

Lake Placid Art League

Newsletter

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Art and Crafts Show

Our 30th annual art and fine crafts show was held on a beautiful Saturday, January 28th. We were so pleased with the turnout of about 60 artists and twenty five of them were delighted that we gave so many ribbons and cash awards. They appreciated that our show was efficiently run and that they were treated well. Thank you everyone for making them feel welcome and wanted.

Eleven of our artist members donated pieces for the drawing. We thank them heartily and appreciate their willingness to give us an art piece for this part of our show, all of which is profit. We made \$671.00 on the drawing. Thanks to John Lasco, a Sebring artist who was in our show, for donating two paintings for the drawing, above and beyond what we ask of our vendors. Again, thanks to all the drawing donors.

We reached our expectations for the prize money this year. We gave a \$500 best of show award, eight first prize awards of \$100, eight second prize awards of \$80, and eight third prize awards of \$60. Thanks to all the donors who have received thank you notes and a framed certificate of appreciation. Without these donors, we would not be able to award the money that we do. For everyone's information, \$1800 of the \$2420 came directly from our members and the rest from people or businesses in our community. What a wonderful statement we can make about our members and our town!

Our volunteers did fabulously, working hard on Friday and Saturday. It takes everyone to pitch in and help. We counted on each person and needed each one all through the day. Our special thank you will occur on Wednesday, February 15th at the Happy Chef, south of Lake Placid on US 27 from 4 to 6. Dinner is for

everyone in the Art League, whether you were able to volunteer for the show or you are a member of our organization. Let's celebrate a great show.

Woodcarvers

The woodcarvers will be competing at The Highlands Woodcarvers' show on Saturday, Feb. 11 in Sebring at 333 Pomegranate St., behind the Police station. They will be exhibiting the following Saturday, Feb. 18 in Arcadia at the Turner Agricultural Center. Please come to support our woodcarvers.

Sad News

We lost one of our long time members, Norman Pelland, last week. Norm recently had a stem cell procedure to aid his lung function. He participated in our art show and seemed to be improved but he suffered a massive stroke several days later and was not able to survive. Services will be Thursday, Feb. 9 at 11 at St. James Church. Diana requested that all donations made in his memory be given to the scholarship fund of Lake Placid Art League. We appreciate this fine gesture.

Country Fair

Our members did exceedingly well at the Country Fair held this last weekend. In the categories of china painting, woodcarving, painting, etc.

we had numerous winners. We hope many were able to attend the show and visit the elementary school displays to see the works of art.

Board News

The Board has been working at meetings and at the Art League to streamline our organization. Bank accounts have been consolidated into one CD, one scholarship savings account, and one checking account. This should make the work of the treasurers, Wanda and John Nichols, a tad easier. We also plan to operate our organization from September until August to put everything into one calendar year for the membership drive, the show, the carving program, and the winter classes.

Horse drawing

Tickets, at a cost of \$1 each or 6 for \$5, will be available for the horse donated by Tom and Lynn Waldon. John Nichols will manage the sale of the tickets. We will draw the winning ticket after the woodcarving exhibit on March 5.

Schedule of Events

February 15: Appreciation Dinner

February 18: Acrylic Class with Jeni

March 5: Carvers' Show

March 15: Dinner Meeting

April 9: All Members/All Media Show

April 19: Dinner Meeting

May 17: Dinner Meeting