

# Calligrapher's Guild

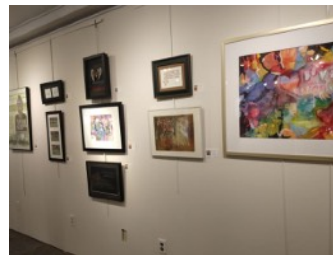
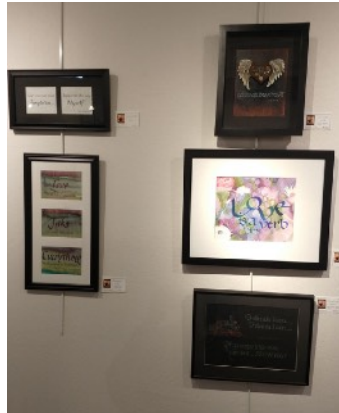
Each month we will offer news, upcoming events, artists' work, and other information for you.

Welcome to March and the beginning of a new Guild year. If you haven't done so, send your dues to JoAnne soon so the new membership guide will be complete.

We will see some new faces among the leaders: Lynda Stevenson will lead us as President, with Michelle Clary as Secretary and JoAnn Evans returning as treasurer. Anna Hinkle will take over for the membership committee role. Thank you Anna for handling membership as we continue to grow.

Their names and emails are all listed on the last page as well as other significant guild roles. We all look forward to the coming year and thank Lynda and Michelle and JoAnn for leading the group.

## WIT AND WISDOM



The Wit and Wisdom show was a great success and the display was beautiful. It was exciting to see the work of so many of our artists and scribes. One quote that Cynthia received in a letter was *"I just wanted you to know how much I enjoyed looking at the artist's work from the Calligraphy Guild at the Art Presence Gallery in Jacksonville. The work is so beautiful & mindful. Thank you for your continued support of the arts in Southern Oregon - Ann Ebert, Central Art Supply"*. Throughout this edition you will see pictures showing how truly talented our members are. Apologies if your piece is not here. Please let me know and I will add it in the next edition. Thank you to Cynthia, JoAnne, Steve and Lynda for sending me your pictures. There were many wonderful ones and thanks to you, I think we got everyone's!!



Anne Brooks



Michelle Clary



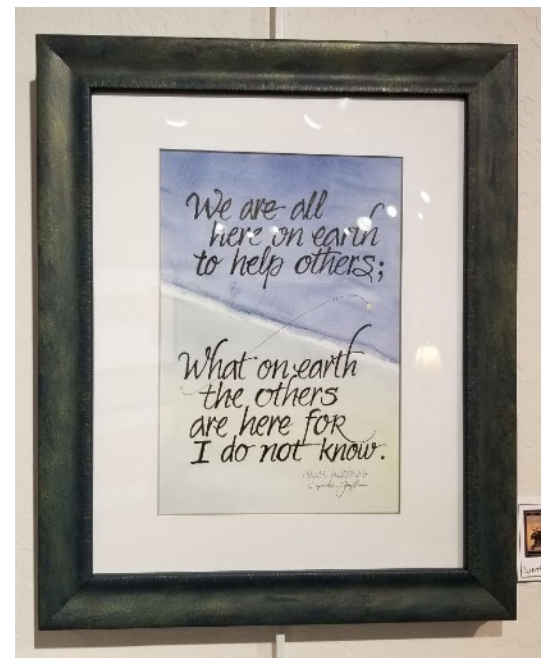
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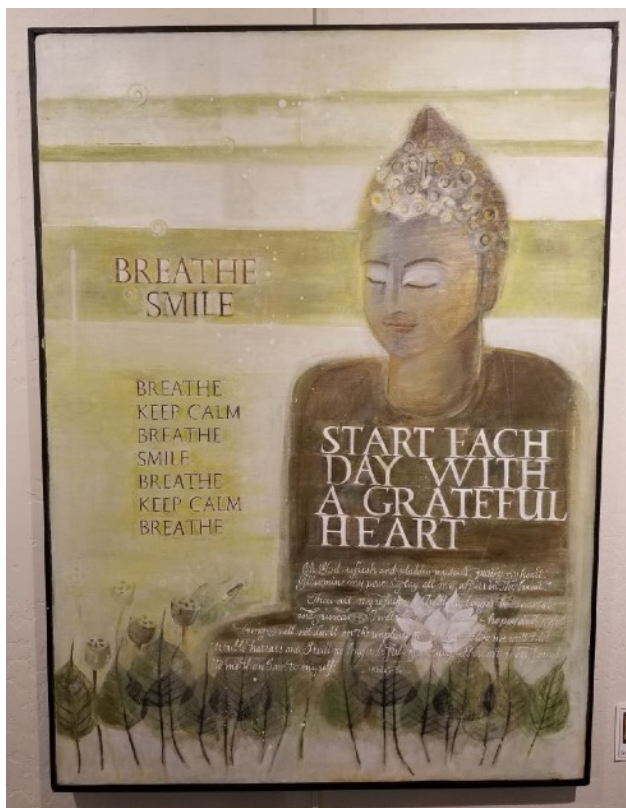
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Goly Ostovar



Cynthia Griffin



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Michael Holstein



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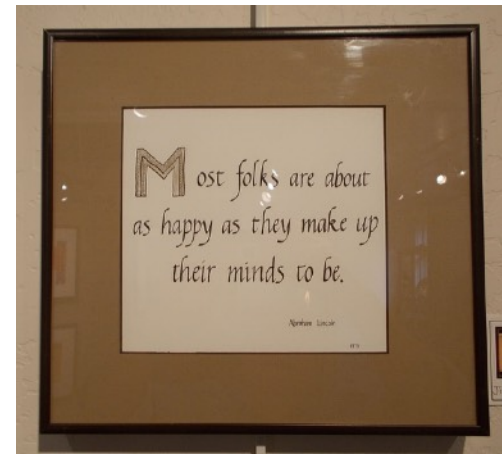
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JoAnn Evans



Jim Fety



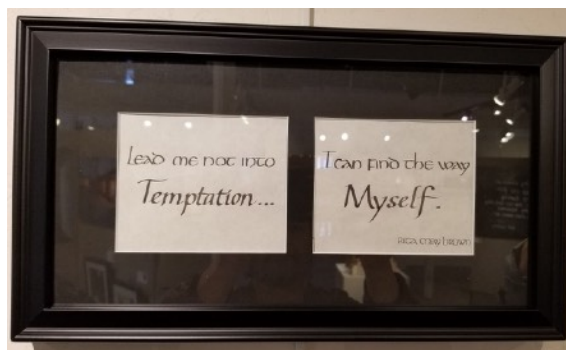
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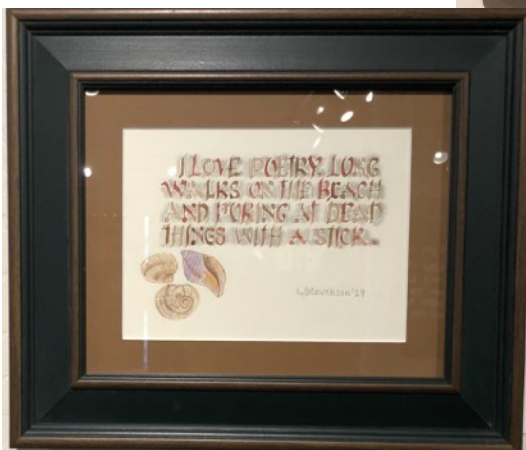
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Lynda Stevenson



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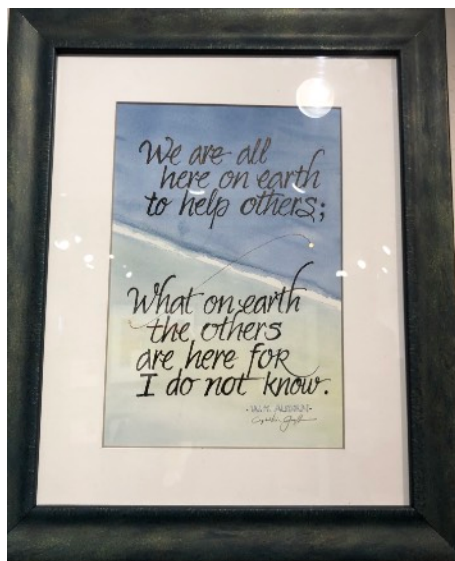




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Anne Brooks



Cynthia Griffin



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Michael Holstein



Steve????????



Michael Holstein



Anne Brooks

## Coming Events

### Peter Thornton Decorated Versals

May 26-27 Grizzly Peak Winery




### Adolf Bernd Letters—Decorated Versals

This workshop will begin with a gentle review of color and tonal exercises in both 'harmony' and 'contrast' that are an integral part of Adolf Bernd's letters.

We shall focus on the tonal subtlety found in Bernd's work—with projects using natural objects as color studies (a leaf, stone, flower, etc), as Bernd himself did. There will be exercises to explore the rich reservoir of the many subtleties found in 'neutrals' and grays, both warm, cool and inert that will give us a more sustained sense of beauty and satisfaction in our color palettes.

With our new color skills, we shall begin our work on a simple small capital letter, to explore in a gentle and logical manner, the underlying elements inherent in these forms. This basic 'understanding' will serve us well as we move on to work on the more versatile versal letter—and newer options—before adding the third Adolf Bernd element, the background.


Deadline March 23. enter soon!



## The Graceful Envelope

**2020 Contest Theme:**  
**Double Vision**

Transform an ordinary envelope into a work of art! The 2020 theme is inspired by the year itself. Only once a century does the year double up! On an envelope, capture something that's **double**—whatever you see in your personal Double Vision. Make sure your submission reflects the artistic hand lettering and imaginative use of color and design that have been the hallmarks of the contest. And, of course, incorporate postage stamp(s) into your creation.



**RULES:**

- Entries must be postmarked no later than **Monday, March 23, 2020**, and addressed artistically by hand to:

**The Graceful Envelope**  
1207 King Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

- You may enter only one envelope. Size may not exceed 7x9 inches. Standard #10 business envelopes are also permitted. There is no entry fee.
- Entries must be processed and delivered through the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail and may not be wrapped in a separate envelope or protective covering (unless multiple entries are coming from one class).
- On the back of the envelope, print "FROM" and your name, address and email (or teacher's email). Students need to indicate their grade level.
- To see full contest rules and past winning Graceful Envelopes, visit:  
<http://www.calligraphersguild.org/envelope.html>

**JUDGING:**

Winners will be chosen based on artistic hand lettering, creative interpretation of the theme and effective use of color and design, including incorporation of postage stamp(s).

Judges will consider entries in these categories:

**\*ADULT**  
\*Grades 1 to 4  
\*Grades 5 to 8  
\*Grades 9 to 12

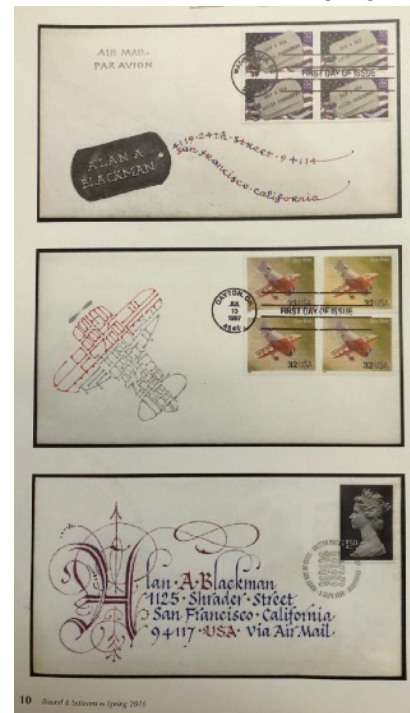
**WINNER NOTIFICATION:**

**WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL.** Winning artists will be displayed online beginning in early June 2020. Adult winning envelopes will be displayed at **Penny Post**, a stationery and lettering arts shop in Old Town Alexandria, VA. Winning envelopes will receive publicity and certificates; Penny Post will also have customers select a "People's Choice" awardee. Receipt of entries will not be acknowledged and entries will not be returned.

*The Washington Calligraphers Guild*

Questions? Contact Erin at [peonyplumecalligraphy@gmail.com](mailto:peonyplumecalligraphy@gmail.com)

Maurice showed up some beautiful envelopes from Alan Blackman who has some gorgeous ones!





Sometimes wordplay is a fun activity and thank you to Cynthia for writing this out a number of years ago and offering it for the newsletter. I hope it brings a smile to each of your faces.

### The Van Gogh Family Tree -

AFTER MUCH CAREFUL RESEARCH, IT HAS BEEN DISCOVERED THAT THE ARTIST VINCENT VAN GOGH HAD MANY RELATIVES. AMONG THEM ARE:

His obnoxious brother ... Please Gogh  
 The brother who ate prunes ... Gotta Gogh  
 The brother who worked at a convenience store ... Stopn Gogh  
 The grandfather from Yugoslavia ... U Gogh  
 The brother who bleached his clothes white ... Hue Gogh

The dizzy aunt ... Verti Gogh  
 The cousin from Illinois ... Chica Gogh  
 His magician Uncle ... Wherediddy Gogh  
 His Mexican cousin ... Ami Gogh  
 The Mexican cousin's American half brother ... Grin Gogh

The nephew who drove a stagecoach ... Wellsfar Gogh  
 The ballroom dancing aunt ... Tane Gogh  
 The bird lover uncle ... Flamin Gogh  
 The fruit loving cousin ... Mane Gogh  
 An aunt who taught positive thinking ... Wayto Gogh  
 His sister who loved disco ... Go Gogh  
 And his niece who traveled the country in a van ... Winniebay Gogh



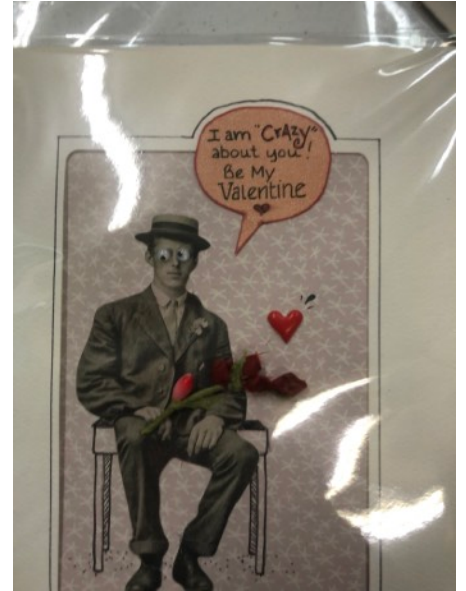
From the internet, written out by Cynthia Griffin

### A little word search fun from Mary and 'Puzzlemaker'

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F	N	A	E	T	A	L	P	R	E	P	P	O	C	U
Z	X	L	C	I	H	T	O	G	P	K	X	H	M	X
Z	K	J	W	M	B	B	X	I	D	K	O	P	W	W

BLACK
LETTER
COPPERPLATE
FLOURISH
FRACTURE
GOTHIC
ITALIC
MINISCULE
ROMAN
SERIF
STROKE
UNCIAL
VERSAL

Guild Mini workshop: Each month following our guild meeting we have had a mini workshop on card making. Our February and March classes were presented by our talented Cynthia Griffin who showed us how to make some wonderful cards. Here is some of her lovely work along with some from our members on the next page.





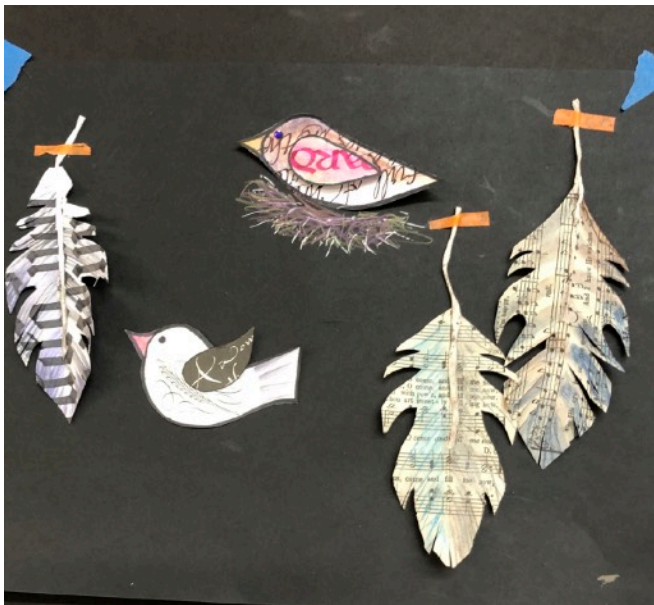
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JonAnn, Virginia and Carol



Cynthia's demo birds which do not fly.



Birds and feathers from printed pages.



From the mini guild class....



Such a creative idea for a special card.



JoAnn C., Cynthia, Mary and Carol



### Word of the Month

February word was chocolate and Goly was the one submission....thank you Goly, for your beautiful piece.

The word for March was Reckless and I have not received any for the month. If you send it, I will put it in next month, Please send a photo to [emjade@opendoor.com](mailto:emjade@opendoor.com), text to 541-292-0471 or call and we can make arrangements for it to be submitted.

Goly Ostovar: Chocolate and her display of love....



Carol created a welcome piece....for her new home perhaps?



## Maurice's Uncial Class

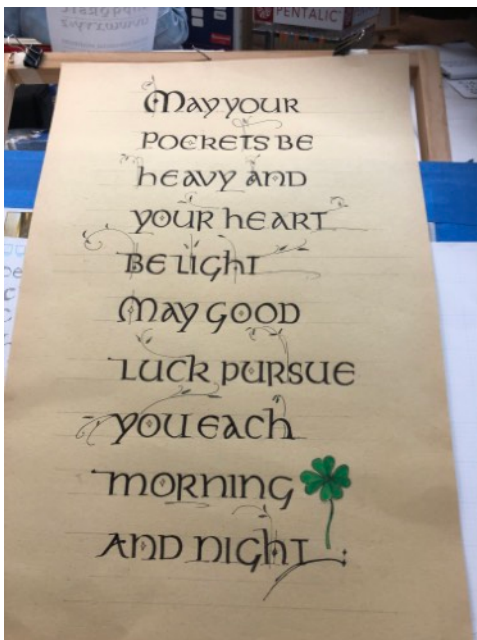
Maurice's Uncial class ends in early March with a new one, especially for new calligraphers, will begin on March 14. This class is for new calligraphers and will be 8 weeks long. Contact Scrappy Craft to sign up.



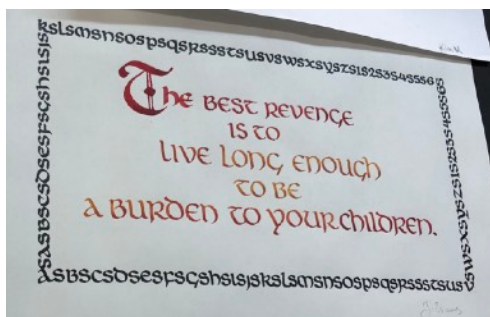
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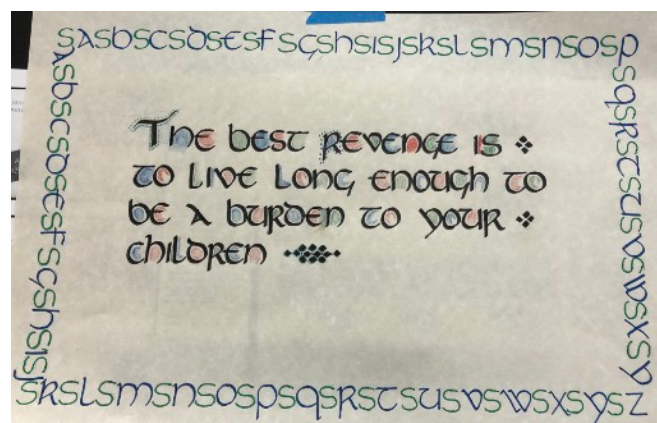
Michelle, Kim and



Lynda, Maurice, Mary, ?, Pam, JoAnn, and Kim.



JoAnn Evans



Dee



March 1, 2020

Photos of members at guild meetings or in class. Pictured in random order are Steve, JoAnn, Linda, Maurice, Cynthia, Virginia S., Pam, Dee, Kim, Michelle Carol, Virginia C,



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**Happy March  
Birthday to:**

Kim Zwemer-Margulis 3/11  
Carol Perkins 3/13



**Happy April Birthday to:**

Cynthia Mish 4/19  
Linda Mallecoat 4/22



**2019/2020 Calligraphers' Guild Calendar**

<b>September 2019</b> <b>7, 14, 21, 28 ... Saturday</b> Italic/Roman classes 10am - 12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>15 ... Sunday 4pm-5pm</b> <u>Eleanor Lippman Exhibit</u> Meet the Artist: Sunrise Room Gallery, Rogue Valley Manor. <i>(This will be in lieu of the Sept monthly Guild meeting)</i>	<b>October 2019</b> <b>5, 12, 19 .... Saturday</b> Italic/Roman classes 10am - 12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>26 ... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am-12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>TOPIC: Christmas Cards</b> Instructor: JoAnn Evans	<b>November 2019</b> <b>2 .... Saturday</b> Italic/Roman class (last one) 10am - 12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>23 ... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am-12pm at Scrappy Craft <b>TOPIC: Words &amp; Cards &amp; Pointed Pen Uncial</b> Instructors: Cynthia Griffin & Steve Ostrander	<b>December 2019</b> <b>14 .... Saturday</b> Annual Guild Winter/Holiday/Christmas Party 1pm - 3pm 3737 Windgate St., Medford Hosted by Carol Perkins
<b>January 2020</b> <b>25 Wit/Wisdom Deadline</b> Deliver framed art for exhibit to Cynthia Griffin 541-261-0236 <b>25 ... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am-12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>TOPIC: Valentines</b> Instructor: JoAnn Evans	<b>February 2020</b> <b>7 Wit &amp; Wisdom Exhibit</b> Opens at "Art Presence Gallery" in Jacksonville. <b>22 .... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am - 12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>TOPIC: The Good, Bad &amp; Ugly</b> Using letters on cards	<b>March 2020</b> <b>28 .... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am-12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>TOPIC: Spring ... words on rocks for the garden.</b> Instructor: Cynthia Griffin	<b>April 2020</b> <b>25 .... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am-12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>TOPIC: Calligraphy Orbs</b> Special Guest: Rita Derbas Also: A display of decorated envelopes
<b>May 2020</b> <b>23 ... Saturday Guild Mtg</b> 10am-12pm at Scrappy Craft, Phoenix <b>TOPIC: Postcards &amp; such</b> Instructor: Cynthia Griffin <b>26, 27 ... Tues/Wed/9am-4pm</b> <b>Peter Thornton Workshop</b> Location: Grizzly Peak Winery	<b>June 2020</b> <b>Card Exchange .....</b> Date, Time & Meeting location TBA	<b>July 2020</b> <b>Summer Break, No Guild Meeting ....</b>	<b>August 2020</b> <b>Annual Planning Meeting</b> Date, Time, Location TBA

Apologies to anyone whose picture I missed , mistakes made, and whose name I didn't list.