



YAF News

Fourth Quarter 2018

### **Letter From The President**

Dear Members and Friends,



As the year draws to a close, I have been reflecting on the past year. We have had many accomplishments. To name a few, we hosted our first-ever Jewelry Trunk Show in February (look for another trunk show early next year); we showcased the art of York County students at our elementary and middle school shows; we presented a solo show by Lew Thatcher; we offered wonderful (and free) art experiences over three weeks in the summer to local children at our Summer Sampler programs; and we presented the Seventh annual Art Stroll.

Most recently was our Third annual 5x5(x5) silent auction fundraiser, which, in addition to raising funds, helped fulfill our mission to expose the visual arts to our community. Special thanks go out to Susan Copenhaver, who worked tirelessly, from beginning to end, to make the event a success.

My term as Yorktown Arts President is also ending. We will elect a new president and two other Board of Directors positions at our annual member meeting, which will be held on Saturday, Jan. 12 at 6 p.m. I hope to see you there.

It has been rewarding to me to represent this great organization and our wonderful artists in our community.

I wish you all Happy Holidays, and see you next year!

Kathleen Wahl  
President

### **Where's the newsletter?**

If you wondered last month where the monthly newsletter was, here's the answer: We have decided to change the frequency from monthly to quarterly. Not to worry! You'll still here from us regularly, through email blasts, Facebook and our website.

If you are not a subscriber, you can sign up through [this link](#). Be sure to follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/onthehillgallery>.

### **Third Annual 5x5(x5) Silent Auction Fundraiser Exposes Broader Community to Fine Arts**

Funds have been raised, but perhaps more importantly, many folks in our community have been exposed to the fine arts. In addition to presenting the 5x5(x5) Exhibit to the public at the Art



Stroll and in Riverwalk Restaurant's lobby, we had the opportunity to exhibit at the Yorktown Market Days Fall Festival. There, we were able to talk to hundreds of people, tell the story of our mission, share pictures of our Summer Children's Art Camp, and invite our neighbors personally to visit our gallery and to attend the 5x5 event.

Members and friends, when you donate small pieces of your creativity, you are the backbone of this event. We thank you!

Volunteers are indispensable! You loyally step in to serve wherever needed, designing promotional materials, photographing, promoting through media, assembling displays, carting and setting up booths at the Art Stroll and at Yorktown Market Days, being there to represent YAF and our mission to the public. So too, are those of you who helped at the event with setup and breakdown, who welcomed guests and served as ambassadors to the community. Oh, and let's not forget to thank those who provided and served a generous selection food and drink! We thank you!

Next time you visit any of our sponsors, be sure to thank them for their generous support.

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Riverwalk Restaurant & Water Street Grill  
Williamsburg Winery  
Viccellio's Goldsmith & Fine Jewelry

Yorktown Arts Foundation receives ongoing support by:

Triangle Arts and Culture League  
Virginia Commission of the Arts  
National Endowment for the Arts  
York County Arts Commission

### **Treasurer's Corner With Sue Legault: You Gotta Love Free Money**

Yes – we can get free money! Kroger and Amazon offer ways for shoppers to support their favorite charities. Kroger's Community Rewards program provides 3.5 million dollars a year to non-profit organizations, and you can help YAF get some of those funds.

It's easy to do – first you need a Kroger Plus card, which you can get free at the store. Next enroll your card online by visiting [www.Kroger.com/CommunityRewards](http://www.Kroger.com/CommunityRewards). On the left side of your screen should be a section titled 'I'm a Customer' with a button that says 'View Details'. Click the button and then enter our organization number, **GD943**, and press enter. That's all there is to it! Every quarter, the Yorktown Arts Foundation will receive FREE MONEY! You will need to

re-register around September 1 annually, but I'll remind you when it's time to do that each year. We are also enrolled on Amazon Smile. When you shop on Amazon Smile, you can designate a charity to receive a percentage of your purchases. YAF received \$32 last month from Amazon from the Smile program – and we didn't have to do anything! To make sure YAF benefits from your shopping, begin searching at <https://smile.amazon.com> and designate Yorktown Arts Foundation as your charity.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this or any other financial matter, please feel free to contact me by email – [suelegault@aol.com](mailto:suelegault@aol.com).

## Holiday Hours

The Members Holiday Show continues through Dec. 22 for your holiday shopping pleasure. Stop in and find a unique gift for that someone special!

On The Hill Gallery will be open regular hours – 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday — through Saturday, Dec. 23. The Gallery will be closed from Dec. 22-Jan. 1, and open again on Jan. 2.

## Toot Your Own Horn!

Have you received recognition or an award for your art? We invite you to share the good news (and a photo) in this newsletter.

First up is our treasurer Sue Legault, who was honored at the Association of Michigan Basketmakers Convention in May. She writes:

"I won first place in both Ribbed Construction (the Seashell basket, pictured) and Nantucketts (with my Blue Diamonds tote). Additionally, at the Virginia State Fair this year, I took seven blue ribbons (six for Basketry and one for an antique circa 1895 woven Wakefield baby carriage), and Best of Section - Basketry for my Kitten Head ash basket (the same one that took 1<sup>st</sup> place at our Members Show in May) and Best of Section – Antiques for my baby carriage!"



If you would like to be featured in a future newsletter, please send a description and photo to [yorktownartsfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:yorktownartsfoundation@gmail.com).

## Events

**Through December 22:** Members Holiday Show

**December 1:** Christmas on Main Street Historic Yorktown

**January 12:** Yorktown Arts Foundation annual meeting

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*Yorktown Arts Foundation and On The Hill Gallery are located at 402 Main Street, in Historic Yorktown, Virginia. The Gallery is open 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday.*

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