Message From the President

The 39th Annual Clayfolk Show and Sale has once again exceeded expectations! Thanks to all of the participating Clayfolk members who served as Chairs, worked on committees and work shifts, and created the outstanding ceramics which draw thousands of customers to our show and sale. A big thanks also to the members who worked the show even though they were still on the wait list, as well as a special thanks to those members who had to drop the show but continued doing their jobs. We will all miss Jim Keith, our Show Chair, who has provided expertise and encouragement as he guided the show to success for the past three years. Although his shoes will be hard to fill, he has been an excellent teacher….a huge thanks to you, Jim!

The wrap-up meeting for the 2014 Clayfolk Show will be held SUNDAY January 18th at twelve noon at the Medford Library prior to the General Meeting. Please make notes now while your memory is fresh as there are several extremely important issues the Chairs will need to discuss. The General Meeting will begin at 2:30 with a potluck and gift exchange. Please bring food to share and, if you wish to participate in the gift exchange, a wrapped or bagged piece of your pottery. This well attended meeting is a wonderful way in which to start the new Clayfolk year.

The membership form for 2015 is included in this newsletter. You will receive 3 points if your membership form is sent in by January 31st. Most important, however, your membership must be received on or before May 31st to qualify for entry into the 2015 show. A ballot is included at the bottom of the membership form. Carole Hayne, our current Vice President, and Jane Anderson are on the ballot (thank you Carole and Jane for stepping up). They need to be voted in by at least 50% of the Clayfolk membership even though they are the only members running for the positions of President and Vice President. Look for Jane Anderson’s qualification statement in this newsletter.

I have enjoyed being Clayfolk President for the past 3 ½ years and know that Carole Hayne will be an exemplary President. I look forward to working with you in my new position as Show Chair and thank you so much for your support and vote of confidence, both past and future. See you at the January meeting!  

Shirley Huft
Jane Anderson: In 1999, Jane first joined Clayfolk. A couple years later she adopted her daughter Anastasia from the Ukraine and most of Jane’s attention shifted to raising and home-schooling her daughter. Last year when her daughter was 15 and in public high school, she once again returned to pottery and Clayfolk. She first studied pottery at the University of Hawaii in the ‘70s. Since then she has studied and practiced pottery in Tennessee, Ohio, Illinois, and Oregon.

Previous non-profit experiences have prepared Jane for being on the Clayfolk board. Since coming to Oregon 20 years ago, she has served as a board member of the Headwaters Environmental Organization, the Applegate Partnership, the Rogue Yacht Club and has been the Educational Chairperson for Peace House. In addition, she was a member of the Willow Wind Community Learning Center Timber Frame Barn Restoration Committee, where she headed up the fund-raising home-schooler talent show for three years.

Jane has a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership from Ohio State and over the years has taught a wide variety of subjects – including Business Communications, Computers in Education, College Composition, Creative Writing to Children, yoga, sailing, swimming, and dance --- in New York, Hawaii, Italy, Sri Lanka, Ohio, and Oregon.

She believes her non-profit, professional and educational experiences will be an asset to the Clayfolk board.

For the January meeting: the Library is at 205 South Central Avenue (99 south) between E. Main and E 10th Street. There is free parking across the street from the Library.

Looking for a potter: I was at the sale (Clayfolk annual sale) and bought some great pieces! I am wondering who did the pieces that were for jewelry with hooks that I bought. The booth was, I believe, on the far left as you walk in & towards the back corner. This piece had hooks for the necklaces and I came home with one hook missing and would like to get it. Please contact the artist if you can figure this out.

Thanks so much,

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CLAYFOLK MEMBERSHIP

Membership runs from January to December

Clayfolk membership dues are $15 per year and are due by January 31st. Dues are not prorated for members joining mid-year. Applicants who turn in their membership form and dues on or before January 31st will receive 3 points at the end of the membership year. Applicants who do not turn in their membership form and dues on or before May 31st will not be accepted into that year’s annual Show. Membership entitles you to the newsletter, discounted workshop fees and an opportunity to apply to be in the annual Show and Sale.

Clarification on the policy for new member participation in the Clayfolk Show and Sale:
New members who pay their dues by May 31st will be eligible to apply for space in the Group Booth for that year’s Clayfolk Show and Sale. After being a member for one year and paying dues by May 31st, members will be eligible to apply for a half booth or a full booth in the annual Clayfolk Sale.

Questions? Contact Claire Delffs, Membership Chair 541-688-7405 or membership@clayfolk.org

Name ____________________________________________ Pottery Name ____________________________

Mailing Address __________________________________ City __________ State __________ Zip _________

Phone___________________________________________ e-Mail ________________________________________

Main areas of interest in clay: ________________________________________________________________

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How do you want to receive your newsletters, workshop information, and other announcements?

E-mail (we recommend this) ☐ US mail ☐ Both ☐ None ☐ Please check one

Do you want to be included in the membership Gallery on our webpage? Yes ☐ No ☐

You will be contacted by the webmaster regarding your images.

Do you currently offer classes?    Yes ☐ No ☐

Would you be interested in teaching a workshop?    Yes ☐ No ☐

Make your checks payable to Clayfolk

Mail this completed form plus $15 dues to
Clayfolk, PO Box 1334, Jacksonville, OR 97530

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOX

Single ☐ or Shared ☐ Membership - Postmark Date __________ Years Paid for __________

CLAYFOLK BALLOT FOR OFFICERS

Please vote to ratify Carole as President and Jane as Vice President

Carole Hayne (President) ☐

Jane Anderson (Vice President) ☐
2014 Library Book Donations
(available after January 1, 2015)

Jackson County Library, 205 South Central Av, 541-774-8689  http://jcls.org

**DVD'S**

“Design for the Soft Surface, Throwing, Handbuilding & Slip Decoration”  Ben Carter
“Raku Firing, expanding the potential of the raku kiln”  Marcia Selsor
“What If? Explorations with Texture and Soft Slabs with Sandi Pierantozzi”

**BOOKS**

*Ceramic Jewelry*  Joy Bosworth
*GLAZE, the Ultimate Ceramic Artist’s Guide to Glaze and Color*  Brian Taylor & Kate Doody

Josephine Public Library, 200 NW C Street, 541-476-0571  http://www.josephinelibrary.org/

**DVD'S**

“Surface, A Compilation of Techniques”  Ceramic Arts Daily (Linda Arbuckle, Erin Furimsky, Sarah Jaeger, Amy Sanders
“Understanding Glazes, How to Test, Tweak, & Perfect Your Glazes”  John Britt
“Lively Forms & Expressive Surfaces with Mark Peters”  Ceramic Arts Daily

**BOOKS**

*Carolina Clay, the Life and Legend of the Slave Potter*  DAVE  Leonard Todd
*The Complete Guide to Mid-Range Glazes, Glazing & Firing at Cones 4*

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Tips shared at the July meeting:

🌟 When working with thin slabs of porcelain, use a Plaster of Paris slab that has been soaked in water. This dehumidifies the air above the slabs to keep them from drying as quickly and prolongs working time.

🌟 In high humidity make homemade dry boxes, i.e. old frig or other homemade box with a light bulb inside to dry clay.

🌟 When purchasing a pallet of clay at a time in a wet environment, lie a cloth down, stack clay and put garbage cans over top – will stay moist for a year.
Up-Coming Events

Dec. 11th  Board Meeting  6:00 Thursday  The Zajack’s Home, Medford
Set meeting dates for 2015

Dec. 15th  Newsletter mailed  Membership form and Ballot included

Jan. 18th  Chair Meeting  NOON SUNDAY  (Prior to General Meeting)
General Meeting  2:30
Potluck & Gift Exchange

Medford Central Library, 205 South Central Avenue, Medford in the Large Meeting Room.

Jan. 31st  MEMBERSHIP FORM DUE