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A Memorial Salute to Dan Caimi (1924 – 2007)

Daniel Joseph Caimi, a long time and well liked member of the club died on February 1. Although not active in the club recently, our records indicate he joined the Club in 1963 and was reinstated in 1978. Several of our older members remember him and recall his likeable character. As a youth he had studied at the Graphic Sketch Club, now known as the Fleisher Art Memorial. After being drafted into the Army, Dan landed on Omaha Beach, served as a topographic draftsman in the 702nd Tank Battalion under General George S. Patton, fought in the Battle of the Bulge and helped liberate concentration death camps. Dan's love for art brought him back to Philadelphia where he studied at The Museum School of Industrial Art and The John Hussian School of Art. In 1979 he joined the Franklin Mint as a medallist sculptor where he personally designed the medal "Crown of Thorns". He became a freelance artist for the Hamilton Mint and The American Bicentennial Corporation. In 1988, he was an Artist in Residence at the Coombs School, Berks County, England. He also became a fine artist of note with his watercolors and oils being in many collections in the US, England and Scotland. As **Domenic DiStefano** recalls, "Dan was a former member of the Sketch Club and enjoyed it so much. He was well known

to many of the members and a fine artist and a wonderful man."

In The "Air" Show at The Plastic Club our members made a considerable mark. **Laura Jean Zito** won first for her photograph "Brighton Pier." **Robert Bohné** won second for his oil "Clouds Over Manasquan." **Carole J. Meyers** received the third for her monotype "A Place for Us." **Bonnie Schorske** won Honorable Mention for her digital print "Laundry Day, Cape Flats, SA" as did **Paul Clement** for his watercolor "Dracularity." Other PSC members and monitors in the exhibition included **Dorothy Roschen, Naomi Rubin, Elizabeth MacDonald, Anders Hansen, Reinhold Edelschein, Jack Gerber, Edwin Allen, Mina Smith-Segal, Sy Hakim, Idaherma Williams, Jerome Schwartz, Irma Shapiro, John Kogel, Mary Beaumont, Dick Goldberg** and **Sheldon Strober**. The exhibition ran from March 4 to March 21.

Election

Nominations for the Election of Officers & Board Members

Our May meeting is our Annual Members Meeting where we elect Officers & Board Members. This year we will be voting on the Officers and seven Board Member slots. In accordance with our by-laws a committee has been appointed to help administer the elections. **Rik Viola** has been appointed Chairman of the Nominations Committee and the other committee members are **Lois Schlachter** and **Joanne B. Kunz**. If you have an interest

in running for one of these positions or want more information about them, please contact any current Officer, Board Member, **Rik** (violart@comcast.net or 856-546-5878), **Lois** (cvalen11@aol.com or 610-287-6827) or **Joanne** (kunzart@hotmail.com or 610-896-8579). A slate of officers will be published with the May *Portfolio*.

Exhibitions

The Art of the Flower Show

A great deal of thanks to **Bonnie Schorske** and **Barbara Keogh** for their work ad Co-Chairs of *The Art of the Flower Show*. For the second year in a row, this show was very well received by participants and our audiences. It should be noted that the list of award winners in last month's *Portfolio* included four members. They were **Idaherma Williams, Dorothy Roschen, Jane Hilles** and **Joanne B. Kunz**. Other club members in the exhibition included **Carol Kardon, Patrick Monaghan, Doris Peltzman, Monique Lazard, Reinhold Edelschein, Robert Bohne, Laura Zito, John Kogel, Gerd Maul, Brooke Steytler, John Lear, Carole Meyers** and **Naomi Rubin**.

144th Small Oils Exhibition

The exhibition opens April 13, so it will be up for the April dinner meeting. If you can't make the dinner meeting, please try to make the reception on April 15. The jurors this year were **Stanley Bielen, John Ennis** and **Marianne Mitchell**.

Note: Members and invited Patrons – don't forget the

reception starts at 1 PM with a brunch. Please let Barbara Murray know if you plan on attending the brunch so we can make adequate arrangements.

Jim Kelly Exhibition

"The Beauty that Surrounds Us" by photographer **Jim Kelly** is on display in the first floor gallery and will be there until April 29.

2007 PSC Members Exhibition at Newman Galleries

Yes! The really big news is that Newman Galleries has agreed to host an exhibition of works by our members starting with a reception on Saturday, June 2. Our sincere thanks are extended to **Terry, Andy** and **Walter Newman** for their hosting of this event for the third time. Please start planning now as to which of your very best pieces you will put in the show. There will be just one entry per member. A Prospectus for the exhibition will be published with our May *Portfolio*. Remember as in the past, the works will be delivered to the Sketch Club and then transported to Newman Galleries. All this will be published in the Prospectus, so please follow these guidelines.

New Members

New members who joined the Club within the last month were **Robert Bohné, Charles Cushing, Patrick Monaghan, Steven Lorber** and **Materese Roche**. **Naomi Rubin**, a prior member, has been reinstated.