors. Theirs is 2.3).

PERCEPTION: ROTC scholarships pay for tuition only.

FACT: Army ROTC scholarships pay for full tuition, books, supplies, academic fees, plus provide up to \$1000 a year subsistence allowance for each year the scholarship is in effect.

PERCEPTION: If I do win a scholarship, I have to stay in the Army a long time.

FACT: Scholarship recipients are required to serve on active duty for only four years, during which time their salary will increase from \$18,000 their first year to over \$27,000 their

fourth year.

PERCEPTION: All scholarship students serve their active duty time in the infantry.

FACT: Only 10% of the entire Army is in a combat arms branch. Your branch is determined by your academic degree, your desires, and the needs of the Army.

PERCEPTION: Only students who want to be career soldiers should apply for an Army ROTC scholarship.

FACT: Though many students do stay in the Army as a career, the majority use their time in the service as a stepping stone to a successful business career. If you would like to find out more about the Army ROTC scholarship opportunities, the person to contact at the Delaware County Campus is Captain Mac Chandler, in the Academic Affairs Modular.

Does Your Calendar Look Empty

by Denise Weaver

Are you interested in joining a club? Need some information about an upcoming event? Or do you just want to help in a fundraiser? If so, the office of the Undergraduate Students Association is the place to go. U.S.A., which is the student government on campus, organizes activities for the students and the campus. It governs all clubs and sets up new ones such as: Baseball, Rocketry, the jazz band, and Street Hockey.

U.S.A. has done the decorating of the campus for Christmas and has held many events for this special holiday. It planned some fundraisers such as: candy cane sales, yo-yo sales, and a very special one called Toys for Tots. All students are encouraged to give money for this worthy cause. But only money; U.S.A. will buy the toys for the children. Any contributions are appreciated, no matter how small.

In the recent past there was a meeting at University Park called COBCSG, which stands for Council of Branch Campus Student Governments. Twenty-one presidents of the branch campuses attended this meeting which coordinates government at all Penn State Commonwealth Campuses.

Young women from Delco recently submitted their applications for *Glamour Magazine's* 1983 Top Ten College Women Competition. The winners will be selected by *Glamour* editors on the basis of their records of achievement in academic as well as extracurricular activities on campus and in the community. The top ten college women will receive a \$1,000 cash prize, and will be featured in *Glamour's* August College Issue.

The student association also placed a box in the cafeteria for Christmas cards. The various

cards were distributed to the appropriate individuals during school and the remainder at the party this Wednesday. The Christmas party scheduled for December 22 at 2:00 is sponsored by the U.S.A. for all students and faculty members. The party will be in the library and all food and refreshments are included.

In the near future U.S.A. will be organizing groups for 76er games and possibly some trips to Atlantic City, all during the winter term.

February is the month for all skiers, and U.S.A. has planned a five day ski trip to Vermont for all interested. The trip will cost \$240.00 per person. A dance-a-thon will also be held in February. The dance benefits the Leukemia center at the Hershey Medical Center. In addition, it is possible that there will be a Valentine's dance.

The Yearbook now has a committee on it, but anyone interested is invited to join. The Yearbook will be coming out in spring.

The second week in April the annual Spring Formal and Awards Banquet will be held. All Penn State students are invited to attend and are welcome to bring dates. The cost is \$35 per couple.

The U.S.A. plans to renovate the student lounge in the main building. If you have any suggestion on the color of the walls, the carpet, or the chairs; or maybe you want something new put in such as video games, then please put your ideas in the U.S.A. mailbox. SUGGESTIONS ARE NEEDED!!!

This year's president is Terry Montgomery, Vice President is Bill Jarrell, Mary Sadoriak is Treasurer and Leslie Miner is Secretary.

Anyone interested in helping out or would like to head a committee may see any of these people or simply put their requests or ideas in the U.S.A. mailbox.

Dean Linder assisting ROTC member in pushups while on a trip to Ft. Indiantown Gap.

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