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From left, Randy Myers, The Evergreens, and the Irish Pretenders will perform during the 1st annual Lucky Leprechaun 5K Irish Festival March 21 from 1 to 6 p.m. at The Philip Dressler Center for the Arts.

Be a lucky leprechaun and attend our 1st annual Irish Festival

Erin go Bragh! Break out your finest green and join us for the first annual Lucky Leprechaun 5k Irish Festival from 1 to 6 p.m. March 21 at The Philip Dressler Center for the Arts, 214 S. Harrison Ave., Somerset.

This event is the collaborative effort of the Rotary Club of Somerset #5250 and Laurel Arts. The event will include a 5k run/walk race, music, food vendors and beverages.

Come for the race, as a participant or spectator, and stay for the food, beverages, music and fun, the likes of which will make any Irish eyes smile! Oh, and don't forget to dress in your finest Irish attire!

Entertainment starts at 1 p.m. with The Evergreens. The Irish Pretenders will perform from 2:15 to 4 p.m.; followed by Randy Myers from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

The event will be free to attend. Only race participants will have a registration fee. The race begins at 2 p.m. A registration form is available at www.laurelarts.org. Pre-register to be guaranteed a race T-shirt. You can also register the day of the race.



This is an outdoor event, but tents and a fire ring will be available.

Through this event, we hope to bring the community together to enjoy a day of both fitness and fun, with the ultimate goal to raise funds to help support the programs, projects and initiatives of both the Rotary Club of Somerset and Laurel Arts.



***Soup'er Bowl is this Saturday
from noon to 2:30 p.m.***

601 Georgian Place, Somerset

Join us for hot soup, take home a cool bowl!!

Upcoming exhibits ...

Through March 21

Somerset Area Schools Exhibit

This is always the biggest of our three school shows. Art, produced by students from kindergarten through 12th grade, will hang from floor to ceiling.

March 31 - April 30

Uncommon Threads

Uncommon Threads will feature sculptural, functional, wearable or whimsical works from regional artists displaying craftsmanship, creativity and skill in the area of fiber arts. Fiber arts describes a wide variety of techniques, such as basketry, coiling, crochet, embroidery, felting, knitting, lacemaking, macrame, papermaking, quilting, rug braiding, rug hooking, silk painting, spinning, tapestry, tatting, textile design, weaving, and more.

Opening Reception
6 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 3



Located upstairs at
The Philip Dressler Center
for the Arts

Somerset Area School District art exhibit winners

Over 400 guests visited the galleries during the opening of this year's Somerset Area School District Art Exhibit Sunday, March 1. Special recognition was presented to the following artists:

Best of Show:

- Kenzee Dunmeyer (K)
- Cadence Shaffer (1st grade)
- Eli Little (2nd grade)
- Autumn Randolph (3rd grade)
- Arihanna Hellams (4th grade)
- Peyton Kaltenbaugh (5th grade)
- Trinity Oester (6th grade)
- Marlen Davalos (8th grade)
- Sam Jano (9th grade)
- Emma Blough (10th grade)
- Elizabeth Martin (11th grade)
- Ivy Thomas (12th grade)

Superintendent's Award:

- April Eutsey
- Anna Shaffer
- Riley Dewitt
- Jocelyn Carper
- Leah Krause
- Moriek Jones
- Kaila Smith
- Madison House
- Cassidy Petersen
- Elizabeth Martin
- Lorin Harris
- Neha Rigo

Principal's Award:

- Meridan Ambrocik
- Bodee Miller
- Aidan Stupka
- Aaron Pyle
- Lip Dinh
- Mirabella Tweardy
- Lauren Baker
- Christen Humberson
- Sam Jano
- Bethany Woolley
- Luis Garcia
- Madison Miller

Faculty Award:

- Carsen Weimar
- Morgan Winkler
- Ethan Hauger
- Ezekiel Groves
- Gretchen Allen
- Shayne Whitfield
- Emily Ferko
- Jeremiah Anderson
- Eden Hinton
- Arihanna Hellams
- Paige Hartman
- Alina Swinger
- Mackenzie Higgins
- Rebecca Greenawalt
- Samantha Acey
- Layla Lytle

4th annual *Common Threads* to be April 18

Laurel Arts and the Somerset Historical Center will partner for a fourth year to present a wide variety of historical and contemporary fiber arts techniques and information to the public during a one-day event.

Common Threads will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 18 in the unique museum space of the Somerset Historical Center, 10649 Somerset Pike.

Over a dozen regional fiber artists will be demonstrating specific fiber arts techniques such as basketry, rug

weaving, tapestry weaving, tatting, needle felting, embroidery, quilting, knitting, crocheting, spinning, rug hooking, lace-making, printmaking on fabric and much more! Artisans will also be selling their handmade products and providing hands-on activities to participants.

Admission is \$5 at the door. Our event co-sponsor, PAEA, will offer Act 48 credits to teachers who attend the event.

Contact Laurel Arts, 443-2433 for more information on this amazing event.



Pictured from left are your Laurel Arts board members Nina Johnson, Robin Henley, Mark Addleman, Allison Finui, Jeff Johnson, Cindy Breen, Brooke Sheeler, Sharon Clapper, Mike Beech, Mark Spiker, Fred Rosemeyer. Missing from photo are Rebecca Frola Biss, Erin Glessner, William Hoffman, Mike Mitchell

Who's behind the curtain at Laurel Arts?

Laurel Arts has a great team: loyal members and supporters (you), a talented staff at both the Dressler Art Center and the Education & Dance Center, and a dedicated group of volunteer board members.

The National Center for Nonprofit Boards (*yes, there is one*) has issued the "Ten Basic Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards." We are to:

1. Determine the organization's mission and purpose which then becomes a guide for planning (*to enhance the quality of life in our community by offering an array of arts and educational opportunities and making them accessible to all.*)
2. & 3. Select an executive director, and provide her (*Jaci McCusker, in our case*) with the support she needs.
4. Ensure effective organizational planning, including the board's own committee structure (*we're working on it!*)
5. Ensure adequate resources (*a full-board responsibility.*)
6. Manage resources effectively (*board members are entrusted with the care of not only monetary funds, but also our beautiful properties.*)
7. Determine and monitor the organization's programs and services (*we are a working board with hands-on knowledge of many of our programs and services!*)
8. Enhance the organization's public image (*We ♥ Laurel Arts!*)
9. Serve as a court of appeal (*for personnel issues.*)
10. Assess its own performance (*our strategic planning process will keep us on our toes.*)

Now that you can put names to faces, feel free to talk with us about the future of Laurel Arts. We think it will be amazing; we hope you do, too.

Our Dressler staff ...

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Our Affiliates

meetings at the Dressler Center unless otherwise noted

Botanical / Culinary Arts

Somerset Garden Club: Contact Andrea Falchek, 814-442-4359, andreaFalchek@yahoo.com
Meeting 2nd Monday of the month, 11 a.m.

Needle / Fabric Arts

Crochet Guild: Contact Sheena Pile at 444-2419. Meeting 2nd and 3rd Monday of the month, 6 p.m.

Knitting Guild: Contact Susan Barclay, 443-2482. Meeting 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. at Somerset Alliance Church. Weekly group 10:30 a.m. at members' homes.

Performing Arts

Laurel Highlands Chorale: Contact Jan Burkett, 443-3085 for more information.

Mt. Union Sacred Harp Singers: Rehearsal 2nd Thursdays of the month, Kingwood Church of God (Jan-Mar), Mt. Union Church (other months).

Roof Garden Barbershop Chorus: Contact Mike Mitchell, 442-8843, or Larry Shober, 267-4042. Rehearsal 7 p.m. Tuesday evenings, Grace United Methodist Church, Somerset.

Somerset Auxiliary JSO: Contact Sam Hanson, 814-754-5230, or Gay Reed, 814-279-7134. Meeting 1st Thursday of the month, 12:30 p.m. Location TBA.

Somerset County Community Band: Contact Dave Breen, 701-1515 or email photo@davebreen.com; spring rehearsal begin March 19.

Visual Arts

Gem & Mineral Club: Contact Sue Bittner, 445-6085, or Bob Tutko, 814-886-9418.

Somerset County Artists Association: Contact Dave Greene, 814-926-4223. Meetings 6 p.m. fourth Tuesday of the month.

Woodcarvers: Contact Jeff Baltzer, 814-442-6617. Meeting 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

JSO to present *Romanticism Across Cultures*

Johnstown Symphony Orchestra will present *Romanticism Across Cultures* at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 14 at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center, UPJ Campus. For tickets, call 814-269-7200. Italian, Polish, African American and Nordic pieces will be featured. JSO will host its Choral Festival at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4, also at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center, UPJ.

Garden Club makes spring/summer plans

Somerset Garden Club members are excited to have received a Laurel Highlands tourism grant for the club's uptown beautification efforts. Members will do planting in May.

Hannah Gaibor, a member of Diamond Clover 4-H club, received \$150 from the club to support a pollinator garden at Somerset County Library. The club also provided a \$300 donation to Sam Van.

The Spring Flower Sale is scheduled for May 9 at Dressler.

For more information about the Garden Club, contact Andrea Falchek, 814-442-4359.

Community Band to begin rehearsals March 19

Somerset County Community Band is always looking for new members. Dig out your flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, sax, etc. and join the fun. Rehearsals for the summer season will begin Thursday, March 19 and continue on Thursday evenings throughout the spring and summer. The new season will kick off with a pizza party prior to rehearsal at 6 p.m. in the junior high cafeteria. Rehearsal will begin at 7:15 p.m. For more information contact Dave Breen, photo@davebreen.com, or 814-701-1515.

SCAA annual critique March 24

Somerset County Artists Association will host its annual critique at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 24 at the Dressler Center. Dues for 2020 are \$25. Be sure to bring art that you've been working on to the March meeting.

Barbershoppers had exciting '19; making plans for '20

The Roof Garden Barbershop Chorus had an active and successful year in 2019 presenting 20 sing-outs in the Somerset and Johnstown area including singing the Star Spangled Banner at a AAABA baseball game. The annual show, How The West Was Sung, was also very successful. In 2020, the group will host several guest nights and invite area gentlemen to bust a couple chords with the group. The chorus meets at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at Grace United Methodist Church on Felgar Road.

From Stage to Screen to be presented May 3 & 4

Laurel Highlands Chorale will present From Stage to Screen, featuring songs from *Hello Dolly*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Hair*, *The Greatest Showman* and more. Mark your calendars for May 3 and 4, and watch for more information.

Have plans for Easter ... here are some ideas

PREREGISTRATION & PAYMENT IS REQUIRED. Call or text 814-442-6217 or call 814-443-2433 to register.

Stained Glass Workshop

Monday, new session began March 9
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Talented stained glass artist Dottie Borosky returns for another fun and productive workshop. She will walk students through the process to create their own unique stained glass pieces. These are generally 6 week classes, but you may enroll at anytime. Classes will be Mondays, beginning March 9. Classes run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset.

Class fee is \$57.60 for members; \$72 for non-members. There is also a materials fee (cost depends upon the project).

Mosaic Workshop for Beginners

Tuesdays, March 17 through May 5, 6-8 p.m.
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

We are very excited to add Mosaics to our line up of spring classes. Mother/Daughter Mosaics Team Leslie Darke and Patricia Darke, owners of Elemental Mosaics of Ohiopyle, will be teaching this step by step workshop. The class is an eight-week workshop from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays from March 17 to May 5 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset.

Workshop fee is \$96 nonmembers/\$76.80 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$25 materials fee payable to the instructor. All materials will be included in this fee.

For more information about the workshop, visit www.laurelarts.org and be sure to register for the class.

Kid's Pasta Making Class

Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m. to noon
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Join Instructor Marsha Schmuck for a morning of pasta making fun to celebrate Noodle Month in March. Young chefs will learn to make noodles and a delicious marinara sauce, all from scratch! Students will be cooking on their own in no time! This class is appropriate for ages 5-12.

The class takes place from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 21 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The fee is \$18 nonmembers/\$14.40 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$10 materials fee payable to Marsha



Schmuck. Preregistration is required. Call/text 814-442-6217 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433.

Please register as soon as possible. Students are asked to pay in advance. A minimum of 4 students is required for the class to run.

Easter Swag

Sunday, March 22, 2 to 4 p.m.
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Barb Cass of Barb's Country Creations will be teaching students how to create a beautiful sideways swag to decorate just in time for Easter. Barb will walk participants step by step through creating this piece. Barb arranges and sells handcrafted wreaths, swags, and centerpieces. You can visit her Facebook page at Barb's Country Creations to see some of her amazing work.

Class takes place from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 22 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The fee for this workshop is \$24 nonmembers/\$19.20 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$36 materials fee payable to Barb Cass. Preregistration is required by Friday, March 13 in order to get supplies ordered. Call/text 814-442-6217 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 to register.



Pysanky Eggs

Friday, March 27, 5:30-8 p.m.
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center



Pysanky is a traditional craft originally done in the Ukraine and Poland. Join instructor Alicia Shussett as she helps you create one of these beautiful eggs. Students will learn to add patterns to their

eggs using the traditional method involving wax and various colors of dye. This class is just in time for Easter.

The class takes place at from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, March 27 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The fee is \$45 non-members/\$36 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$7 materials fee payable to Alicia Shussett.

No excuses for boredom ... there's so much you can do

Kids' Easter Party

Sunday, April 5, 2 to 4 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Join Instructor Marsha Schmuck for an afternoon of Easter fun! We'll turn a wine glass into a cute Easter bunny, hunt for Easter eggs, learn a few new ways to color eggs, and more! We'll even create a delicious Easter treat.

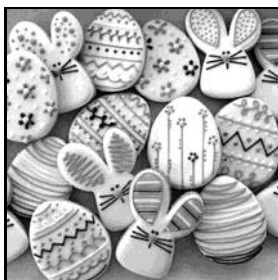
This fun-filled afternoon is appropriate for ages 4-9. The class takes place from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 5 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The cost for the class is \$18 nonmembers/\$14.40 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$10 materials fee payable to Marsha Schmuck. Preregistration is required. Call/text 814-442-6217 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 to register.

Easter Cookies

Wednesday, April 8, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Join Professional Cake Decorator Keri Brown for a special cookie decorating class. Students will be guided step by step in decorating beautiful Easter themed cookies just in time for the holiday. You'll be amazed at what you can create with Keri as your guide!



The fee is \$22 nonmembers/\$17.60 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$15 materials fee payable to Keri Brown. The class takes place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 8 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. Preregistration is required. Call or text 814-442-6217 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 to register. Class is limited to 14.

Bob Ross Painting Class

Monday, April 20, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Certified Bob Ross Instructor Al Just has another beautiful piece picked out for students to paint this month! Al assists students to create beautiful paintings of landscapes, seascapes, wildlife, and florals. He has been teaching for 15 years and currently offers classes at his studio in Johnstown, Cambria County Community Art Center, Johnstown Hobby Lobby, and Altoona Penn Highlands Community College. Al has several

certifications including Bob Ross, Dorothy Dent, Joyce Ortner and has studied with James Sulkowski, Robert Warren, and Valerie Stewart.

This month's workshop takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, April 20 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The fee for the workshop is \$60 nonmembers/\$48 members payable to Laurel Arts. This includes all materials. Students only need to bring paper towels, baby wipes and old rags.

Preregistration is required by Monday, April 13 and students are asked to pay in advance. A minimum of 4 students is required for the class to run.

Call or text 814-442-6217 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 to register.

Needle Felting: Wool Landscape

Saturday, April 25, 1-3 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education and Dance Center

Learn to create a unique and colorful landscape using hand-dyed, locally sourced wool roving. Artist/teacher Erin Glessner will demonstrate the fiber arts technique of needle felting. Participants will learn how to layer and blend colors of wool, how to sculpt and attach small details, and how to embellish their projects with beads or embroidery.



Erin Glessner is a local artist who holds both an Art Education and a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from IUP, where she specialized in fiber arts and jewelry/metalsmithing. In addition to teaching Elementary Art for the Somerset Area School District, Erin also enjoys drawing, painting, embroidery, knitting, making mosaics, jewelry, upcycled art, and creating public murals.

Workshop fee is \$35 nonmembers/\$28 members, made payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$16 materials fee made payable to Erin Glessner. Pre-registration is required.

**Please register & pay for your classes in advance.
Call or text 442-6217. Thank you!**

It's always fun to try something new

Jewelry Making Workshop

Saturday, May 2, 1 to 3 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

We are excited to have instructor Kathie Wolfe join us for her very first class at Laurel Arts! Kathy is the creator and owner of *Bling It On* where she creates beautiful necklaces, bracelets, and earrings. During today's workshop, students will get the chance to design their own one of a kind necklace and matching earrings. Participants will choose their chain and its length and select gems to make their pieces their own. Students will also get to choose between stud and dangle earrings. Bring a friend and enjoy an afternoon of creating a new piece of jewelry for yourself or just in time for a Mother's Day gift.



Kathy will need 3-4 weeks to order all of the supplies so **please register by Saturday, April 4**. Payment will also be required by this date. The class takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 2 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The cost for the workshop is \$20 nonmembers/\$16 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$30-35 materials fee (depending on what you choose) payable to Kathie Wolfe. Call/text 814-442-6217 to register or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433.

Laura Schrock's Card Class

Tuesday, May 5, 5 to 8 p.m.

Dressler Center

We are excited to have Laura Schrock return to share her talents for creating detailed and amazing cards. She will instruct class participants in creating a variety of holiday cards for Spring, Mother's Day and Father's Day. Students will complete several beautiful cards during this workshop. Card making is a fun and very popular workshop offered by Laura just a handful of times each year. Her class always fills up quickly so don't miss out. There is a limit of 12 participants. Preregistration is required.

This class takes place from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 5 at the Dressler Center, 214 Harrison Ave., Somerset.

Class fee is \$14 nonmembers/\$11.20 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$12 materials fee payable to Laura Schrock.

To register, please contact Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 or call/text 814-442-6217.

Drop in anytime ... We'd love to see you!

Yoga

Good health is a well-being of body, mind, and spirit. Yoga can help improve all of these. It helps tone the body and tame the mind. Yoga is offered at the Dressler Center from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, and from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Your instructor will be Hazel Weighley. Classes are drop-in, and are \$6.40 for members, \$8.00 for non-members. Call 814-443-2433, for more information.

Tap FUNDamentals

Adult tap classes are offered at 9 a.m. Saturday mornings at Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center by Cindy Breen. Call / text Cindy at 814-701-1699 or email cindy@atlasprintco.com for more information. Cost is \$6.40 per class for members, \$8 for non-members. This class is for all levels.

Music, music, music

It is never too early or too late to introduce music into your life. We have some amazing guitar, violin and piano instructors who offer classes at our facilities.

Bob Bretz offers **GUITAR** lessons Wednesdays at the Dressler Center. He teaches all styles of guitar including classical, blues, country and jazz.

You can contact the Dressler Center at 814-443-2433 for more information or call Bob directly at 814-421-8134.

VIOLIN lessons are also available. Contact Laurel Arts for more information.

Deese (our violin instructor) and Smitty, with their group High Strung recently released an album entitled **Heirlooms**. Deese said, "We spent the holiday season locked away in our backroom working on a collection of Irish folk songs, and we're delighted to have CDs ready in time for St. Patrick's Day!" CDs are just \$10 including sales tax. Email smittyart@protonmail.com to purchase.

Jade Thomas offers **PIANO** lessons at the Education & Dance Center. For more information about those classes, contact Marsha Schmuck, 814-442-6217.

Coming in April

A Murder Mystery with a Killer Dessert

Somerset Players will present an interactive Murder Mystery with a Killer Dessert at 7 p.m. Friday, April 17 at Somerset Country Club.

The play, entitled *Murder by Magic*, was written by Eileen Moushey. Witty adult humor will keep you laughing 'til you die.

For a little background ... *The Somerset Country Club was built in 1918. But in 1909 the Majestic Theatre stood on this site. The Majestic was a famous vaudeville house which attracted the best entertainers of the era. Among the acts that performed regularly was the magician, Morgo the Magnificent and his wife, Clarisse. But a disastrous event during their act ended their careers. Morgo inadvertently sawed Clarisse in half - REALLY sawed her in half. In grief and remorse he hung himself*

on the Majestic stage and both their ghosts have haunted the theatre and this site ever since. Tonight, Somerset Players will attempt to contact the ghosts of these tragic lovers, with a seance led by Simone the Psychic. Simone is looking for sensitive, psychic members to assist her.



Don't miss this fun date night or evening with friends. The amazing cast will leave you wanting more!

Tickets are \$25 and include the show and a "killer" dessert. They can be purchased at Somerset County Club and the Dressler Center.

Travel through time with papercutting

By Kathy Trexel Reed, Guild of American Papercutters

Time has a way of slipping by. Fortunately, past moments and ideas saved within artistic creations can connect us to people, culture and history of other times and places.

Papercutting's time-travel adventure began in China during the second century when the secretive process of making paper was highly prized. Only wealthy families practiced papercutting (jian zhi), and brides desired it for their dowry.

As it became more affordable, jian zhi grew into a folk art with rich imagery that was typically cut with scissors from red paper. Folding the paper before cutting resulted in symmetrical or geometric designs, which, even today, decorate Chinese front door posts and windows.

The exquisite delicacy of cut-paper made it a useful and aesthetically appealing treasure. For centuries the technique was shared around the world via traveling

merchants, and it became planted in diverse regions where it developed new roots. The once secret art form now defines many multi-cultural folk art traditions. These are often shared by one generation to the next, and also inspire contemporary artists.



Dog Year Papercutting, Fanghong, 2005.

Look for Chinese style papercuttings and other distinctive techniques in the Guild of American Papercutters National Museum located on the second floor of The Philip Dressler Center for the Arts. Watch for (and read) future issues of *ArtLink* for descriptions of Scherenschnitte, Papel Picado, Silhouettes, and Wycinanki.

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6 p.m. Saturday, March 28, Somerset Historical Center
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Mommy & Me dance class

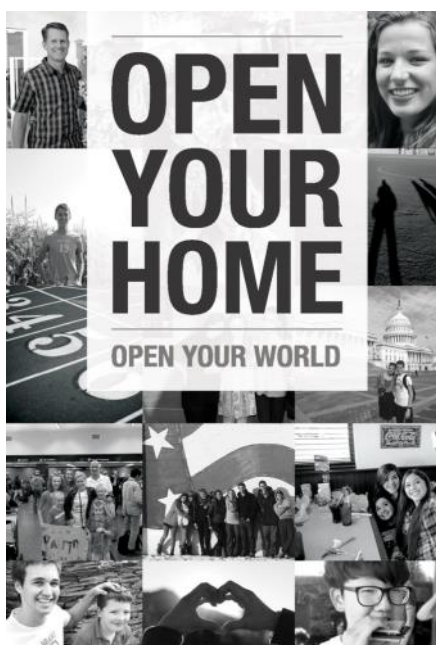
Join us for a 6-week Mommy & Me class that will meet from noon to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays, March 28, April 4, (we will skip Easter weekend April 11), April 18, April 25, May 2, and May 9. There will be a short dress rehearsal on Saturday, May 16, and our recital is Sunday, May 17. For class, wear something comfortable (daughters may wear leotard and tights if they wish, but it's not necessary.) Don't worry about shoes. We'll talk about what to wear for recital a bit later. Tuition for the 6-week class is \$40. Girls and boys, ages 2-3, are welcome. Grandparents, older siblings, cousins, etc. (even dads) can participate if mom isn't available. For more information, email office@laurelarts.org or call 814-443-1835.

Performance company to make chocolate covered pretzels

Laurel Arts Performance Company members will be selling chocolate-covered pretzels just in time for Easter baskets! Pretzels are \$2 each and will be individually wrapped. Varieties include: PB Meltaway, Caramel Delight, Chocolate Toffee, Easter Sprinkles, "The Laurel Arts" (dark chocolate with red chocolate accents), Maple Bacon, Oreo, and S'mores. Orders/money are due by Friday, March 20. The dancers are making and assembling the pretzels April 3. You can order from any of our performance company members or stop by the office at the Education & Dance Center to place your order. Thank you for supporting these young women and our dance program!

Mark your calendars

Our annual dance recital is Sunday, May 17



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- Great support throughout the exchange.
- Students who have been carefully screened for language, attitude and grades.
- Students who bring their own spending money and insurance.

To learn more about hosting, contact:

Albert & Roslyn Pugh • 814-701-1170
rozpugh@moroccowelding.com



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Contact us to learn about becoming a host family!

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