

# Guild News

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## Note from the President

Hello everyone,

The raku firings at Gary Lee's Rising Sun Pottery were amazing to watch. Just seeing those glowing pots pulled out as the kiln is raised upward is so spectacular. Then to see the ones totally blackened be cleaned up to reveal their true beauty was a sight to behold. It was a beautiful sunny, cool day...just perfect for the firings. Thank you Gary for hosting this event.

We, the Board, are still looking for one member to step up to the plate to be the Vice President (Contact: Mary Miller 704-489-9494). Please do not be shy...we need to perpetuate the Guild and need each of you to do it!

October 21, the third Sunday in the month, we will have our regular meeting with an extraordinary potter, Margaret Robbins of the Catawba Indians. She will do a special two hour demonstration for our Guild. This is definitely a program not to be missed. Her tribe's philosophy and understanding of pottery is centuries old yet carried forward today by Margaret and a few others. The meeting begins at 3PM at Carolina Clay Connection. Potluck follows the demonstration.

October 13 is the Guild's Pottery Sale from 10AM – 4PM. This is a Guild event where we have a great opportunity to follow our mission of educating the public about pottery. We do this through showing 40 to 45 different expressions in clay; through Walter Aberson's demonstration on a treadle wheel, through talking about our pots and sculptures and their processes: clays, glazes, firings and techniques with customers and visitors who come by each of our booths. Brochures for our Guild will be at the registration table where volunteers who are not selling are obtaining addresses and e-mails to expand and update our mailing list. Any questions, contact: Verna Witt 704-843-7344.

Thank you Jinny Hargrave for offering your new home to host the annual Holiday party January 2008. See our website for more detailed information. Directions will be in the January 2008 newsletter.

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The registration forms for the Winter Workshop Feb. 23-24, 2008 featuring Mark Hewitt were distributed at the September meeting and with this newsletter. The announcement for the workshop is supposed to appear in Ceramics Monthly in November 2007. Because Mark does not give many workshops, we are anticipating a good turn out from the national coverage; therefore, we would recommend getting your registration in early. There is a limit of 60 -65 participants. For a two day workshop and lunch each day, it costs \$85 for Guild members; \$115 for non-members. Mark's work can be seen at [www.hewittpottery.com](http://www.hewittpottery.com). Any questions, contact: Greg Goodall at 704-537-9248.

The airport display: Please remember that you cannot have access to your pottery in the airport display until the display is changed out. The current display is now scheduled to change out at the end of January 2008. Please pick up your pots from the August '07 change out at Carolina Clay Connection. Not all pots and sculptures that were submitted for the display were able to be used. Any questions, contact: Michelle Hicks 704-779-5802.

See you at the Fall "Barn" Sale and then the next weekend at the Margaret Robbins' presentation.

Babs Goodall

**Myers Art and Friends Juried Art Fair.** Fri and Sat after Thanksgiving 9am till 4pm. Featuring: pottery, glass, textiles, baskets, metal, paintings, photography and more. Location Mt. Vernon Methodist Church 2160 Smith Ford Road. Hickory Grove, SC 29717 For more info call: Myersart 803 925 2274 or [www.myersart.net](http://www.myersart.net)

**Gas Kiln for Sale.** Olympic Torchbearer 2827G Updraft, Cone 10. Bought Oct. 1999, Excellent condition. \$500.00 firm. Located in Rock Hill SC. Contact Dianna 803 328 2845 or 803 981 2678

### **Raku Workshop -Using Glass & Other Unusual Techniques by Steven Forbes deSoule**

May 16 and 17 , 2008- Fri. & Sat. -(9:00-5:00) at Lambeth Pottery,Weddington , NC (South Charlotte area), rain or shine. Limited to 36 people, price \$100 I have just built a large raku overhang over the garage doors and out so that people can sit inside my studio and see what is going on as Steven is working one or two raku kilns. There is space for 30-36 people to sit comfortably. I have just attended a workshop with Steven. Believe me, **he is the best demonstrator, teacher & entertainer with a lively, fun spirit.** I have never learned so much in a workshop or demo before. He will be demonstrating throwing and a new way of altering pots, give a talk about a very easy and understandable method of making & changing glazes (without having a degree in chemistry) and demonstrate how he adds glass to his final glaze firing, new techniques in decorating, using underglazes, wax & glazes and a different approach in firing raku, altering temperatures to get a halo effect. **Don't miss this one.** I will give further notice in Jan. but this will fill up fast as I already have 12 commitments. Lambeth Marshall - 704-843-5060 or 704-843-5817. Look on Steven's web site to become more familiar with him at [www.stevenforbesdesoule.com](http://www.stevenforbesdesoule.com). You have seen his work here at the ACC Shows.

## Carolina Claymatters Guild Calendar 2007

Meetings are held at Carolina Clay Connection unless otherwise noted.

Potluck dinner follows. Bring a favorite dish

**October 13 Guild Members Pottery Sale** at the historic “Barn” at McAlpine Business Park  
10AM – 4PM 8300 Monroe Rd., Charlotte, NC. All types of pottery and sculpture.

**Directions:** From Charlotte going toward Matthews on Monroe Road. Go approximately 1-2 miles after crossing Sharon Amity Rd., just past Village Lake Drive, turn right into McAlpine Business Park. See balloons and signs. Pottery Sale and parking is straight ahead.

From Matthews going toward Charlotte on Monroe Road: Go approximately 1-2 miles after crossing Sardis Road North, turn left into McAlpine Business Park. See balloons and signs. Pottery Sale and parking is straight ahead.

**October 21 3pm—5pm Special Presentation: Margaret Robbins, renowned Catawba Indian potter** will provide the Guild with a special two hour demonstration and discussion of her rich heritage and her current work. She is the daughter of Master Potter Earl Robbins and Viola Robbins also a traditional Catawba potter. [www.catawbaindianpottery.com](http://www.catawbaindianpottery.com)

**November 18 3pm Open Forum for Guild members.** Topics will include: new directions of members (clay bodies, glazes, forms, processes, etc.); new directions in marketing your pottery and sculpture (sales, galleries, other); suggestions for how we should move forward as a Guild (programs, events, workshops, sales, other); any other topics or questions you want to bring before the Guild. Meeting at 3PM at Carolina Clay Connection followed by potluck.

**December 2007 No meeting or newsletter.**

**January 19, 2008 Holiday Party** at Jinny Hargrave’s new home: 10012 Brass Eagle Lane in Charlotte, near South Meck High School on Saturday night at 6 PM. Call to let Jinny know you are coming TEL: 704- 752-7122. Bring a covered dish and a \$25 gift for the gift exchange. Spouses and significant others are invited. Door prizes for all in attendance. See Directions in January 2008 newsletter.

**February 23-24, 2008 Annual Guild Winter Workshop featuring Mark Hewitt**  
Held at Days Inn in Cornelius, NC  
Exit 28 off of I-77. To attend, complete and mail Registration Form at [www.carolinaclaymatters.org](http://www.carolinaclaymatters.org) or with newsletter. Limit: 60-65 attendees.  
Guild Members: \$85.00 Non-Guild Members: \$115.00. See pottery at [www.hewittpottery.com](http://www.hewittpottery.com) Questions: Greg Goodall 704-537-9248.



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## Of Interest

**Corine Guseman and Hal Dedmond Fall Pottery Sale.** Catawba Valley and Contemporary style pottery. Saturday, October 27, 10 - 5 pm with guest musicians "Mama Said" 2 - 4pm. Sale continues Sunday 12 - 3 pm. 537-1 Belwood Lawndale Rd, Lawndale, NC 28090. For more information, call Corine at 704-538-1057 or [peacepots@mindspring.com](mailto:peacepots@mindspring.com)

**Jennifer Mecca** has a solo show at Beam Gallery at Gaston College in Dallas, NC. The exhibit will run from Oct 1 until Nov. 1. Jennifer will be demonstrating there on Oct. 17 from 9 am until 11 am with a reception to follow.

**Kilns for sale:** 1) raku kiln- larger size. Gas bottle and line; mounted on A frame; pyrometer, metal can, 3-4 glazes \$475.

2) Paragon electric kiln- model A88B; 240 volts; 25.9 amps; max temp 2300; 24 height, 22 1/2 width; with sitter . good condition \$250.

3) Paragon electric kiln- model A99C; 44.2 amp; max temp 2300; 28 1/2 height, 29 width with sitter.good condition \$250.

Call Pat or Paul Melton- 336 973 2715

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