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KEAG Gallery Exhibits Contemporary Western Landscapes

KEAG Gallery is excited to exhibit the works of painter Mack Brislawn, whose contemporary western landscapes capture the beauty and energy of the commonplace. Opening reception is Friday, Feb. 3rd from 6-8pm. The exhibit will show through Feb. 28th. All are welcome!
 ALSO, KEAG is carrying special Valentine gifts by fiber artist Dona Fleming.

Dear Jane

Happy Winter Laramie! The snow is here, but soon enough it will be Spring. There's a lot going on downtown this month -- please read on and mark your calendars. Also be sure to check out our website at www.laramiemainstreet.org.

Thank you for subscribing to the monthly Laramie Main Street Program e-newsletter -- as always, please call (742-2212) or email (mainstreet@laramiewy.org) if you have news for the March newsletter.

Laramie Main Street Needs Your Help!

2009 is off and running, and Laramie Main Street needs your help! We have a number of noble goals for the new year, including: building the 1st Street Community Plaza, tearing down and restructuring the Fox Theatre zone, running another Upstairs-Downtown Tour, lighting the historic Garfield Street Footbridge, as well as many other endeavors. Our program is strong and continues to advocate on the behalf of downtown Laramie, but our mission cannot be completed without your help! We are currently looking to raise \$70,000 to cover the expenses of the many projects we are involved in, and currently we have raised \$60,000 of our goal. We need your help, citizens and lovers of Laramie, to raise the needed \$10,000.

Please visit our website at www.laramiemainstreet.org for more information on how you can help us make downtown Laramie a more vital community and a beacon of progress for the entire state of Wyoming! We are always looking for volunteers as well, please check out our website for more information on the various ways you can support the Laramie Main Street Program.

Search for Executive Director Almost Complete

Gallery Hours
Thursday-Saturday
noon-5:30pm and by
appointment



307-745-3308
414 Grand Ave.
Laramie, WY 82070

Byrd's Paradise Special Offer

Spring fashions arriving during February! Now offering alterations and tailoring services for both men and women. Fittings are by appointment only with Eileen.

Byrd's Paradise Women's Apparel & Adornments

219 Garfield Street
Laramie, WY 82070
Store: 307.742.730
Cell: 307.399.7138

M. Eileen M. Byrd, Proprietor

Grand Avenue Pizza

- Grand Ave Pizza and Bistro is delivering from 11:30am-1:30pm and 5-9pm.
- We also offer a lunch buffet from 11:30am-1:30pm featuring pizza, pasta, salad, garlic bread and soup for \$6.99.
- Beginning Feb. 10th, we will be offering a Tuesday night all you can eat buffet from

The Laramie Main Street Program will have a new face by sometime next week! Currently, the Main Street Board is in the process of searching for a qualified candidate to fill the vacant Executive Director position. Two experienced candidates remain, and currently both are being greeted and welcomed by the selection committee, who should make their final decision by early next week.

Laramie Main Street thanks all the many candidates who applied for the position. With such a well-rounded and qualified pool to choose from we have no doubts that whomever earns the position will do a wonderful job and continue upon the success of our previous directors. Laramie Main Street would also like to thank Jo Korpitz for all her hard work acting as interim director for LMSP. Her effort and spirit have truly helped keep our program running strong during this period of transition, and will surely go along way towards easing the transition to a new Executive Director.

Meet us Downtown to Shop and Dine!

"The Downtown Laramie Business Association (DLBA) would like your participation in showcasing your business. On Friday, February 27th and Saturday, February 28th the DLBA is sponsoring "Meet us Downtown to Shop and Dine" event. The DLBA is providing all the advertisement for this event, every business is asked to provide the excitement. We are asking you to showcase your business. This can be done by having "how to..." tutorials or focus on a product or service. These tutorials can be about whatever aspect of your business you want to focus on. You can have as many tutorials as you can physically handle or just one a day. A few ideas: The Music Box- "How to connect your DVD player," The Copper Kettle- "How to use a French Press," or Antique Fever "How to care for your antiques." Think of things the public needs to know about your business and focus on them. The idea is for the public to sit up and take notice of your business and our downtown in a fresh light. Needed Steps: We need a general listing of time and date of what your business is doing. This list will be used for advertising and we will use it in flyers that will be placed in businesses to direct the public to all the wonderful things happening downtown. On the day of the event customers will collect signatures of businesses that they participated in an event, or purchased something. Once the customer has the required signatures, their card will be entered into a drawing for a \$100.00 Downtown Gift Certificate. Each participating business will have unfilled cards to hand out. Customers are to turn in their completed card to The Copper Kettle, 209 S. 2nd Street . Please provide your listing to Denise Deem at The Music Box or e-mail deniserdeem@yahoo.com by Friday, February 13th."

5:30-8pm.

Please visit our website at
www.grandavenuepizza.com
 for a complete menu.
 Phone 721-2909

The Bead Shop Partners Up For Good Cause

The Bead Shop is now partnering with **Partners of the Americas**. If you would like to volunteer your time and make a necklace, bracelet, keychain, etc. with materials we provide to you, the items will be sold around town and all money raised goes to help purchase a mobile mammogram unit for impoverished women in Goias, Brazil. This is a great project for Girl Scouts, Campfire Kids, etc. who would like to help out while at the same time learning a new hobby!

Give us a call for more
 information
The Bead Shop
 742-0004

Denise Deem

The Copper Kettle Offers February Cooking Classes

"Valentine's Dinner Class- Get ready to seduce your special valentine! This class focuses on recipes that are intoxicating with flavor. Bring a date and a bottle of wine, or take the class in preparation of a romantic dinner for Valentine's Day! Class is on Wednesday, Feb. 11th 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Instructor Melissa Gray. \$38.00 per person.

Thursday, February 19th. **Theme Day! Bundt Cakes!** - From noon to class time come on in and sample a couple types of cakes. Oh and ah over the pretty cakes. The mini class at 5:30pm will focus on recipes, tricks to making the cakes, de-panning it and finishing touches. Class is \$10 per person and runs from 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm.

Kids in the Kitchen -Snacks! We will continue to teach kitchen safety while whipping up some after school snacks. Friday, Feb. 20th from 3:30 to 5:00pm. \$15.00 per child.

Mediterranean Get-a-Way! - Put some sunshine in your winter with these wonderful dishes from the Mediterranean. Flavorful and colorful recipes that are sure warm up your creative side and get you cooking. Instructor Melissa Gray takes us on a get-a-way that will have you itching to fire up your stove! Friday, Feb. 27th. \$38.00 per person.

Winter Citrus Class; the sweet and savory of citrus- Citrus are in season across the U.S.A.! Cathy Harokopis will use a variety of citrus such as grapefruit, lemons, and limes to demonstrate how versatile this fruit can be. She will also teach us how to intensify citrus flavors and make a delicious lemon curd. Saturday, February 28th at 10:00 am to noon. \$35.00 per person."

Cyndi Martin

Gallery Walk Laramie Downtown

- Friday February 6th, 5:30to9:00PM: **Keag Gallery:** 414 Grand Avenue, Laramie , WY 82070, (307) 745-3308. An eclectic space next to All Terrain Sports. Featuring Wyoming Landscape painter, Mack Brislawn, through Feb 2009. <http://keaggallery.com>
- **Big Hollow Food Co-op,** will have fine art prints by local artists Ginnie Madsen and Jim Jereb, and paintings by Ronnie Roo, Dennis Fonfara, Casper artist, Jim Kopp, affordable prints by Terry R. Reid and Ray Jordan. Other fine art and quality crafts for all seasons. Co-sponsored by NorthernFront, 119 S. 1st

St. Laramie, WY-- (307) 745-3586

- **Natural Balance**, brings back artwork by Jeff Hubbell, 220 Ivinson Ave , Laramie , WY-- (307) 745-8636
- **Studio 207** will present works by Justin Attebery & Garth Cossairt, 207 E. Grand Ave , Laramie , WY-- (307) 742-6344

Not participating in February Gallery Walk Laramie , but showing original art and photography nonetheless, check out these art spaces:

- **The Copper Kettle Coffee Loft**, 209 S 2nd St. Laramie , WY 82070 , (307) 742-1800 [co-sponsored by NorthernFront]: Digital photography by Nicole Lucas & Lindsay Olson.
- **Laramie Art Guild** will be displaying members' work Jan & Feb 2009 at Grand Avenue Restaurant.
- **The Jeweler**, 213 S. 3rd, Laramie, WY 82070, (307) 721-3854 features sculptor John Baker, artists Raymond L. Jordan, Ginnie Madsen, Jon Madsen, & Terry R. Reid.
- Art in the lobby of the **The Laramie Reproductive Health Center**: Melanie Hoyt, Bruce Allemani, Bianca Allemani, Ronnie Roo and Terry R. Reid.

Sincerely,
The Laramie Main Street Program Team

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