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December 2013 - Newsletter



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Next gathering:

*Tuesday,
December 3, 2013*

(Christmas Party at Primo's)

Next meeting: January 7, 2014
6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center

Save These Dates!

December 3, 2013 - OFAA Christmas Party

December 5, 2013 - Last day of Chanukah

December 7, 2013 - Downtown Gallery Walk

December 24 - 25, 2013 - Christmas

Dec. 26 - Jan. 1 - Kwanzaa

December 31, 2013 - New Year's Eve

January 1, 2014 - New Year's Day

January 4, 2014 - Downtown Gallery Walk

January 7, 2014 - OFAA meeting



“Small cheer and great welcome makes a merry feast.”

- William Shakespeare

President's Post

It is a quiet month for the Fine Arts Association but with the holidays fast approaching life in general gets rather hectic. Take a break from your baking, decorating and shopping. Come enjoy a relaxing evening of camaraderie among fellow members and guests at our Christmas Party. To be held at Primo, Tuesday, December 3 with cocktails (cash bar) at 6 pm and dinner being served at 7 pm. If you choose you may bring a piece of your art work for an art gift exchange or a non-art gift (suggested value of \$15) for a non-art gift exchange. My wish for all of you is peace and joy during the most glorious season of all ... **Christmas!**

See you at our Christmas party, I'll be there with bells on!

Merry Christmas everyone.

Jill Marie Soik

President

Minutes from November 5, 2013

Program:

This was our annual Chili Fest and the buffet tables were heavy with food. We had several artists showing their latest art pieces, including one of our guests, Diane Seckar, who makes felted wool slippers.

Hospitality:

Diane Seckar and Mike Howerton were visiting guests.

Thanks to **Joyce Tornow** for organizing the chili and buffet supper

Secretary's Report:

The secretary's report for Oct, 1, 2013 from the newsletter was accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

General Account - \$ 12,069.26
Scholarship Account - \$3,472.20

Workshops:

Lynn Artz reported that the pastel workshop in November, with Susan Klabak, needs more students so she will be opening up the registration opportunities to the Rural Rembrandts and the art club in Fond du Lac.

Adirondack Inks with Jeannie Chase will be in February and watercolor portraiture with Nancy Kirst on April 5, 2014.

Programs:

The Jan. & Feb. slots are being finalized.

Publicity:

Compliments to **Rosemary Eiden** on the great article submitted to the Northwestern .

Scholarships:

Instead of a basket/artwork auction at our holiday party the committee will gbe sending out a written request to the members asking for cash donations to the scholarship fund. This donation is targeted to underwrite the **Adela Baumhardt Member Scholarship**.

The SOFA Show trip was utilized by 8 members, 5 non-members and 8 students.

Newsletter:

Please let **Elli Wollangk** know when you have entered and/or received recognition for an entry. A picture of your award winning entry would also be appreciated. The more details - the better.

Old Business:

Members' Booth:

Susan Osland made a motion to purchase another tent to match the newest tent purchase this past year. Rosemary Eiden seconded the motion. Motion carried. Joanne Murphy-Herwig will handle the purchase for the club.

The Members' Booth is in need of a chairperson.

Plein Old Oshkosh:

Nancy Kirst suggested that we consider calling our event "Art at the Market" instead of "Plein Old Oshkosh" because there were several comments made this summer that is was not truly just a plein aire event. **Michaelene Urban** moved and **Carolyn Sturma** seconded. Motion carried.

New Business:

Shirley Lucas will provide the newsletter with info on the SOAR program.

Minutes from November 5, 2013 continued

New Business continued:

A discussion was held about the need to cultivate college students as future members. Perhaps a recruitment poster could be developed for display at several points around the campuses.

A discussion was held about the need to cultivate all the art teachers in the area, get them on a mail list and keep them in the loop about the OFAA.

Michaele Urban suggested that perhaps we should invite them to our Christmas Party and make them feel welcome by giving them an honorary membership.

Sandy DePeaux moved and **Elli Wollangk** seconded that the a letter be sent out contacting all the art educators in the Oshkosh area informing them of our intention to give each of them an Honorary Art Educator Membership. Motion carried.

Announcements:

The December Christmas Party will be at Primo's on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

The Altrusa Club of Oshkosh is selling 1# bags of shelled pecans for \$13 each. Contact **Sandy DePeaux** or another Altrusa member if you are interested.

Tina Haffeman, President of the Board of the Day By Day Warming Shelter at 449 High Avenue in Oshkosh, spoke to us about the shelter and her goal to implement a fund raising event that would be unique to the shelter. Patterned after an event in Door Co., her idea concept incorporates individual pieces of miniature art to be executed by a multitude of area artists, that will then be displayed for the public to purchase.

All the details are still being finalized and will be communicated to the OFAA membership via newsletters and e-blasts. The target start date is sometime in Jan. 2014.

Meeting was adjourned.

The Oshkosh Fine Arts Association
will be having an

Inks Multi Media Workshop Saturday, February 8, 2014.

Artist: Jeanne Chase

<http://www.artagas.com/about.html>

Location:

Gruenhagen Conference Center
UWO

Terrace Room

<https://maps.google.com/maps?hl=en&tab=wl>

Time:

9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Light breakfast provided.

Please bring your lunch.

Cost:

Member cost is **\$51.00**

Materials are included.

The workshop is limited to 12 people.

We need 8 people for a minimum.

Please sign up by Saturday January 29, 2014.

If you want to attend please email Sandra DePeaux at:

sandydp@charter.net

The day will start out with a demo going over the materials and resources. This workshop will focus on the use of alcohol inks. This is a great chance to explore different surfaces such as a ceramic tile, a domino, a metal washer, yupo paper, graphics film, & treated watercolor paper to name a few—probably some canvas, plastic and glass too. There will also be stamps, inkpads embossing powders and acrylic paints to try. Jeanne will bring the tools needed to apply the alcohol ink and bring items for sale such as mats, backing and sleeves for the 5x7 projects as well as extra tiles, paper, film, etc.

Member News & Opportunities

Joye Moon still has an opening on the trip to Greece & Turkey this April. Brochures are available and there is a need for a roommate for a gal from Neenah, WI. Contact Joye if you are interested.

Joye will be the featured guest artists at the Exhibits at Evergreen, 1130 N. Westfield St, Oshkosh, WI, December 7, 2013 to February 27, 2014.

Her National and International exhibited portrait work will be featured plus landscapes, florals and abstractions. There will be matted work available during the opening reception on Saturday, Dec. 7, 4:00 to 6:00pm. Joye will give a talk at 5:00pm.



Maxine Nobbe reports that the Wisconsin Regional Artists Association (WRAA) will be using her image of "Shadow vs Tree" from the 2013 WRAP Exhibit color catalog for its new 2014 membership brochure.



Michaelene Urban is showing at Becket's in December along with other artists on a revolving wall space that will benefit a fundraiser to buy better lighting for shows at the restaurant. Works from other area artists include Monty Giffin, Don Stolley, Dylan Stolley and many more.

Opening Gallery walk. Dec 7



Cheryl McCarthy has watercolor paintings at Lara's Tortilla Flats.



Karen Crown is having an open house and sale on Dec. 7th.

In march she has been invited to have a show at Evergreen Retirement Home and will be showing her mixed media pieces and demoing the gold leaf technique on glass

Karen has also been nominated to be the Regional Director for the north region of the International Society of Glass Bead Makers (ISGB)

HOLIDAY SALE

JENNA LARSON GLASS

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GLASS ART BY JENNA LARSON
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2ND HOUSE ON THE RIGHT. N2226 CHICAGO RD.

Member Spotlight

Joyce Tornow

“I have always been an artist...it has been my whole life to create and design.”

Joyce was brought up on a farm in a family of six children, near Lake Puckaway. Her father, who fished and hunted all seasons, set a lifelong example as a conservationist. He believed in a clean environment and the co-existence of wildlife and mankind.



There were no formal art classes in the one room grade school, just Art Appreciation. The class discussed the old classic paintings. Formal art training was gained as class time opened up in her life. Along with marriage to Roger in 1960 and then raising three sons,



her working career brought her opportunities to stretch her talents and take additional classes. She was a full time hand painter at Miles Kimball Co. then put in 15 years with the Oshkosh Trophy Co. While working as an engraver, painter and designer she was able to develop her own line of lasered

black walnut plaques and desk sets. This was also when she designed the Bernard Petersen award for the OFAA.

Joyce has been an active member of the Plymouth Gallery North for years and is now approaching her 50th year with the OFAA. Living a life filled with artful experiences meant sharing time with Roger (who focuses on nature photography) to promote both of their talents. The calendar filled up quickly with participation in up to 27 fairs from spring to fall, followed by the indoor shows. Additional time was filled with producing the note cards, hand painted décor, photographs and paintings that filled their booth.



Member Spotlight continued



There are at least 32 original designs in pen & ink for just the note card line and many of those are also produced with additional color.

Joyce and Roger's joint involvement with the art fair community has earned them the moniker of the "Naturally Wisconsin" couple. Health issues now have reduced the time spent on the road but the art involvement continues.

There have been many special events and moments of recognition for Joyce throughout her art endeavors. Twenty years ago when the first "Earth Day" was organized, artwork was chosen from many artists to represent nature's best perspective. Joyce had an oil painting chosen for that first event and years later the same painting was once again exhibited at the capitol building in Madison through the Wisconsin Arts

Board. There have also been numerous awards. The photograph "Expecting Guests" (three cats in the bird feeder) brought her First Place awards at both the Plymouth Gallery North's Holiday Exhibit and at the WinnebagoLand Art Fair. Her art is in private collections in Europe, South America (Brazil) and many states in the U.S.

Through it all, Joyce credits her drive and interest to her parents, love of her family (which has grown to include six grandsons and two great grandchildren), friendships with artists including Bernard Petersen and Sally Witzke, and of course, her best friend and critic, Roger.

"I am still an artist...as my sight diminishes, I must still create the beauty of God's world of nature. So with this purpose in mind, my days are full, my art is more loosely done - easier I find! And I add photos to capture what's around us."





A few photos from the Pastel Workshop with Susan Klabak. It was a small group but everyone seemed to get a lot out of it. Susan did a demo and brought a variety of supplies so we got to compare different brands of pastels. It was very informative. We spent most of the afternoon working with some guidance and encouragement from Susan.



The deadline is at hand.

If you haven't renewed your membership to OFAA you run the risk of dropping out of the loop for full membership benefits.

Please take an extra minute or two to completely fill out the Membership Form below and include it with your check.

By providing an up to date form we can be sure that our records for your contact information remain correct.

And we hope you'll pass a copy of your newsletter on to potential new members.

Membership Form

September 2013- August 2014

Individual membership \$20 - or - Joint membership \$30

_____ *New Member(s)*

_____ *Membership Renewal*

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ *E-mail* _____

Make check payable to: Oshkosh Fine Arts Association

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