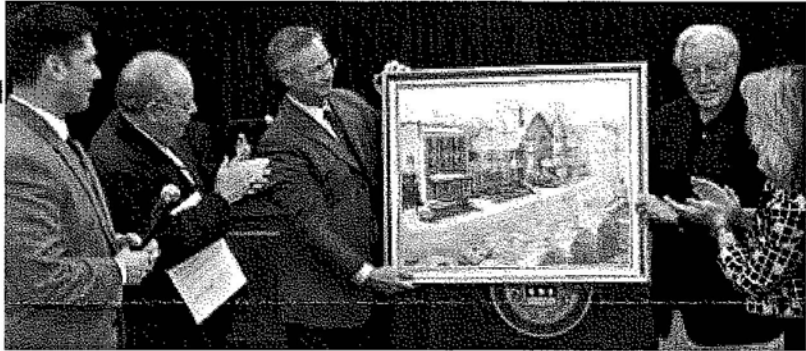




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## Philanthropist Herman Silverman Donates Painting to Commissioners, Residents of Bucks County

The February 16 business meeting of the Board of Bucks County Commissioners opened on a charitable note with a donation from one of the county's most prominent residents. Herman Silverman, who in 2001 was named a winner of the "Bucks County Distinguished Citizen" award, presented Commissioners Charles H. Martin, chairman, Robert G. Loughery and Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, LCSW with a painting entitled "*Juror's Perspective*" by local artist Carol Barany. The work depicts the block of North Main St. across from the current Bucks County Courthouse.



In reading a commendation to Mr. Silverman, Chairman Martin stated: "We commend you as a lifelong pillar of the arts in Bucks County, evidenced by your participation as a founding member and now chairman emeritus of the Board of Trustees of the James A. Michener Art Museum." The chairman also pledged that "the painting will be displayed in the Courthouse rotunda for both the public and employees to admire and enjoy. In the future, it will be displayed in the new Bucks County Justice Center."

The commissioners also presented Mr. Silverman with a special edition commissioners' tile from the Moravian Pottery & Tile Works, a memento he promised to showcase in his new art gallery in Buckingham Township.



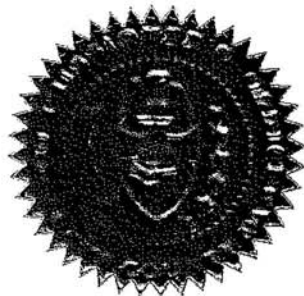
"I am delighted to be here, because I am among friends," Mr. Silverman told the assemblage in the Courthouse Community Room after the painting was unveiled. "The county commissioners have been so terrific to the arts in Bucks County."

Mr. Silverman also thanked the board for its continued support of the James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown Borough. As for his choice of "*Juror's Perspective*" to present to the county, he explained: "This wonderful painting, I picked it up about three-four years ago because it reminded me of Bucks County, the view from the Courthouse to that wonderful group of buildings across Main St. It's a reminder of what old times used to be like."

# Commendation

Board of County Commissioners  
Bucks County, Pennsylvania

February 16, 2011



Mr. Herman Silverman

Dear Herman:

We, the Board of Bucks County Commissioners, are proud and pleased to present you this Letter of Commendation in recognition of your years of leadership in support of the arts in Bucks County. In this regard we are honored to accept your donation of the painting "Juror's Perspective" by Bucks County artist Carol Barany. The painting will be displayed in the Courthouse rotunda for both the public and employees to admire and enjoy. In the future, it will be displayed in the new Bucks County Justice Center.

As a 2001 recipient of a "Bucks County Distinguished Citizen" award, we acknowledge your dedication as a vital contributor to our great county. Today we commend you as a lifelong pillar of the arts in Bucks County, evidenced by your participation as a founding member and now Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Trustees of the James A. Michener Art Museum. You were also a member of the Bucks County Arts Council and founded the Bucks County Artmobile which accessibly shares art with our communities.

We congratulate you on your latest arts venture - the opening of "The Silverman Gallery of Bucks County Impressionist Art." Your underlying commitment is to showcase the next generation of Bucks County artists who paint in the impressionist style reminiscent of world renowned Bucks Countians Edward Redfield, Fern Coppedge and Daniel Garber. While providing a beautiful viewing venue, your impetus for the new gallery is to offer quality original works from award-winning artists at affordable prices for collection and investment.

We extend our appreciation for your dedication and service to the arts community and, by extension, all residents of Bucks County. We affix our signatures to this letter in sincere thanks for your generous donation. We wish you good health and continued success in all your many endeavors.

Sincerely,

Charles H. Martin  
Chairman

Robert G. Longhery

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, LCSW