

# Laurel Arts

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**ArtLink** • A Newsletter for the Members of Laurel Arts • January 2020

## Nothing tame about our elementary art show!

It's that time of the year when we showcase the exceptionally talented artists in our school districts. The Countywide Elementary School Art Exhibit will be on display from January 14 through January 30 with an open house and reception from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, January 19.

Be sure to attend the 25th Anniversary Fire & Ice Festival uptown, then come to the Dressler Center to warm up (your body and soul) while you marvel at the work created by the county's youngest artists.

Beginning February 4 and running through February 20, Laurel Arts will host the Countywide Junior–Senior High Art Exhibit. You will be impressed by the progress made by these students as they continue to explore various mediums and improve their technique. An open house and reception is planned from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, February 9.

Somerset Area School District sends its best work from students in K through 12 to the SASD Art Exhibit which will run from February 25 through March 19. An open house and reception is planned for 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 1.



**Tiger**, above, was created by Walter Reggeta, grade 2, North Star Central, and was exhibited in last year's Countywide Elementary School Show. Plan to stop by this year and be inspired by the fine art created by children in K through 6.

The receptions are free, and the galleries are also open to the public during regular office/gallery hours.

**Congratulations**

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**January 17-19**

**Entertainment**

**5-K Race**

**Winter Wares Marketplace**

**Chili Cook-off**

**Children's Center & more**

*Upcoming exhibits ...*

January 14-30

**Somerset County  
Elementary School Exhibit**

Visit the galleries to see art through the eyes of children in grades K through 6. Art will hang from floor to ceiling, and color will be everywhere!

**Reception & Open House**

1 to 3 p.m.

Sunday, January 19

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February 4-20

**Somerset County  
Jr.-Sr. High School Exhibit**

Junior & senior high school students will exhibit more sophisticated works as they explore new concepts, technics and mediums.

**Reception & Open House**

1 to 3 p.m.

Sunday, February 9



Located upstairs at  
The Philip Dressler Center  
for the Arts

**MUSEUM & GALLERY HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday

11 am to 6 pm

Saturday

noon to 4 pm

closed Friday &amp; Sunday

(except for exhibit openings)

## Resources available to public in art library

*By Kathy T. Reed*

Books and art are great medicine for curiosity, boredom, wanderlust, and even melancholy. You are in charge of digesting and translating books and art into visions, ideas, and for deciding to follow a trail of information. Books and art will take you somewhere, and will sometimes startle your expectations of the journey.

Staff and volunteers have spent a lot of time reorganizing the library on the second floor at the Dressler Center and the Guild of American Papercutters bookshelf next to the watercooler in the main office. These are not just collections of art books. These libraries are stocked with “toolkits” and “maps” for how to sample an art medium and learn about its history. Two easy chairs and a lamp make the upstairs library a comfortable and inviting place to explore the arts. The library is also used as a room for violin and guitar lessons.

Currently all books are to remain on Laurel Arts premises, but binders are available at each location to write your name and the book title you’ve enjoyed examining. Eventually a book plate design project will be announced to invite artists to create artwork, “Ex Libris”, which will identify the book owner as either Laurel Arts or Guild of American Papercutters.

You are welcome to explore these resources, and to make it a habit to check the book resources while also visiting the art galleries downstairs. And, if your imagination is stirred by what you see, feed your inspiration by signing up in the office for a class or workshop.

**FOOTNOTE:** We have had several donations of art books and art supplies recently. Some are being utilized in the library and in classes / workshops. Some were available for sale over the holidays. The book sale during First Night netted Laurel Arts \$142. The basket raffle, which included art supplies, netted \$1011. Thank you to both our donors and those who purchased books and raffle tickets.



### Coming soon ...

## Two of our favorite events

### Soup’er Bowl

Join us for hot soup and cool bowls handmade by local artists. This will be the third Soup’er Bowl event, and it’s become extremely popular. Mark your calendars now for

**Saturday, March 14, noon to 2:30 p.m.**

### Common Threads

Common Threads brings together fiber artists and fiber enthusiasts for a day of education, demonstrations and sales. You don’t want to miss the fourth annual Common Threads scheduled for

**Saturday, April 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

*From the director's desk*

## ***Building upon success***

Sitting at my desk, I open my laptop to begin typing this letter to you, our member. I pause for a moment and think, "Where shall I begin?" As my eyes scan across the cream-colored walls, my attention is quickly subverted to thinking, "Wow, I REALLY need to clean this office!" To this I will admit, my office has become a bit of a catch-all, but looking at the items precariously placed throughout, I remember the reason why each item has been set in a particular place. Some items remain for safe-keeping to be used in an upcoming project, some were placed amidst the hurriedness of an event, and some even found their temporary home by way of the hands of my two little boys.

Yes, I really should come in some weekend and clean things up a bit, but in the meantime, I am reminded of all of the experiences that have occurred to create this beautiful mess. Two years ago, I was a complete greenhorn in this position. My goal was simple – direct the development of Laurel Arts. That last sentence was meant to be a punchline by the way (roll on snare). During these two years, my goal has remained the same, but I look at it more as the title of a novel with the chapters, subject matter, and characters really telling a story that has yet to be fully written.

To understand where we needed to go, I needed to learn where we have been and where we are. I have met with countless individuals from our community; people who took the time to talk about their involvement with Laurel Arts, with the community in general, and about their ideas and hopes for the future of this organization and Somerset. To that I add, that many of these individuals are currently reading this article. During this process, I came to realize how truly engrained Laurel Arts has been in the community. I heard numerous stories from those who had attended classes and/or events, helped with projects, and one who even spent the night at the Dressler Center during a long weekend of Somerfest – they were volunteering of course. Whatever the recollection, I noticed one common trait during their storytelling, the individuals always spoke with a smile or laughed while recalling these moments. To that I say that I think it is pretty special that Laurel Arts has had such a positive impact on so many lives.

In these conversations and in working with our staff, artists, volunteers and the greater community, I have realized how truly grateful I am to reside in a community which has so many willing to share a story, advice, support and even something as simple as a listening ear. This organization is what it is because of the numerous individuals who have helped along the way. So, maybe my goal is not to *develop*, but *build upon* what the staff and board members have created, what our local artists have created, what our members and great community have created.

There are a lot of new projects, ideas, and possibilities in the works for Laurel Arts, but as exciting as that may sound, I wanted to first take a moment to thank you – our supporters, our members, our advocates.

I will always look back at the early days at Laurel Arts with such fondness, as it will always remind me of the enormous amount of hope and support one community has given to me and to this organization. So, in short, thank you.

P.S. If, in the meantime, you visit my office, please excuse the mess.

Jaclyn A. McCusker, Executive Director

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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 444-2519. 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 Shoher, 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

### **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 *Movies from Johnstown*

Johnstown Symphony Orchestra will present JSO POPS: Movies from Johnstown and Open Mic Night at the Symphony at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, February 8 at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center, UPJ Campus. For tickets, call 814-269-7200.

An after-party will follow the concert at the Pasquerilla Conference Center downtown. Because we will be performing music from the movie "Slap Shot," we have chosen a hockey theme. The event is titled "JSO scores! A Back Eye Affair." Tickets may be purchased on line at [www.jsoscores.com](http://www.jsoscores.com).

More information for both events is available on the JSO website: [www.johnstownsymphony.org](http://www.johnstownsymphony.org).

## Garden Club had busy holiday season

Somerset Garden Club kicked off the holiday season by assisting in "greening" uptown Somerset to prepare for Santa's visit. The club also had its annual wreath sale. Members appreciate the community's support of the wreath project. At the club's Christmas party, members collected donations for SAM van.

## Save the date ...

### Chorale plans spring concert

Laurel Highlands Chorale will present its spring concert, From Stage to Screen, at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, May 3 and again at 7 p.m. Monday, May 4 at Somerset Church of the Brethren. For more information about the Chorale, contact Dorene Friedline, 444-3446 or 926-3610.

### 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. For more information contact Dave Breen, photo@davebreen.com, or 814-701-1515.

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## It's a new year ... resolve to learn something new

**PLEASE NOTE:** Preregistration is required. Call or text 814-442-6217 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 to register.

### **Winter Tea Party (for kids)**

Saturday, January 18, 10 a.m. to Noon  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Did you know that January is hot tea month? Let's celebrate with a tea party of our own. Students will take part in creating the goodies before we sit down for tea. Bake up some delicious chocolate chip snowball cookies and make a cute snowman to decorate. Choose between hot tea or create a delicious hot chocolate treat with a special toppings bar.

The winter tea party takes place from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, January 18 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The cost is \$20 nonmembers/\$16 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$10 materials fee payable to Marsha Schmuck.

### **Winter Cake Decorating Workshop**

Sunday, January 19, 2 to 4 p.m.  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Professional Cake Decorator Keri Brown has yet another amazing cake creation to share with students at Laurel Arts. Keri will walk you step by step through creating a beautiful Winter Snowman themed cake. Students will have their own cakes to work on and take home. Visit Keri's



Facebook page at [facebook.com/cakesbykeri6684/](https://facebook.com/cakesbykeri6684/) to see some of the wonderful cakes she has created. Class fee is \$22 nonmembers/\$17.60 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$15 materials fee payable to Keri Brown. Class is from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, January 19 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. This class fills up quickly and is limited to 14 students, so make sure to register.

### **Bob Ross Painting Workshop with Al Just**

Monday, January 20, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

We are so excited to have Certified Bob Ross Instructor Al Just teaching again at Laurel Arts! 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 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.

The workshop he is offering will be a step by step class in creating an oil painting of the beautiful scene pictured (in color). The workshop takes place from 10 a.m.



to 3 p.m. Monday,

January 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. A minimum of 4 students is required for the class to run.

### **Learn to Cross Stitch with Kerri Burtner**

Tuesdays, January 21 through February 11, 6 to 7:30 p.m.  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

We are very excited to have instructor Kerri Burtner join us to teach Cross Stitch at Laurel Arts. Kerri is very experienced and would love to show students how to do this fun type of sewing. Cross Stitch is a popular form of embroidery in which X-shaped stitches are used to form beautiful patterns and pictures. Students will create a "Bee Mine" project.



Participants will learn full stitch, half stitch, and back stitch to help them produce more pieces on their own.

This workshop is a 4-week session and takes place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 21, 28, February 4, and 11 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The cost for this class series is \$25 nonmembers/\$20 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$15 materials fee payable to Kerri Burtner. Students will also receive a free copy of "Just Stitching" magazine that includes several other patterns to use at home.

## Don't sit at home ... take a class or two

Don't forget to register for classes. Call or text 442-6217!

### Family Game Night at Laurel Arts

Friday, January 24, 6 to 8 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Laurel Arts will host our first Family Board Game Night from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, January 24!

Bring your favorite board game. We'll also have several available for you to use. Enjoy a night out with the family and make some new friends. We'll have hot dogs, snacks, and drinks available for a small fee. To RSVP mark "Going" on Laurel Arts Facebook Event tab. You do not need to call or pre-register to attend. We hope to see you there!

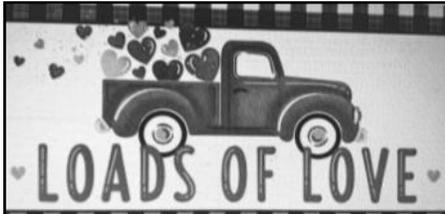


### Mesh Valentine Wreath Making Workshop

Sunday, January 26, 2 to 4 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Barb Cass of Barb's Country Creations will teach students how to create a beautiful wreath to decorate just in time for Valentine's



Day. The wreath will be made of mesh and have the attached sign (pictured above). It will be a pancake wreath that will fit between your doors. Barb will walk participants through the creation of 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, January 26 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The fee for this workshop is \$24 nonmembers/\$19.20 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$38 materials fee payable to Barb Cass.

### Stained Glass Workshop

Every Monday, January 27-March 2

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,

January 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24, and March 2. 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).

### Cross Stitch Workshop

Sunday, February 2, 2 to 4 p.m.

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Join Instructor Kerri Burtner for an afternoon of Cross Stitch. Cross Stitch is a popular form of embroidery in which X-shaped stitches are used to form beautiful patterns and pictures. Students will be taken step by step to create the piece pictured.



This class takes place from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, February 2 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset.

The cost for this class is \$20 nonmembers/\$16 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$15 materials fee payable to Kerri Burtner. Students will also receive a free copy of "Just Stitching" magazine that includes several other patterns to use at home. **ALSO:** If you sign up for the 4 week workshop and this class, you will get \$10 off of this materials fee.

### Pie Making Fun (for kids)

Saturday, February 8, 10 a.m. to noon

Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Did you know that February is Great American Pie Month? Join us in the Laurel Arts Kitchen for some pie baking fun! Students will learn to make an apple pie, a key lime pie, and a s'mores pie, all from scratch! Each participant will get to take home a mini pie of each kind. This class is designed for ages 4-6th grade.

The pie baking workshop takes place from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, February 8 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. The cost is \$20 nonmembers/\$16 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$10 materials fee payable to Marsha Schmuck.

## Register now and join the fun

**Don't to forget to register for classes. Call or text 442-6217!**

### **Valentine's Day Cupcake Bouquet Workshop**

Wednesday, February 12, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Professional Cake Decorator Keri Brown has yet another amazing cake creation to share with students at Laurel Arts. This time Keri will walk you step by step through the creation of this beautiful bouquet of Valentine cupcakes perfect for that special someone in your life. Students will each have their own set of cupcakes to work on and take home. The finished product will be similar to the picture above. Class fee is \$22 nonmembers/\$17.60 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$15 materials fee payable to Keri Brown. Class takes place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 12 at 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. This class fills up quickly and is limited to 14 students so register soon.



### **Bob Ross Painting Workshop with Al Just**

Monday, February 17, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Certified Bob Ross Instructor Al Just will be back February 17 to assist students in creating a beautiful painting of a winter scene. He has been teaching for 15 years and currently offers classes at his studio in Johnstown, Cambria County Community Art Center, 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.



The workshop takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, February 17 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, February 10 and students are asked to pay in advance. A minimum of 4 students is required for the class to run.

### **All About Birds (for kids)**

Saturday, February 22, 10 a.m. to noon  
Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center

Did you know that February is National Bird Feeding Month? Fly on over to Laurel Arts from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, February 22 as we wing it and have fun learning all about birds. We'll make a few special treats you can hang outside for them to eat and a yummy nest for you to eat. The workshop would not be complete without some beautiful and creative bird crafts. This class will be a real tweet!

The cost is \$20 nonmembers/\$16 members payable to Laurel Arts plus a \$10 materials fee payable to Marsha Schmuck. This class is designed for ages 4th-6th grade.

### **Music, music, music**

It is never too early or too late to start jamming out! We have some pretty amazing guitar and violin instructors who offer classes regularly at the Dressler Center. Call 443-2433 for more information.



### **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 at 12:30 p.m. Mondays, from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and at 11:30 a.m. Thursdays. 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.



# Planning for summer ... here's a preview of our camps

All camps will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and are appropriate for children K-6th grade. Extended hours before and after camps will be provided as needed for an additional charge. Camps are located at Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center, 601 Georgian Place, Somerset.

Tuition for each camp is \$125 and includes all materials (be prepared ... there will be lots of stuff coming home!) Registration is due no later than two weeks before the start of each camp. If you have pre-registered, tuition is due one week before each camp. To register call Marsha at (814) 442-6217 or register in person at Laurel Arts, 214 S. Harrison Ave., Somerset, (814) 443-2433.

## **Time Traveler's Camp • June 15-19**

During this weeklong camp, we will travel through many different time periods. We'll start out in the age of dinosaurs with some prehistoric fun. We'll become cowboys in the Wild West and pirates of the open sea. We'll learn about famous artists and musicians of the Renaissance period and create some tie dye from the 60s.

## **Road Trip Around the U.S. • June 22-26**

Learn more about the states that make up the USA. Pan for gold as we learn about the historic gold rush of California, use watercolors and black glue to create a cactus from Arizona, and bake some whoopie pies that are Maine's state dessert. As part of our road trip fun, we are asking anyone and everyone to send us a postcard while you and your family are traveling this summer. We'll hang up our postcards for everyone to see. Help us fill our wall with all of your travels. Send postcards to Laurel Arts, 601 Georgian Place, Somerset, PA 15501.

## **Secret Life of Pets Camp • June 29-July 3**

During this week's camp, we will learn about all types of perfect pets: Dogs, cats, turtles, mice and more. We'll bake some special treats and take up a collection for our local animal shelter. We may even get a special visit from a furry friend or two.

## **Local Artist's Week • July 6-10**

You will be amazed to discover all of the talented artists who live in our area. This week, we will invite them to Laurel Arts to share their talents with our campers.

Papercutting, drawing and pottery are just a few of the types of art we will learn about and try this week.

## **Getting to Know Our Community • July 13-17**

This week we will learn about some of the history of Somerset and its surrounding areas. We'll learn about famous architect Frank Lloyd Wright, make some delicious treats using maple syrup, and learn about famous people from our area such as Mr. Rogers. For more learning fun, we will spend one day of camp touring local businesses!

## **Survivor Week • July 20-24**

Brush up on your camping skills this week! Become part of a team as we will create our own team flags and buffs and work together to complete challenges. Take part in a scavenger hunt and learn to live outdoors. Don't worry, we won't vote anyone off the island but we will vote each day for the most valuable survivor from each team!

## **Gold, Silver and Bronze Week • July 27-31**

Did you know July 24, 2020 is the starting date of the Summer Olympics in Tokyo, Japan? This week at camp, we will learn about countries where the Olympic Games have been held. We will create our own Olympic torches and medals and take part in Olympic games. There is no training required to take part in the 2020 Laurel Arts Olympic Games.

## **Museum Week • Aug. 3-7**

We will be creating with a large variety of art mediums this week: clay sculptures, watercolor paintings, woodwork, metal, printmaking, and more. We will end the week with our very own museum art show for friends and family to come and see!

## **Favorite Recipes Cooking Camp • Aug. 10-14**

Cooking Camp is a favorite at Laurel Arts and this camp fills up quickly. This year we will talk about appetizers, main dishes, desserts, snacks and more. If you love to cook, you will love this camp. If you have a favorite recipe, send it to us at [msmarsha@laurelarts.org](mailto:msmarsha@laurelarts.org) by August 1. We can't take any recipes after that date. Throughout the week, we will also be organizing all of the weeks recipes into our very own cookbook.



**Laurel Arts**  
**FATHER DAUGHTER**  
**DANCE**  
 presents  
**BOOTS & BOWS**

**Sunday, March 29**  
**4:00pm to 7:00pm**  
**at Somerset Church of the Brethren**  
 606 Berlin Blank Rd, Somerset  
 \$45 per couple  
 \$15 each additional adult or child  
 Includes free 5x7 photo provided by Dave Breen,  
 entertainment by DJ Dan Breckenridge, dinner  
 prepared by Listie Catering, and themed crafts.  
 For more information call/text 814-442-6217  
 or call Laurel Arts at 814-443-1835.

Tickets are available now through March 13. Tickets can be purchased at Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center, 601 Georgian Place, Somerset. Office hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday. We can only accept cash or check for this event. Grandfathers, uncles, and family friends are also welcome to attend.

## Dance class openings ...

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Our child/tween/teen special needs dance class will be performing a tap dance to **Superhero** by Go Fish at our May dance recital. If you know a young superhero with special gifts who would like to learn to tap dance, please share this information. Classes are from 11 to 11:45 a.m. Saturdays at Laurel Arts Education & Dance Center, 601 Georgian Place. Send a message for more information or call the dance center at 443-1835.

Adults with special needs will be dancing to **Yellow Submarine** ... any Beatles fans out there? We'd love to have you join us from 5 to 5:45 p.m. Mondays.

**4 & 5 YEAR OLDS:** We also have a few spots open in our Friday Combo 1 class (children who are 4 or 5). Class if from 4 to 5 p.m. Fridays. This class will do a ballet dance to **Day-O** in our May recital. We have one spot open on Wednesdays (hip hop from 4 to 4:30 and combo 1 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.)

For more information email [office@laurelarts.org](mailto:office@laurelarts.org).

### Education & Dance Center staff ...

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Education & Dance Center  
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**Bethany Thomas**

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Preschool Aid

**Marsha Schmuck**  
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