

Lake Placid Art League Newsletter

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News Updates

We wish everyone a healthy new year. This year has been a difficult one for some of our members. Joan Pizzi is recovering from surgery as is Anna Eble. Bill Snyder is rebuilding strength from a bout of double pneumonia. Maria Lorant is slowly recovering from a severe flu bout after her husband recovered from a similar illness.

We had some minor repairs to our new flooring as some boards needed attention from extra weight on shelving units that caused a few boards lifting. We thank the repairmen who were helpful in redoing parts of the front storage area. Diana Pelland donated a tree with handmade wooden ornaments that her husband, Normand, had won years ago from the Sebring carvers. Thank you Diana and many carvers wish to purchase ornaments for patterns to learn to carve.

Pat Keesling is settling in her new place in Sebastian, living with son Larry and daughter-in-law, Sandy. We are glad to keep in touch and appreciate her continued interest in the Art League. She continued her yearly donation to the show and we thank her.

The Sparkling Ladies

The Art League will have a special showing of Mary Behler's Sparkling Ladies Art on Sunday, January 20th, from one until four with refreshments served to the visitors. Mary has created absolutely beautiful and unusual art pieces featuring the glitter and sparkle of ladies of the Art Deco period. Each piece is unique and features jeweled additions that highlight the ladies and their attire. Please plan to attend this exhibit and tell your friends and neighbors about our January event. We would also appreciate donated refreshments to enhance the exhibit and provide treats for our guests. We thank Mary for her willingness to share her new creativity with everyone.

Holiday Excursion

Nineteen members of our Art League visited the Jacaranda Hotel in Avon Park to view the holiday decorations, including a fifteen foot red themed

Christmas tree, a sleigh and numerous holiday decorations throughout the lobby. The members enjoyed a buffet luncheon in the dining room of the hotel, then proceeded to the Peter Powell Roberts Museum in the Community Center. Fred Leavitt, president of the Heartland Cultural Alliance, showed a film about the artist and spoke about his meeting with him and subsequent friendship that developed that included Sheba, Fred's therapy dog. PP Roberts willed his collection of more than one hundred fabulous Highlands Hammock paintings to the HCA; about one third of them are displayed at the Museum. They are the basis of the permanent collection. Rose Besch and Shirley Stone, Art League members, had their art work on display for a Saturday opening, so we were able to enjoy their unique art before the official opening. The Art League gave one hundred dollars to the HCA as an appreciation for the visit to the museum. We suggest more members visit this unbelievable art that Peter Powell Roberts created late in his life after his career as an instructor at the Ringling Art School. Thanks to everyone who went on our excursion and to the drivers as well.

LAKE PLACID ART & CRAFTS COUNTRY FAIR

February 2-3, 2019 9am - 4pm

LPAL Members this year we will be conducting a membership drive during the Country Fair. We have secured a space within DeVane Park to take advantage of the foot traffic and visitors who attend this yearly event. We will be seeking members, such as, woodcarvers, painters, etc. They will answer questions, view carvers, painters and generally assist in nurturing someone in an artistic future with our league. We are hoping to have some artistic pieces for display only (these items will be secured during off hours and can be dropped off at the league or picked up during class hours.

A sign up sheet will be available at the Art League and you can also contact Ernie Bell at 440-668-8349 or erniebellkelleys@aol.com.

New Class

A watercolor class will be offered at the Art League instructed by Carole Heath. Carole has degrees in Commercial Illustration and Fine arts. Her classes will start Jan 9th and continue each Wednesday until she leaves in April. Classes will run 1 pm till 4 pm and will cost \$15 per session. First few classes Carole will demonstrate techniques and have students work on the procedures she has introduced.

Barbara Wade and Cold Wax Painting

Barb Wade will be our featured speaker at our January meeting on Wednesday, January 16th at 5 P.M. following our covered dish dinner. She is a long standing member of our Art League and has exhibited many times in our show. She will be demonstrating the process of cold wax painting and this should be fascinating to witness. Plan to attend this meeting to meet Barb and see her new art process. We will also ask for volunteers for our show, so plan to sign up.

A Holiday Luncheon Thank You

Penny Edmondson collected all the reservations and money for our December luncheon and we thank her for all her efforts. Forty one people made reservations and enjoyed the camaraderie at the Country Club of Sebring. Our hostess, Judy, was delightful to work with and she and her servers were wonderful. Thanks. Linda and Paul Dolan, Lorraine Baratela and Penny Edmondson donated decorations for our drawing and we thank them heartily. In addition, thanks to everyone who attended our end of year dinner.

Upcoming January 26th Art Show

We have artists for all our indoor booths but have room outside for more. Tell your friends to join our wonderful artists for a fine show. We need volunteers to distribute the free door prize tickets throughout the day; in addition, we need sellers and money takers for the drawing booth, again throughout the day.

The Art League members provide the art for the drawing; we have quite a few pieces of art but we would be glad for some additional artwork to place in our drawing. This part of our show produces funds for the Art League so it is important to have people selling

tickets and providing the artwork. Thanks everyone in advance for all your support and assistance.

Trip planned:

Thurs., January 17, 12:00, to MOFAC (SFSC Museum of Florida Art and Culture), Avon Park, Seminole State College Art Professor Bert Bogdany "Organic Geometry Ceramic Art Show," Opening Reception 1 p.m." Also displayed, Portraits in Fiber of Scenes from the 30's-50's. Free Admission.

We will meet at our LP Art League Building at noon and drive up to MOFAC at the college campus. If you are interested, please call Fran Rolston 465-0038; carpooling needed. We plan to go to the Cady Shack for a bite to eat too. Join us!

Upcoming Dates:

Sparkling Ladies by Mary Behler LPAL Show (at the Agricultural Center)	Jan. 20 1-4 p.m.
Country Fair LPAL Art League Members Show:	Jan. 26 9 a.m. -4p.m. Feb. 2 - 3 Feb. 10 1-4 p.m.
Wood Carvers Show:	March 10 1-4 p.m.
Plein Air Painting Event & Show:	March 16 & 17
LPAL Art League Painters Show:	April 14 1-4 p.m.