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## NEWSLETTER

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### DPAL Newsletter

• Newsletter Editor: Valerie Lorimer  
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• Newsletter articles and pieces are due to Valerie by the 15th of the month.

• Typed pieces are preferred via e-mail, on disk, faxed or put in the Newsletter drawer at the league. Please put submissions on **full** pieces of paper so they don't get lost!  
• Thanks.

## Upcoming Calendar

- Apr. 2-3 Pickup for *Every Blooming Thing*  
Dropoff for *April Showers and Rainbows*
- Apr. 21 Monday Night Open Program  
featuring Annette Perone  
Lieber – Mixed Media Sculpture
- Apr. 30 & May 1 Pickup for *April Showers and Rainbows*  
Dropoff for *I Remember Mama*
- June 4-5 Pickup for *I Remember Mama*  
Dropoff for *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*

## Gallery II May Exhibit Monday Night Features Dee Leppin Program

The Gallery II May exhibit features representational artist Dee Leppin whose primary subject is the landscape. A reception will be held after the critique of "I Remember Mama" on Saturday, May 3. Come be inspired by the judge's insights, and then enjoy snacks and a time to "meet and greet."

Originally painting exclusively in oil, Dee exhibited in the inaugural Oil Painters of America show in 1992. Then ten years later took her first class in pastel.

"I was hesitant to try a new medium as I felt the only way to become a better oil painter was to paint in oil. What I found, instead, was the basics of a good painting are the same, no matter the medium. Trying something new gave my work a new spark and continues to provide new challenges as I switch back and forth between oil and pastel.

Whether working in my garden or at my easel, it is my hope to create something of beauty. I try to capture everyday things at a special moment – the play of light, the color, the mood...

Art brings joy! Frustrations along the way pale when a painting is completed, and I'm able to see that I've made strides toward accomplishing what I set out to do."

## Warning!

The Wheaton Police Department has issued the following notice:

The "Student" parking forms that are placed into the windshields of cars during classes is to be used **ONLY** by students. Volunteers and teachers cannot use this form! Please park in the garage across the street. Parking Enforcement Officer Blanchard #173.

Our April 21 Monday Night Open Program will feature Annette Perone Lieber, who will give a presentation on Mixed Media Sculpture. Annette attended Northern Illinois University and has participated in visual arts workshops with nationally known artists. She has received more than 150 awards for her art work since 1970, and her various other artistic achievements are far too numerous to list here. All dimensions of artistic expression are fascinating to Annette, and she has spent most of her life experimenting with all media.

Annette states: "The world we see affords an ever-changing subject from which to draw inspiration. Another world opened when I began research using an electron microscope. Looking deeply into the mysterious, microscopic world created a desire to discover the intricate in all objects, especially those of the hidden world that holds the secrets of our very lives. As I incorporate the "trapped air" imagery in my art, I strive to have others view these mysteries as I do. Today, I embrace contemporary techniques, while combining concepts, materials and images from many sources. My senses fill me with wonder compelling me to create art that will communicate my thoughts and feelings."

In her program, Annette will tell us more about her contemporary techniques, her goals to present her views of beauty and meaning, and her goal for the future. Join us for refreshments from 7 to 7:30 p.m. and for Annette's fascinating presentation from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

## March Award Winners...“Every Blooming Thing”

### Best of Show

David Mayeau, “Aphid Eater,” Digital Photography

### Special Merit Awards

Jay Davis, “Daffodils I,” Acrylic

Kirk Kerndl, “Oranges,” Oil

Judith Laczó, “Spring,” Pastel

### Merit Awards

George Ceffalio, “Sunflower,” Oil

Fred Drury, “May Apple,” Photo

Virginia Gould, “Summer Blooms,” Ink

Mick Griesbaum, “Empty Seed,” Mixed Media

Ray Kotz, “Wooden Tulip,” Mixed Media

Annette Perone Leiber, “Blooming Galaxy,” Watercolor on Canvas

Robert Pennor, “Sunlit,” Oil

Dave Reichert, “Reaching for the Light,” Acrylic

Bill Sahagian, “Pond Path,” Acrylic

Yvonne Thompson, “Morning Glory,” Fused Glass

Kay Wahlgren, “Hint of Spring,” Watercolor

Susan Young, “Hibiscus,” Photo

### Judge

Pat Lager, Aurora. Nonrepresentational painter and printmaker. Member of Chicago Artists' Coalition, Batavia Artists Guild, Mid America Print Council. Served residency at the Ragdale Foundation in Lake Forest in 2007. Represented by Causations Gallery in Chicago and appeared in “Art in America” in 2004. Has participated in numerous exhibits including the Norris Gallery and Orleans Street Gallery in St. Charles, University of Illinois in Chicago, Bloomingdale Museum and Illinois Institute of Art. Has work in private and corporate collections.

## Tom Lynch Workshop – Three Full Days

There is an error in the Spring Schedule. Tom Lynch's Watercolor Workshop on June 30, July 1 and 2 is actually three full days from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. instead of the afternoon hours that are listed. Take this opportunity to learn from a nationally-known talent with a host of published books and videos. Learn how to create watercolors that are full of life and vitality, and enjoy the camaraderie of other local artists. Sign up now!

## Can You Help?

by John Cather, email chairman

The art league received an e-mail message from Brittney Lanigan inquiring about a painting that was exhibited in one of our shows many years ago. It was described as a whimsical painting, in bright colors, of a full-figured smiling woman wearing a dress and bending over watering flowers in her garden with a watering can. Would anyone who remembers this painting and knows who the artist is please let me know by phone (630.469.7620) or by e-mail (catherart@yahoo.com) or by leaving a note in my mail drawer in the back room at the gallery? Thank you.

## Upcoming Competitions & Juried Contests

### 32nd Annual Downtown Downers Grove Fine Arts Festival

Sept 13-14, 2008 • Downers Grove, IL

Postmark Deadline: April 14, 2008

www.downtowndg.org

### Mayslake Peabody Estate Fine Art Fair

Jul 26-27, 2008 • Oak Brook, IL

Sponsored by the Alliance of Fine Art

Postmark Deadline: April 15, 2008 – submit slides or digital images

Contact Nancy D'Agostino ndagostino@aol.com

### 23rd Annual Ethnic Arts Festival

July 19 & 20, 2008 • Dawes Park in Evanston, Illinois

Application Deadline: April 18, 2008

847.448.8260, ext. 106

www.cityofevanston.org/arts

### 23rd Annual Conservatory Art Classic – Bosque Conservatory Art Council

Sept. 20-28, 2008 • Clifton, Texas

Slide or Digital Image Deadline: June 14, 2008

www.bosqueconservatory.com

e-mail contact: art@bosqueconservatory.com

### New Jersey Equine Artists' Association – “Art of the Horse”

Sept. 14-Oct. 25, 2008 • Bedminster, NJ (Equine Themes – Any Medium)

Slide Deadline: July 1, 2008

Please check the bulletin board in the coffee room for more details on the above juried shows. The metal bins, located next to the refrigerator in the back room, contain brochures on schools and workshops, newsletters and art magazines, and shows whose entry deadlines have passed. Take a look!

## Historian Needs Help!

by Suzanne Poursine Massion, Historian

Does anyone out there have photos from the annual meeting held June 10, 2007 at Carol Kincaid's home? I have just about finished the history album covering last year but have nothing from this event. If you attended and took photos and can spare some for posterity, please leave them in the metal cabinet with all the drawers in back, opposite the teachers' wall. There is a drawer marked “Historian – Suzanne Massion.” That's the one.

Please, please, please identify the people in your photos with a post-it note or carefully write in pencil on the back of the photo. This really helps when I put together the captions. I have plenty of images and newspaper articles from our “50th Anniversary Open House,” “Paint DuPage,” our float in the 4th of July parade, and “Yuletide Treasures.” If you have anything else featuring our league or an artist member, I will take a look and fit them into the album. Thank you all in advance for any contributions.

## Box Tops for Education

Yvonne Thompson 1-630-966-9616

I know that many of you have children and grandchildren who probably save these for their schools, but if anyone doesn't, could you please save them for my son's school, Holy Angels? There is a small container on the notice board in the coffee pot area marked "Box Tops for Xavier." Please cut them out and pop them in the box. You'll find them on Kleenex, Betty Crocker, Zip-lock, cereal packaging and many more (there is a full list with the container). Saving these help to provide books and computers for his school. Thank you!

## Front Desk News

by Berny Malovany

New members are given Activity and Membership booklets at time of sign-up, along with the latest newsletters. So, make sure you have yours if you are a new member. Membership cards and other future literature are mailed.

We are still thinking of updating the flooring in both galleries and classrooms. We're trying to stay within our budget, so if there are any suggestions regarding this project, please put them in the suggestion box. Needless to say the board will be discussing this project and any help will be appreciated.

A sincere thank you to the party who left a very nice office chair for our use. Since I had already purchased matching chairs of similar size, we will use the donated chair in our upstairs office where several of our members work on DPAL business from time to time. We appreciate the donation!

Due to constantly changing life-styles of our active members, we still can use regular and substitute help at the front desk. If you'd like to meet fellow members, this is a good way to do it. If you can spare some time, please call John Cather at 630.469.7360.

## From the Library

by Barbara Grabowski, Library Volunteer

Do you wish you could get away for a little vacation, but can't? You need only jaunt upstairs to the library to visit some of the great art museums of the world. There is a library section called "Museum Collections" where you can browse through collections in the Louvre, Hermitage, Courtauld, and Metropolitan Museums. London's National Gallery, the Prado, Smithsonian, Versailles, and the White House may also help you escape. When you find your favorite artist, you then may look for a biography or collected works of theirs in the biography section. Enjoy your little get-away and return inspired!

## Addison Art Guild Workshops

Addison Art Guild is offering an oil pastel workshop with Jan Dunteman on April 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan has won numerous awards for her work. The workshop involves creating a landscape with emphasis on color. Contact Annette Leiber at 630.250.9407 to register.

## Board Notes

- Penny Linneweh reported that total income is about 27% ahead of last year. Membership and enrollment in classes is up as well as artist sales.
- There have been three articles in the newspaper about DPAL. Did you see them?
- Doris Bettin reported that 50 people attended our last meeting. The next meeting on the third Monday of the month is on art therapy.
- We are in need of someone to be in charge of calling artists and arranging for them to show their work at the Leslie Car Wash. If you are interested, please call Doris Bettin at 630.469.5894.
- Two office chairs were purchased by Berny Malovany and have been put to use. The people at the front desk thank you.
- We are in need of a coordinator for the artist receptions. If you would like this job, or just want to help, please call Jan Dunteman.
- Bill Utterback did a bronze bust of Pate Phillip and will show it in the DPAL window after April. Look for it.
- The board is considering being a part of the Wheaton 150th birthday celebration by having a "Paint Wheaton" or something similar. There will be more investigation into this event.
- Kay and Dale will be reorganizing and changing the shelving area where the students materials are kept. Look for improvements.
- DPAL is sponsoring, for this year only, eight artists who were previous Gallery II winners to be our representatives at the Alliance of Fine Arts "Best of the Best" show in Oak Brook which opens March 18, with a reception on March 20, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and closes May 18. Show address is: Mayslake Peabody Estate, 1717 W. 31st Street, Oak Brook, IL.
- If any changes need to be made to the membership or activities book please call Vicki Hollingsworth before July 1, 2008.
- The slate of new officers is complete. Tanya Berley has agreed to run for the position of President. Please note new slate of officers in this newsletter. Voting for officers will be the third Monday of April at the general meeting.
- The last newsletter was run off on our own printer by Kay Wahlgren. However, the machine did not do well with half tones and pictures. We will try again for the next newsletter and make some changes to see if it can be improved. Using our own printer to run off the newsletter would be a huge cost savings, but only if it does good quality work.
- Some regular teachers at the DPAL are taking the summer off and new "fill in" teachers are teaching classes this summer. Don't forget to sign up for the Tom Lynch workshop. There are other workshops too...take a look!

## Art Chuckles

by Suzanne Poursine Massion

More lighthearted humor from funny man and artist, Jim Lane. Does any of the following resonate with my colleagues out there focused on creating the masterpiece of the 21st century?

- If you've ever rinsed your watercolor brush in your coffee...you *might* be an artist.
- If you didn't realize it until you noticed the taste...you *might* be an artist.
- If you thought it improved the taste...you *might* be an artist.
- If you thought it improved the painting...you *might* be an artist.
- If you've ever drunk the rinse water instead of the coffee...you *might* be an artist.

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www.dupageartleague.org  
This newsletter, archives and class schedules are downloadable in PDF file format at this site.

## Newsletter email:

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## Monthly Meetings

Our monthly meetings are on the **third Monday of each month (from September through April). Social hour is 7 p.m. and programs start at 7:30 p.m.** Mark your calendars and come!

## Exhibitions, Awards & Accomplishments

- **John Cather** received an Honorable Mention award for his watercolor painting, "Loons" in the 28th annual "Trees" exhibit at the Elk Grove Village Library. The show is sponsored by the Artists' Association of Elk Grove Village and will be on display through April 25.
- **Wayne Atkinson** received an Honorable Mention award for his watercolor painting "Otono Arboles" and **Annette Perone Leiber** for her acrylic painting "St. Germaine Shoreline."
- **Donna Janec Karambelas** was awarded First Place in Pond Ripples Magazine's National 2008 Art Contest.
- **Shirley Ann Jorns'** painting, "Hiding," was accepted into the 2007 Paint the Parks Mini50, and another painting, "Afternoon Lighthouse," has been accepted into the 2007 Paint America Top100. Both paintings are in the traveling exhibits and can be viewed on their website at [www.paintamerica.org](http://www.paintamerica.org).
- Two of **Angelo Campagnolo's** paintings were selected for The Norris Gallery Watercolor '08 Show from March 8-April 19. Angelo will also show two paintings in the Best of the Best Show at Mayslake. He also did a one-man show in Gallery II at DPAL in February and had 10 paintings exhibited at Edwards Hospital in Naperville from October '07 through January '08.
- **Annette Perone Leiber** received a "Special Recognition Award" in the "It's Only Paper" show at Norris Gallery, an Award of Excellence at the Elk Grove Centre '07 Exhibit, had work accepted in the juried "Watercolor '08" at the Norris Gallery in St. Charles running through April 19. Annette also has work in the Best of the Best Show at Mayslake.

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