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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Another great Spring Exhibit! I missed seeing all the beautiful artwork and the stage setting done by **Grace Cherwek**, because of my accident (broken ankle). I look forward to viewing photos of the event soon.

I have been working with Creative Arts and the Reading Garden Club in preparation for the September 11th Annual Street Faire. I will contact members about helping out--either painting, attending our booth, giving out brochures, and/or being part of a musical event! Please help in some way. We need to be more visual in the community, and what a Splashing way to do it! Please email me now (jeannette_corbett@yahoo.com) or call me at 781 944 3181; or plan to talk to me on June 8th during our RAA Banquet about our participation at the Annual Street Faire in September.

In addition to the wonderful active core of RAA members, we need a few more volunteers for different positions in our organization to be filled for next year: officers and committee

chairpersons as well as positions involving grants or award money. Let’s keep our organization vibrant! Please let me know of your availability.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the annual banquet at the Hillview Country Club on Wednesday, June 8th. (The reservation form is attached.) Our guest speaker is Maryellen Stone, a wildlife photographer and long-time member of RAA! If you’d like to peek at her work, her website is www.naturesimages.com.

**Jeannette
Corbett**



**SINCERE THANKS FROM OUR
SPRING SHOW COCHAIRS!**

Our Spring Show 2011 is now over, and our recollection of the participation of our members is gratifying. The show was smaller than usual but certainly no less professional or painterly. Thank you to all who helped to make it so. We

always appreciate the willingness of our members to form the committees that are necessary for a successful outcome. Our thanks to each of you, and we hope the time you gave was a happy experience for you.

Grace Evelyn and

FROM OUR TREASURER ♦ ♦ ♦

There were 91 main entries in our show, and we thank all the artists who participated. We hope you all keep busy this summer getting ready to participate in the Fall Show next November. Here is the report of this spring's sales:

2 Main Entries	\$ 825.00
4 Mini Entries	350.00
2 Unframed Entries	120.00
60 Note Cards	<u>140.00</u>
Total Sales	\$1,435.00

Our special thanks go to **INGEBORG BURGGRAF**, **GINGER GREENBLATT**, and **MARTY MARSHALL** for their generous contributions to the Spring Show. New members may not be aware that the Reading Art Association does not take any commission on the sale of artwork at our shows. However, donations by the artists are always welcome.

Leo Lambert, Treasurer

<p>WELCOME, NEW MEMBER Joyce Josephson of Reading, Artist</p>

PEOPLE DOINGS ♦ ♦ ♦

Three of our artists were juried into Grace Chapel's "New Works" Exhibit in Lexington, which ran from February 12th to March 30th:

Florence Como's Watercolor, *Life Cycle*, and Acrylic, *Poppy Field in Umbria*.
Carol Groezinger's *Rockland Dawn 2*, an Acrylic.

Leda Sullivan's Oil, *White Rose*.

Five of our artists are exhibiting in Grace Chapel's "Splashes of Color," which is on display from April 16th to June 1st:

Dee Birch's *Jubilation*, Chinese Watercolor & Ink on Rice Paper.

Florence Como's two Acrylics, *Loosestrife at Eveningtide* and *Sunset at Bass Rocks*.

Carol Groezinger's *Gnarled Willow*, a Mixed, Watercolor, Color Bar.

Mary Kelly's *Bowl of Lemons* in Oil and *Sunflower* in Watercolor.

Leda Sullivan's Acrylic, *Tulips in a Row*.

NOTE: The Grace Chapel Art Gallery will be closed for renovations in July and August. The year's schedule will be posted in June on their website, <http://www.grace.org/artgallery> in preparation for September registrations.

Lynne Cassinari presented a watercolor demonstration at the Lynnfield Art Guild in April.

Charles Gargas is exhibiting his artwork at the Wakefield Co-op Bank in Lynnfield Centre.

Sandy Kirby and **Patty Howell** had an art exhibit and sale at the Stoneham Library during the month of April.

Lorraine O'Brien's *Gloucester Coast* was included in the "Art in Bloom" display at the Lynnfield Library. **Lorraine** also has art on exhibit at the Wakefield Co-op Bank in Lynnfield Centre.

Barbara Penniston's artwork is in the exhibit at the Wakefield Co-op Bank in Lynnfield.

2011-2012 RAA DEMONSTRATORS ♦ ♦

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Sept. 14, 2011 - Members' Demonstrations:

Fran Nola - Watercolor

Robert Cyr - Acrylic

Dee Birch - Chinese Brush Painting

Judy Hayworth - Pastels

October 12, **Tom Sutherland - Oils**

November - **OUR MEMBERS' FALL SHOW**

December 14, 2011, Carolyn Letvin - Oil Sticks

Jan. 11, 2012, Robin Frisella - Pastel Still Life

February 8, Marian Dioguardi - Still Life - Oils

March 14, Gene Mackles - Oils - Cityscape

April 11, Steve Greco - Acrylic Wildlife

May - **OUR OPEN SPRING SHOW**

June - **Annual Dinner**

OPPORTUNITIES TO EXHIBIT ♦ ♦ ♦

Bunker Hill Community College seeks artists in many media to exhibit in its fairs the 3rd Sunday of each month (unless otherwise specified). Each fair showcases a different artist or antique dealer. Call 781-961-1149 or go online at www.nefaaaf.com for information.

Firehouse Center for the Arts would like artists to submit work to be exhibited in the Gallery between July 1 and December 31, 2011. Email Pamela@firehouse.org for information.

The Merrimac Public Library has a beautiful new area with lots of light and a very nice hanging system. If you would be interested in exhibiting there, call Ann Tucker at 978 346 4723 or email otispup@comcast.net.

PLACES TO GO ♦ ♦ ♦

Danvers Art Association Annual Silent Auction at Peabody Institute Library, 15 Sylvan Street, Danvers, now through June 30th. Call 978 777 8501 for hours open.

Greater Haverhill Arts Association Annual Art Exhibit, May 17th-May 29th, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Buttonwoods Museum, Haverhill Historical Society, 240 Water St. Reception Friday, May 20th, 6:30-9 p.m., with wine & cheese and light refreshments.

Greater Haverhill Arts Association Workshops are held second and fourth Saturdays at the First Church in Bradford, 9-12 noon. Entry fee \$5. Instructors Mark Hayden, Copley Master Portrait Artist; Joan Rademacher, accomplished landscape artist and still life artist (all media); Dena Carbone, coordinator, 603 382 1082.

The Face of Jesus – International Mallat Exhibition with over 250 pieces of art from 40 countries. The Angles & Art Gallery, 80 Wingate Street, Haverhill, through May 31st.

Lynnfield Art Guild Spring Show, Lynnfield Meeting House, Lynnfield Centre. Reception Friday, May 20th, 7 to 9 p.m. Show Saturday, May 21st, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Please notice your dues expiration date in the upper right-hand corner of your address label.

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DEADLINE FOR NEXT MIXED MEDIA
Wednesday, August 24, 2011

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