

Lake Placid Art League Newsletter

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Painters' Exhibit

The exhibit held at the Art League Building on March 4 drew quite a number of people who thoroughly enjoyed meeting the artists and viewing their work. It was beneficial for the artists to chat with visitors who learned about their subject choices and methods of producing the artwork. The Tuesday class of painters that exhibited included: Terry Blovsky, Connie Giguere, Bobbi Brown, Dreana Compton, Peggy Miller, Beverly Myers, Joan Pizzi, and Linnea Ault. Several painters were not in the exhibit because of being out of town. Refreshments were provided by Art League members, and they were delicious. People were impressed with the quality of the art and our artists were pleased with the first showing of their artwork.

CHANGED DATE FOR THE MEMBERS' EXHIBIT

The all inclusive members' show of artwork will be held on **Sunday, April 22nd**, at the Art League. **The date has been moved back one week** and should provide a little more time to place flyers in businesses and more time to advertise the event by itself, not quite so close to other happenings. Please note this change in date: **SUNDAY, APRIL 22ND, FROM 1 UNTIL 4.** All members, painters, woodcarvers, jewelers, etc. are invited to participate in this show. Bring one or two pieces of your work in the week of the show on Tuesday or Thursday while the building is open. We will need refreshments also as we do at all of our exhibits. We are known for quality artwork and fine food!!!!

Dinner Meeting on March 21st

Our regular monthly meeting will be held on

Wednesday, March 21, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. We will have a dinner meeting and a program following. Dotti Bade will be demonstrating and talking about polymer clay; she had a booth at our January art show and exhibited and sold her jewelry as well as her watercolors. Come to the meeting and hear Dotti speak about her new interest in art.

Update on our Building

We are having several items in our building attended to by Hugh Noeske, a new woodcarver and contractor. Several areas of concern need to be tended to and Hugh has volunteered to assist us by giving us an estimate and then completing the repairs. We thank him in advance and appreciate his offer to help us with some minor repairs.

We are still trying to raise money for our building fund to work on replacing the floor. We need a committee of three interested people to organize, talk to contractors and develop a plan for the flooring in our building. Please call Marlene at 699 2665 if you have a desire to help us in this area. Our wish and tentative time frame is to replace the floor in the summer. The two trees have been removed in the rear of the property, so we have actually begun to improve our property. Small steps, but necessary ones!!!

January Show Results

We definitely moved forward with our show this year. We had about sixty five artists with varied artwork, some returning ones from other years and many new artists. They have indicated a desire to return next year, so that means they were pleased

with the show, the attendance, and the sales. We do hear often that they like our show because it is organized, they are appreciated, and the visitors are the best. Thank you, everyone, for helping.

We have completed all paper work from the show. The Tourist Development has approved our request for reimbursement of the \$1000. for out of county advertising; our check should be sent to us very soon. We made a profit of \$1389.35 from the show, not including the \$666.00 scholarship money that has been placed in the scholarship account. That puts us over two thousand dollars, the highest in recent years. The additional artists attending our show were the main reason for the increase. We also had donations of the chicken barbecue by the Edmondsons, the chili from Wendy's and the cold drinks from Pepsi Company. We sent letters of appreciation for their generosity.

Thirty nine people attended Mr. Sammy's for dinner which was hosted by the Snyders in appreciation of all the wonderful help for the show and for our truly great members. For those who were unable to attend, we thank you and want you to know you also are greatly appreciated.

Loss of Three Ladies

Mary Gebhard, long time Art League member passed away mid February. She had been one of the early Art League members, an officer and president at different times and continued to be active, saying the prayer at our monthly meetings, and installing the officers at our annual Christmas luncheon. At the December meeting, she installed the first page of the officers, realized she had a second page, so stood up and installed the rest of the officers, stating, "I wanted this to be short, but not this short." We will miss our Mary, who was just about to celebrate her 98th birthday but died four days prior.

The woodcarvers will miss Bette Fisher, as she always had a great sense of humor and was very kind. Bette and her husband Fred would come down from Ohio every year to spend their winters in Lake Placid. She and her husband enjoyed helping with the art show in the carvers' kitchen.

In addition, Christine Yarbour, former Art League member and past officer, passed away a short time ago. She was an artist and writer, survived by

husband, Carl, who had also been one of our members, our special handyman at the AL.

We will miss all the members and family members we have lost in the past year. It has been a difficult year.



Plein Air

"For those interested in painting outdoors, our **Plein Air Event** this year will be held Sat. April 7, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come and paint outdoors with us! From 8 a.m. we will set up throughout Lake Placid and then prepare canvases for hanging at our Art League building at 3 p.m. **Our Plein Air Show will be Sunday, April 8, from 1 - 4 p.m. at our Art League building** with Peoples' Choice Awards presented at 3 p.m. Light refreshments available. This Event is open to the Public and we have invited The Highlands Art League, The Caladium Co Op, and Lake Okeechobee Artists, Arcadia/Desoto Arts Council Artists, South Florida State College Art Staff and Students, and Art Staff and Students from Avon Park H.S., Sebring H.S., and Lake Placid H.S. This should be a very interesting and fun event for all and as successful as last year. Join us! \$10 registration fee; \$5 for students. Call Fran Rolston 465-0038 for further details. Registration is Sat., 4/7, at 8 a.m.; rain cancels.

Packed House at the Woodcarvers' Exhibit

The visitors started arriving thirty minutes before our opening hour at one and continued for the three hours of the show. Many saw our newspaper ad and others remembered how wonderful this exhibit always is for the community to enjoy. Refreshments were brought by members and everyone seemed to find them delectable as always. Thank you to the twenty seven carvers for bringing your woodcarvings in for sharing and to everyone for the refreshments as well. All of the work was of excellent quality and appreciated for the talent of the woodcarvers. Again, thank you so much for sharing. Val Snyder donated a shark carving for us to have for a drawing. The carving brought in \$285 and was won by Jim Davis of Sebring.