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## Mark Your Calendar!

### 133rd Most Excellent Assembly Session to be Held February 1, 2014

Join us for the one-hundred and thirty-third Most Excellent Assembly Session, to be held at the Artisan Meeting Hall, 8100 Roosevelt Blvd. in Philadelphia, PA, on Saturday, February 1, 2014.



See you at the Session!

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# The Voice of the Gavel



Dear Brother and Sister Artisans,



Although it was a little touch-and-go weather-wise, Ocean City was once again a huge success. Thank you to everyone for all your hard work to help make it the great time that it was.

Friday night's tailgating party was enjoyed by all who braved the weather. Everyone enjoyed great company, great food and great entertainment.

On Saturday afternoon we held St. John's annual pool party. Thanks to all the members and non-members who came and worked or just had a good time. I would especially like to thank the sunshine that decided to join the party!

Saturday night brought us to the Annual Miss Artisan Pageant, where we crowned our newest Miss Artisan, Becca McCarragher from Tri-County Assembly. Congratulations, Becca!

Hopefully everyone is having a great summer and you are looking forward to the upcoming events we have planned. The first event is the MEMA weekend to Lancaster, PA, being held August 23-25. In November, join us for the Artisan Dining Club Show and Dance on November 16. In December, we will hold our annual Brunch with Santa, The St. John's/Artisans Christmas Party and then we will wrap up another fun-filled year with Disney on Ice. As usual, keep up-to-date on all event details by reading your *Artisan* online newsletter.

Fraternally Yours,

Robert J. Noble

*Most Excellent Master Artisan*

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## 2013 Ocean City Weekend a Great Success



*Most Excellent Officers and Miss Artisan Contestants*

We hope you were able to participate in this year's 68th Annual Ocean City Outing. It was by far one of the best weekends we have had in quite some time. Not only were we well-organized, but Mother Nature smiled on the Artisans once again. Even though we experienced some heavy rain on Friday and a brief shower on Saturday, the fun and festivities began at the rooftop party for Friday evening's Tailgate Party. As everyone enjoyed the entertainment by Artisan member and DJ extraordinaire, Tony D, MEMA Bob Noble and his hard-working committee treated the crowd to a delicious bounty. Numerous Artisan members donated cakes, cookies, dips and assorted specialties. Bob Noble, Scott Simmons, Ron Davis and Frank Reed also did a

spectacular job quenching everyone's thirst. If we missed thanking anyone, we offer our apologies. Following the amusements, miniature golf, the water park and pool party, Saturday evening was highlighted by the Miss Artisan Pageant. The young ladies were all so beautiful and talented that it must be a truly tough job to be a judge. They were all winners! Special thanks to Theresa Ludwig and Agnes Flanagan who helped the ladies, and to Bryan and Carla Werner who took photos of the pageant activities. Special thanks also to Jay Griesler who photographed portraits of each contestant. We would like to express our most sincere appreciation to everyone who helped make the entire weekend such a success!

### Artisan Sportsman's Club Report

The Artisans have formed a Sportsman's Club which will be open to both members and non-members, male and female. We will meet on the third Monday of every month from January through May and September through November at 7 p.m. at the Hall.

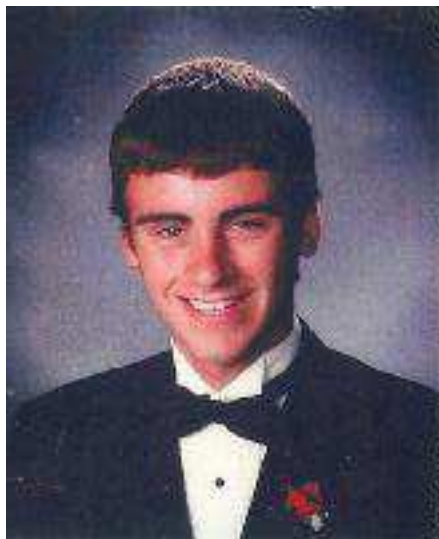
Annual dues will be charged as follows: age 15 and under: \$10; age 16 and over: \$20. Dues will be spent on light meeting refreshments and small payments for guest speakers. Any sports-related topic may be discussed and suggestions are always welcome.

Please contact Bob Noble at 215-333-2341 or [mcsf8151@verizon.net](mailto:mcsf8151@verizon.net) with ideas or suggestions. Our September meeting will be Monday, September 30 at 7 p.m. at the Hall and will feature guest speaker Dave Walker, a Glock specialist. Mark your calendars for our October 21 meeting when we will once again host Civil War reenactors of the Georgia 8th Regiment. This is an excellent presentation for Civil War buffs and interesting for those of all ages.



## Congratulations to the 2013 College Scholarship Winners

We are pleased to announce the winners in the 2013 College Scholarship Assistance Award Program. These awards are presented by The Artisans Dining Club, Inc.



Michael S. Bengis  
Haddon Assembly #12  
Saint Leo University



Andrea DeVito  
Fox Chase Assembly 71  
Holy Family University



Ryan P. Hennessey  
Northeast Assembly #11  
Drexel University



Kurran Keown  
Adelphi Assembly 59  
Johnson & Wales University



Allison N. Wierzbicki  
Tri-County Assembly #17  
Rowan University

## Congratulations Brother George Listner and Sister Donna Listner

Congratulations to George and Donna Listner on reaching milestones with the Artisans. Brother George began work at the Main Office in 1973 and now has 40 years of service. Sister Donna began work at the Main Office in 1976. She left for a time to have children and is now celebrating 28 years of service to the Order. Sister Donna and Brother George are pictured at right.

### Longtime Artisan Brother Perchalski

John A. Perchalski married Mary V. Walter in 1939 and joined the Artisans in 1941. They had four sons. In February 1956, they had the courage to leave family and friends to relocate to Florida where John was offered a job at RCA. A daughter was born that year. John was a ham radio operator all of his life. He worked out, lifted weights and drove until he was 91. Unfortunately, he now has severe dementia and is being very well-cared for at a long-term care facility. His family visits regularly. Brother John and his wife Mary are pictured below.

*Submitted by Mary V. Kerce, John's Daughter*



### Happy 96th Birthday to Brother John Stanowski, pictured below





## Introducing the 2013 Miss Artisan Pageant Contestants



*Miss GAA, Angela Bucci*



*Miss Haddon, Brittany Dorsonne*



*Miss St. John's, Katherine Kurtz*



*Miss Pennsylvania, Tara Lemma*



*Miss Northwestern, Kristen Mancano*

## Introducing the 2013 Miss Artisan Pageant Contestants



*Miss Tri-County,  
Rebecca McCarraher*



*Miss Adelphi, Lauren Mitchell*



*Miss Keystone, Jenna Paiano*



*Miss Philadelphia, Alyssa Pinkl*



*Miss Northeast, Danielle Quigley*



*Miss Delaware County,  
Jenna Vanderwoude*



## 2013 Miss Artisan Pageant Photo Ops



**Above: Miss Artisan  
2012 Kylie McDevitt  
and 2013 Miss Artisan  
Contestants and  
Attendants**

**At left: Attendants  
Tori Simmons (left)  
and Madison Galdieri  
(right) with Miss  
Artisan 2012**



**And there She is . . . Miss Artisan 2013**



**Congratulations  
Miss Artisan 2013,  
Rebecca  
McCarraher**

**Miss Artisan 2013  
with First and  
Second Runners-up  
Danielle Quigley and  
Brittany Dorsonne**



## 2013 Miss Artisan Pageant Photo Ops



*Above left: Most Excellent Master  
Artisan Robert J. Noble and Tina*



*Above right: Most Excellent  
Superintendent Theresa A. Ludwig  
and Gene Geary*



*Below right: Most Excellent Inspector  
David M. Szafran and Helen*



## Artisan Founder's Day 2013



*Above, left to right: George Listner, Jim Walls and Gene Geary*



*Above: Patty Hortman serving refreshments*



*Center: Former Phillies catcher Darren Daulton. Left to right: Ron Davis, George Listner, Dave Szafran, Tony Acconciamesa, Gene Geary, Bob Noble, Tom DiLauro, Terry Ludwig, Pat Ennis, Jim Walls and Carla Werner*



## Artisan Founder's Day 2013



*Above: Joseph and daughter serving cookies compliments of the Radisson*



*Above: Junior Artisans enjoying the moon bounce*



*Above: Enjoying friends and family with the Artisans*



*At right: Scott Simmons with the Boy Scouts*



## Artisan Founder's Day 2013



*Above: Artisan mascot leading the Mummers*

## Italian Cooking 101: Raising Money for JDRF



*Above: Liam and Harry Flanagan*

*Below: Waiting for the delicious Italian dinner*



## Italian Cooking 101: Raising Money for JDRF

*At right: George and Terry working hard.*

*Below, pictured left to right: Dave, George, Terry, Greg and Tony*



*Delicious appetizers before dinner*



*Above: Beautifully set tables ready for hungry Artisans*



## Special Thanks to all the Ocean City, NJ Boardwalk Merchants Who Participated in this Year's Artisan Family Weekend

### 9th Street South to 13th St. Area

Shrivers, 9th and Boardwalk  
Lola's, 902 Boardwalk  
Ocean City Coffee  
Pier 9 Golf, Seaport Village  
Big Slice Pizza  
Monkey Bread  
Cloud Nine  
Beach Jewelry  
Ham Burgher Construction  
AThree Brothers, 1030 Boardwalk  
Habitat, 1032 Boardwalk  
Breezin' Up  
Polish Water Ice, 830 Boardwalk  
Polish Water Ice, 1068 Boardwalk  
Fralinger's Salt Water Taffy  
Mia's Christmas Gallery  
Only Yesterday's  
Jilly's T Shirt Factory, 1048 Boardwalk  
Jilly's Arcade, 1168 Boardwalk  
Jilly's T-Shirt, 936 Boardwalk  
The Spot by Jilly's, 1066 Boardwalk  
Air Circus, 12th and Boardwalk  
Marty's Beachwear  
Henry's, 1214 Boardwalk  
Jersey Shore Outlet  
Sun & Fun, 1212 Boardwalk  
Ocean City Memories, 1200 Boardwalk  
Dog Shack, 1236 Boardwalk  
Linda's, 13th and Boardwalk  
Old Salt, 1312 Boardwalk  
Three Fish, 1322 Boardwalk  
Custom T's, 1304 Boardwalk  
Onni and OC the Shining Sea, 1356-1358 Boardwalk



### 9th Street North to 7th St. Area

Litterers, 840 Boardwalk  
Yo Go Yoghurt Factory  
Kohr Brothers Custard  
City Information Center, front of Music Pier  
Swim Wear Store (across from Music Pier)  
Pisa Pizzeria (across from the Music Pier)  
Shirt Shack  
South Seas Shop, 8th and Boardwalk  
The Spot by Jilly's, 762 Boardwalk  
The Fudge Kitchen  
The Promenade Food Court  
George's Candies  
Shirt World  
Somers  
Shirts and Things  
Philly Pretzel Twist  
Tater's Fries  
7th St. Surf Shop  
7th St. Arcade



## A Special Thank You!!!



## Remember a Loved-One or Special Occasion with a Leaf on the Artisans Fraternal Memorial Tree

**N**ow you can permanently memorialize your loved-one or mark a special occasion with a beautiful polished-brass Artisan fraternal leaf inscribed with your personal message. Your family memento will be permanently mounted on our handcrafted Artisan Fraternal Tree, located in the Artisans Headquarters Office. Your fraternal memory will join other Artisan memories in this unique setting. The cost is only \$50 for each fraternal leaf which includes the cost of engraving. One hundred percent of all contributions benefit fraternal activities to help needy Artisans and their families.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar amount enclosed (\$50 per leaf): \_\_\_\_\_

### Inscription

The maximum inscription is 4 lines with 13 characters per line, including spaces. As a suggestion, your inscription may be personalized to recognize a loved one, beginning with the wording "In honor of...", "In memory of..." or "In celebration of...". A special message or simply the donor's name, family name or business name may be included.

Your inscription:

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Please mail this form along with your donation to:  
The Artisans, c/o Memorial Tree, 8100 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19152.  
Please make checks payable to "Artisans" or "AOMP."



## Attention Business Owners:

### Take Advantage of Inexpensive Advertising on our Website!

For only \$50, we will display your ad for an entire year! Email a PDF of your business card to [artisansomp@aol.com](mailto:artisansomp@aol.com) (you will be billed) or mail a hard copy to the Main Office with your check. Take advantage of this great deal and our increased readership as *The Artisan* is now online!



## Read Us Online at [www.artisansaomp.org](http://www.artisansaomp.org)

To save trees and printing and mailing costs,  
you will now be able to access each issue of

*The Artisan* on our Web site at  
[www.artisansaomp.org](http://www.artisansaomp.org).

Send your email to [artisansomp@aol.com](mailto:artisansomp@aol.com)  
to receive alerts when a new issue is posted.  
Remember to keep reading *The Artisan*!

## Deaths Reported from March 20 to May 31, 2013

Name	Assembly	Date of Death
Bucci, Mary A.	Philadelphia	4/14/2013
Clarke, Regina	Northeast	4/18/2013
Cleary, Vincent D.	Columbia	2/13/2013
Cope, Harvey	Member-at-Large	3/24/2013
Davis, Robert J.	Member-at-Large	2/5/2013
Dunn, Harry H.	Member-at-Large	3/30/2013
Friedman, Scott	Keystone	3/16/2013
Hare, Jr. John	Member-at-Large	3/2/2013
Holmes, Annette	Northeast	5/21/2013
Hull, Jules J.	Member-at-Large	12/31/2012
Incantalupi, Mary	Philadelphia	4/27/2013
LaRosa, Roger B.	Member-at-Large	4/14/2013
Lentz, Howard	Northwestern	3/5/2013
Nace, Joseph	Northwestern	4/13/2013
Osborne, John F.	Member-at-Large	4/16/2013
Padula, Jr. William V.	Delaware County	3/2/2013
Phillips, Jr. Paul	Northwestern	2/26/2013
Remick, Ferdinand	St. John's	1/25/2013
Siess, Ann Marie	Member-at-Large	3/11/2013
Smart, Donald F.	Lehigh	5/3/2013
Steel, Robert E.	Lehigh	5/1/2013
Stellwagen, Jr., William	St. John's	4/13/2013
Thibault, Richard A.	Member-at-Large	5/6/2013
Trout, Robert J.	Member-at-Large	3/18/2013

## Our Condolences

# Join The Artisans' Boosters

**Where:** Jim Thorpe, PA

**When:** October 5, 2013

**Why:** Another Opportunity to  
Spend Time with your Fellow Artisans



*Experience a one-hour train ride into the Lehigh River Gorge from Jim Thorpe. Follow the winding Lehigh River, rounding curve after curve, take in the beautiful scenery. You can enjoy the train ride either in a coach car (\$12) or an open-air car (\$18). The train ride runs at 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m.*

*Fall Foliage Festival includes outstanding vendors (food, arts and crafts), free music events at 4 different venues throughout the downtown area all within a short walking distance of each other, and seasonal specials from restaurants and shops are featured during the 2013 Fall Foliage Weekends in Jim Thorpe.*

*The cost per person is \$25 for the bus ride to Jim Thorpe. After that you are on your own to do whatever your heart desires. The bus will depart at 8 a.m. from Cinnaminson, NJ and will return at 8 p.m. If you are interested in taking the train ride please add \$12 or \$18 to the initial cost and indicate your time preference for*

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*the train ride. Please use the trip registration form below and make all checks payable to NJ Artisans Boosters.*

*For additional information please contact Sharon Bean at 609-707-2067 or Terry Green at 856-258-6689*

**Artisans' Boosters Jim Thorpe Trip  
Registration Form  
October 5, 2013**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information (include phone number and e-mail address)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Number of people:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of people for train ride:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Time preference for train ride:**

\_\_\_ 10 a.m.      \_\_\_ 12 p.m.      \_\_\_ 2 p.m.      \_\_\_ 4 p.m.

**Mail Registration form and checks to Sharon Bean at the address below no later than September 18, 2013. The earlier the better, as we expect this trip to sell out fast.**

**Sharon Bean  
2438 E Gordon St  
Philadelphia, PA 19125**

**\*\*Reminder: Please make checks payable to NJ Boosters\*\***

# ARTISANS

## Coach Bingo Party

WIN A COACH HANDBAG EVERY GAME

(ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO THE SUSAN G. KOMEN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION)



**Saturday, September 14, 2013**  
**8100 Roosevelt Boulevard**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**Tickets are \$30.00 in advance or \$35.00 at the door**  
**Deadline to purchase discount tickets September 6th**

**BYOB**

**Light refreshments will be served**



Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ tickets.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Artisans

Please mail to : 8100 Roosevelt Blvd Philadelphia, PA 19152



## Where Would We Be Without You?

### Consider these questions:

If no one introduced YOU to the Artisans, what would be different in your life?

What would be different about our organization without YOU?

Our goals are to provide quality products and services for you and your family. We have been doing this for the tens of thousands of Artisan members since May 1, 1873. It was through the vision of a handful of people that our organization was created.

### Our organization provides:

- 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.

We have all this and more to offer you. Now we are asking for something from you. We would like you to talk with your friends and ask them to join the Artisans. It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words, so when you are through with your copy of *The Artisan*, pass it along. Let others see the many activities and advantages our membership has to offer.

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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## ARTISANS ORDER OF MUTUAL PROTECTION

### Application for Membership

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

To the Officers and Members of \_\_\_\_\_ Assembly No. \_\_\_\_\_

Having formed a favorable opinion of your Order and believing in the existence of a Supreme Being, I desire to become a member of your Assembly. If I am elected to membership I agree that I may apply for insurance within five days. I agree to be bound by all of the laws, rules and regulations of the Order and the Assembly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ SS # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Assembly No. \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant must be recommended by a member of the Artisans Order of Mutual Protection in good standing.

# Coming Events

## AUGUST

23-25 M.E.M.A. Weekend to the Lancaster  
Host Resort (\$275 Per Couple)



## SEPTEMBER

- 2 Labor Day
- 5 Rosh Hashana
- 8 Grandparents Day
- 9 Artisans Dining Club
- 13 Artisans Memorial Post 120
- 13 Ladies Post Auxiliary
- 14 Coach Bingo Party
- 16 M.E. Officers Visitation to Haddon #12
- 20 National POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 24 M.E. Officers and G.A.A. Visitation to  
St. John's #28
- 26 G.A.A. Quarterly Meeting
- 29 Gold Star Mothers Day

## OCTOBER

- 5 NJ Boosters Bus Trip to Jim Thorpe
- 9 M.E. Officers Visitation to Northeast #11
- 11 Artisans Memorial Post 120
- 11 Ladies Post Auxiliary
- 12 G.A.A. Bingo
- 14 Artisans Dining Club
- 14 Columbus Day
- 15 M.E. Officers Visitation to Tri-County #17
- 31 Happy Halloween



## NOVEMBER

- 1 All Saints Day
- 2 All Souls Day
- 3 Daylight Savings Ends
- 8 Artisans Memorial Post 120
- 8 Ladies Post Auxiliary
- 11 Artisan Dining Club
- 16 ADC Show and Dance at the Radisson
- 27 Chanukah Begins
- 28 Happy Thanksgiving

## DECEMBER

- 5 Chanukah Ends
- 7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- 7 Junior Artisan Day with Santa
- 9 Artisan Dining Club
- 13 Artisans Christmas Party  
Sponsored by St. John's #28
- 25 Merry Christmas
- 31 New Year's Eve

