



# Mandan Art Association Newsletter

**July, 2008**

**Special Edition**

## Gallery Update:

**We finally did it** – we opened our member's gallery on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, just in time for the Art in the Park event in Dykshorn Park in Mandan. We have some wonderful pieces on display in the gallery. Thanks to member Barbara Bruce for all the hours she spent helping me set up display furniture, check in artwork, tag and hang the displays and of course, clean the area where we are located. Also, thanks to the Dakota Woodturners, Caroline Conrath, and Jescia Hoffman for demonstrating their artistic talent during the Art in the Park Event.

**We** currently have 20 artists displaying their work, which includes paintings, drawings, photography, wood turning, pottery, jewelry and china painting. We are also setting up a small space as a **"Gift Shop area"**. If you are currently displaying items in the gallery and have small items you would like to put in the gift shop area, please contact me. If you are not currently displaying but would like to put some small items in the gift shop area, give me a call or e-mail me. We are mainly looking for small items priced under \$25.00 – such as miniature paintings, greeting cards, jewelry, small wood turnings or carvings, ceramics, or any other hand created items. If you know of anyone who you think might be interested, tell them to contact me.

**We** are now anxiously waiting for the Mandan Progress organization to move into the building and put up the signs on the exterior of the building so people know where we are. Meanwhile I played carpenter and built two portable a-frame signs to set out each day and Melissa Gordon painted the text on the signs. Thanks, Melissa – you did a great job.

**The hours for the gallery are currently Tuesday through Saturday, from 12 Noon to 5:00 pm. These hours are subject to change as we learn more about our new venture.**

**We** have arranged an area in the conference room for demonstrations, lessons or just plain open studio for a few artists to get together to share ideas and work together. If you are interested in demonstrating your work on the following dates, contact Rose Heiser (751-0796 or e-mail: mandanartassociation@yahoo.com). Demonstration hours would be 1pm to 4pm.

**Saturday, July 26**

**Saturday, August 9**

**Saturday, August 23**

**Saturday, September 6**

**Saturday, September 20**

The space is large enough for two people to work in case you and a friend would like to demonstrate together. There is no fee to demonstrate and you may bring pieces to sell.

**We** will also make the space available for any member who wishes to give lessons. There would be a small fee charged. Please contact us at least two months in advance so that we can arrange advertising and publicity.

I'm inviting all artists who are interested to bring their equipment and join me on Tuesday afternoons for an open studio "jam session". Bring your pencils, charcoal, pastels, pen and ink, or watercolors and share your work and your ideas. **(No oil or acrylic paints, please!)** The coffee will be on – come and join us!

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**Our next meeting will be Wednesday, August 13 at 7:00 pm in the conference room at the gallery, 411 West Main Street.**

**All members are encouraged to attend.**

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Here are several photos of our current gallery displays. You'll notice the various types of tables, shelves, and cabinets in the photos. Currently we are operating with furniture borrowed from several sources. We are trying to raise enough funds to have some display units built to better fit the area and to display the art work to more advantage. Since we don't think Santa Claus will drop these down our chimney, we're asking for help from all our members and friends in raising the needed funds.

We are a non-profit, tax exempt organization so all donations are tax deductible.



**Contact:**  
 Rose Heiser at 751-0796, or by e-mail:  
[mandanartassociation@yahoo.com](mailto:mandanartassociation@yahoo.com) for any  
 questions or comments.

**Membership:**

**Renewals:**

Susan Beehler	Barbara Bruce
Beverly L Haas	Charlene Jones
Richard Jorgensen	Carol Samuelson
Connie Serhienko	Shannon Wirrenga
JoAnn Zahursky-Klein	

**New Members:**

Dakota Woodturners	Kathleen Fettig
Della Hartgrove	Jescia Hoffman
Kip Hurley	Evie Kiser
Loretta Landeis	Char McLaughlin
Margy Pearson	Janine Thull
Kay Solberg Link	Margaret Swift
Donna Zander	

**2009 Show Sponsors:**

Estate of Mildred Block

**Lifetime Member:**

Caroline Conrath

**Gallery Donors – 2008**

Rose Heiser  
 Charlene Jones

**Help us keep our gallery open by becoming a Gallery donor:**

**Donors - \$100.00 to \$499.99**

**Silver Donors - \$500.00 to \$999.00**

**Gold Donors - \$1,000.00 and over**

**All donors will receive a framed certificate of appreciation suitable for hanging.**

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**Forms for membership, show sponsorship and gallery donors are on our website at:**

**[www.mandanart.org](http://www.mandanart.org)**