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REHOBOTH BEACH, DE—The Rehoboth Art League (RAL) announced today that Executive Director Karen McGrath is leaving to accept an exciting governmental position which will be announced shortly. The Art League will continue working with Karen in her new position.

“Karen has served in the last two fiscal years as an excellent executive director,” said Board President Marcia DeWitt. “She put together a top-notch staff, made strong connections for the RAL statewide, built a stronger organizational infrastructure, improved the campus and established solid ties for the RAL in many communities. We wish her our very best and look forward to working with her in her new position,” DeWitt added.

“I am very grateful for the time I spent working at the Rehoboth Art League,” said Karen McGrath. “I have truly never met a group of individuals so committed to the legacy, success and sustainability of an organization. It has been an honor to be associated with this staff and board, the volunteers, artists, local residents and community that support the work of the Art League.”

Both DeWitt and McGrath stressed that all RAL classes, programs, exhibits, events and initiatives will continue uninterrupted. In fact, planning for 2011 is already in place. The board’s first vice-president and treasurer Larry Sweigert will serve as interim director, a position he very capably held prior to McGrath’s hiring.

The RAL recently completed a very successful fiscal year doubling outreach programs in disadvantaged communities; bringing new and old favorite instructors to campus; presenting exciting exhibitions that attracted guests like the Delaware Secretaries of State and Agriculture; developing an affiliate relationship with the state Department of Historical and Cultural Affairs; launching a new web site; aiding in the creation of the Delaware Art Alliance; participating in an international arts exchange; and staging fundraising events like the Cottage Tour and Outdoor Show. Most importantly, the RAL helped our member artists succeed by selling art and putting a half million dollars back into the hands of our artists.

The Rehoboth Art League is located at 12 Dodds Lane in Henlopen Acres, just blocks from downtown Rehoboth. For more information visit www.rehobothartleague.org.

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