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## NEWSLETTER

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### DPAL Newsletter

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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.

*When I was a child, my mother said to me, 'If you become a soldier, you will become a general. If you become a monk, then you will end up as Pope.' Instead, I became a painter, and wound up as Picasso.*

—Pablo Picasso

## President's Letter

Dear Members,

The new flooring has been installed in Gallery I, II and Collector's Corner. We hope to get many years of service from it and were pleased to have the work done by a Wheaton business so we could support the local economy as well. Our final choice came in under budget which allowed us to afford much needed repairs to the roof, especially important with all the rain we've had this spring. That we were able to accomplish it all was due to a generous bequest from Vivian Chevillon's estate. We've been the fortunate recipient of generous donations in the past as well, which allowed us to expand our classrooms and storage.

On a grander scale of new things, the Art Institute has opened it's new wing and we would like to plan a trip with a guided tour of their modern and contemporary art. The cost will be \$23 for adults and includes admission and the tour. The date is Sunday, August 2. Friends and relatives are invited. Call me at 630.844.1928 for more information and to make a reservation. I will need to have a minimum of 15 people sign up to qualify for the group rate. More details will be arranged once we have enough attendees.

Finally, we wish our outgoing Board members, Vicki Hollingsworth, Dale Dunteman, Penny Linneweh and Doris Bettin all the best and thank them for a job well done. And a warm welcome to our new Board members, Kandi Husarik, Margaret Bucholz, Ed Massart and Julie Luedtke. I look forward to working with them all.

*"Everyone is a genius at least once a year; a real genius has his ideas closer together."*

— G.C. Lichtenberg

See you in class,

*Tanya Berley*



## May Award Winners... "What's Cooking...What's Shaking"

### Best of Show

Robert Pennor, "Making Coffee," Acrylic

### Theme Awards

Kandi Husarik, "Cookin' in Kandi's Kitchen," Watercolor

### Special Merit Awards

Bill Baykan, "What's Cooking?," Watercolor  
Sarah Ettinger, "Bubble, Bubble, Toil and Trouble," Acrylic  
Mary Kent Goebel, "Cook Up Something Hot," Oil

### Merit Awards

Stephanie Boesso, "Glazed Apple," Oil  
Marge Couden, "Squash Still Life," Ceramic  
Len Fumarolo, "Dinner Party at 8," Mixed Media  
Joan Kalmanek, "Veggie Still Life," Photo  
Kirk Kerndl, "Fried Egg," Oil  
Robert Koch, "Pitcher, Carrots, Apple," Oil  
Dee Leppin, "Lucious Limes," Oil  
Suzanne Massion, "The Health Nut Treat," Oil  
Nancy Nichols, "Color of Pears," Watercolor  
Bruce Peterson, "Colonial Kitchen," Mixed Media  
Nancy Tate, "Soup's On," Acrylic on Wood  
Pat Young, "Kitchen Aromas," Watercolor

### Judge

Debbie Venezia, Glen Ellyn. Executive Director of Naperville Fine Art Center and Gallery, home of the Naperville Art League. Chairman of the Riverwalk Fine Art Fair in Naperville. BA degree in fashion design. Patron of the arts in Chicagoland. Founder of the After Hours Film Society. Venezia family are known as the Medicis of the 21st century.



"Making Coffee" by Robert Pennor

## Exhibitions, Awards & Accomplishments

- **Robert Koch** has four watercolors in Watercolor 08, The Norris Gallery (St. Charles), the Watercolor Missouri National 2009 (Fulton, Missouri), the 2009 16th Annual National Juried Watermedia Exhibition (Moorhead, Minnesota), and the Louisiana Watercolor Society's 39th Annual Exhibition. He also exhibited in the Elmhurst Artists Guild Spring Member Show and received a second place ribbon.

## Help Wanted with Class Schedule

One of the most important publications put out by the art league is the class schedule. The vast majority of our income comes from classes, and our classes are known throughout the area as being the best.

The Education Team is looking for someone to help with the schedule and ultimately take the lead with the production. The schedule is currently a Microsoft Word application, but there is no reason it couldn't be in some other application software. The job would be easiest for someone with a graphic arts background, but someone who is knowledgeable about Word could do it as well.

The schedule is produced four times a year with a possibility of going to a three time a year schedule. The process is pretty systematic.

There is no job at the league that is more important...and the advantage of this one is that it's done at home on your own time. It's even emailed to the printer and the printer delivers it to the league. How simple is that!

If you would like more information about what is involved, please call or email Sally Hines at 630.579.1788 or email [sallyhines@comcast.net](mailto:sallyhines@comcast.net). This is a great job for the right person, and you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you are contributing to the art league in a major way.

## Art Expo

July 10 to 12 is the Third Annual Learning and Product Art Expo at Hickory Ridge Marriott Conference Hotel in Lisle. Expo includes classes, demos, samples, discounts and ideas! Register now at [www.learningproductexpo.com](http://www.learningproductexpo.com) or call 847.380.9031.

## Upcoming Competitions & Juried Contests

**24th Annual Conservatory Art Classic**  
Sponsored by the Bosque Conservatory Art Council  
Sept. 12-27, 2009 – Clifton, Texas  
Realistic and representational art only.  
Slide and digital entry deadline: June 13, 2009

**“What’s the Big Idea” 7th Annual Juried  
Exhibition of Art at the Northbrook Public Library**  
Nov. 6-Dec. 3, 2009 – NPL, Northbrook, Illinois  
Postmark and online entry deadline: June 26, 2009  
E-mail contact: artshow@northbrook.info

**89th Annual National Watercolor Society Exhibition**  
Oct.10 – Dec. 20, 2009 • Brea, California  
35mm slide or digital file submissions accepted  
e-mail contact Al Setton – asetton64@gmail.com  
www.nationalwatercolorssociety.com  
Entry deadline: June 27, 2009

**Clay3 – National Juried Ceramics Exhibition**  
Oct. 23-Nov. 21, 2009 – ClaySpace Ceramic Arts Studio  
Function and sculptural ceramic art must fit within one cubic  
foot (12”x12”x12”) – Visit www.clayspace.net for details.  
Entry deadline: August 1, 2009

**2009 National Juried Ceramics Exhibitions**  
October 24 – November 21, 2009 – Warrenville , Illinois  
Submission deadline: August 1, 2009  
Digital submissions only. *Presented by ClaySpace Ceramics Arts Studio*

## FYI...

**Attention teachers, students and fellow members** – Please use the HP printer on the desk by the window, in the office above the reception desk, for one to nine copies. We have an ample supply of ink for that copy machine. Replacement ink cartridges are in the right hand drawer below that copy machine. If you need to make more than nine copies, please use the large copy machine in the back by the kitchen. We get an ink supply included with the maintenance agreement for the large machine.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Berny Malovany

## Board Notes

- New board members and board members leaving held a joint board meeting in May.
- The tech committee is trying to establish on-line class registration and would like to have teacher’s samples active on the site to help prospective students select a class. Check our web site in the future for this addition which is being developed.
- DPAL had several community outreach activities in 2008-09 which included: 1) Tours of the DPAL galleries; 2) High school art contest; 3) Sponsored a free “Kids Drop-In” for ages 5 to 14 in conjunction with the Wheaton Fine Arts Festival; 4) Awarded a \$200 scholarship to a College of Dupage student; 5) Granted five requests from not-for-profit schools for original artwork to be sold at their fundraisers; 6) awarded 13 financial need scholarships.
- A new floor will be installed during the week of May 25-28. The DPAL will be closed Mon, Tue. and Wed. for this renovation. Some make-up art classes will be on Thursday. Listen to the phone “calling post” for days and times to pick up and drop off work for the next Gallery 1 show. However, if artists want to pick up their work Sat. before closing for renovations they may do so. Registration for classes can be done on Friday, May 29 and Saturday, May 30.
- Two new book shelves will be ordered to accommodate more books in our library. You can sign out any book at the front desk and return them to the front desk.

## Collectors Corner

Yvonne Thompson • 630.966.9616  
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I am the first one to admit it is hard to tear yourself away from the garden at this time of the year. With all this rain (am I back in England?), I swear I can hear the grass and weeds growing! But maybe you can take some time out during a rainy day to bring in some **framed artwork** for Collectors’ Corner. Our stock is running low.

Let me refresh your memories to the guidelines. Nothing larger than 11” x 14”, or over \$175. Nothing out of season or sawtooth hangers. Leave your artwork in the Collectors’ Corner back room with your completed **yellow** inventory sheet on top (sign the disclaimer). Don’ t forget your price and code stickers which should be placed on lower right side of glass and a Collectors’ Corner media label on the back. You may have no more than six framed pieces entered into Collectors’ Corner. Consult your Activity Schedule, pages 15-17, for a full list of guidelines.

As usual, call or email me if you have questions. Thank you all!

## Volunteers Needed

Five volunteers are needed from the DuPage Art League to help set up AFA's Mayslake Art Fair on Saturday, July 25 at 7 a.m. The league can have a booth at this fair for no charge. Make a good fair happen, and volunteer your help! Teens have muscles too.

## Special Services Reminder

Gail Dragon • 630.933.8308

The league frequently gets inquiries about artwork. I receive requests for a variety of art-related needs. Keep in mind we have a reference album at the front desk for those who wish to be a part of this network. All members are eligible to be included in this directory.

I work as a liaison for the league. Once the customer has selected an artist, I contact the artist and give them the customer name and phone number. For the service, the league should receive a donation equal to 25% of the sale price.

## Newsletters

Our newsletter editor received several phone calls about the email listed in the newsletter item below that ran in April. We now have corrected the email address below.

Because of some decline in revenues and increase in expenses, we're looking at ways to reduce our costs without reducing service and are asking that you e-mail us at [staff@dupageartleague.org](mailto:staff@dupageartleague.org) so we can start assembling a list of members addresses. Our goal is to send the newsletter via e-mail to cut down on mailing costs and reduce the use of paper and postage. It costs \$12 a year for each member's mailing. We will not share your information with any other outside group and would appreciate your help.

## Upcoming Calendar

June 28	DPAL Annual Meeting
July 1-2	Pickup for <i>Plant It, Water It, Watch It Grow</i> Drop off for <i>My Country, My Home</i>
July 29-30	Pickup for <i>My Country, My Home</i> Drop off for <i>In The Mood</i>
August 26-27	Pickup for <i>In The Mood</i> Drop off for <i>As Different as Night and Day</i>

## What Are You Collecting?

### From Dee Leppin...

Like Tanya, most of the "wall" art I have collected is done by people I know, including friends and family. After her comments in the newsletter I counted the number of pieces I have on display in my home. Many are not very large (my house is not very large), but I have things in every room including my kitchen and baths! There are 28 pieces (done by people I know) by 26 different artists, of those 15 are by 14 art league acquaintances, three of whom are members of DuPage (Laura Lein-Svencner, Gordon France and Gary Wick). Although I now work in both pastel and oil, originally I painted exclusively in oil. So, initially I purchased mostly watercolors, since I didn't work in that medium. Now my collection has expanded to include collage, pastel, photography, acrylic and oil. Although I primarily paint the landscape (in a representational style), what I collect includes abstracts and still life paintings as well as traditional landscapes.

In addition, I do hang some of my own work – also work by people I don't know – some Japanese wood block prints, family silhouettes, a small metal sculpture, a ceramic piece and one made of weeds and seeds.

I have often said we artists are our own best customers. The most recent purchase I made was from an art league member last week! We have so much wonderful work available by so many talented artists...just wish we could find a way to convey that message to the general public. Unfortunately, many do not know the high quality of the items in art league galleries. Another problem we face is our "throw away" society who would prefer to buy a cheap print they can dispose of when they change their room's decor – how sad!

### From Marilyn Peretti...

Yes, I have enchanted my home with art that excites me! I have some of the cranes in watercolor by Janet Flynn of Wisconsin, a pastel by John Mix (DuPage/Wisconsin artist), a small oil by Thomas Trausch, "American Impressionist" from Woodstock, and a black/white photo of the Tetons, by William Lemke. Also, I have prints by Renoir (geraniums with kittens), O'Keeffe (Pelvis with the Distance), and the snowy La Pie by Monet, which I bought in Paris. Believe it or not, there is still room for plenty of my own too!

Maybe for the next newsletter, you can let us know what you are collecting!

## For Sale

Compressed Air Tank Air Brush Set – Works fine. About five years old. Make an offer (630.306.4964; 312-431-5078 work – Don Keplinger)

## New & Renewing Members to be Added to the Membership Roster!

**Arjmand, Rashda (ARJ)**  
1520 Treeline Ct.  
Naperville, IL 60565  
630.961.6193

**Back, Tom (BTT)**  
806 Saddlewood  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
630.469.4369

**Bryant, Lisa (BRY)**  
28w371 Rogers Avenue  
Warrenville, IL 60555  
630.202.6478

**Casper, Nancy (CAN)**  
927 Ontario Street  
Oak Park, IL 60302  
708.386.0626

**DeFalco, Geraldine (DEF)**  
247 Coventry Court  
Bloomington, IL 60108  
630.351.8264

**Guritz, Kimberley (GUK)**  
3126 Solitude Lane  
Aurora, IL 60502  
630.898.1576

**La Sure, Ruth A. (LAR)**  
1880 Somerset Dr./Unit 2-D  
Glendale Heights, IL 60139  
630.853.8285

**Ley, Aimee (LEY)**  
756 Prescott Drive #111  
Roselle, IL 60172  
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**Palomino, Maria (PMM)**  
1634 Sawyer  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
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**Payne, Deming L. (PAY)**  
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Hinsdale, IL 60172  
630.370.9430

**Serruto, Laura Herzog (SLL)**  
662 Prairie  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
630.858.8162

**Shorney, George (SHG)**  
160 W. Elm  
Wheaton, IL 60189  
630.665.2744

**Smith, Phoebe (SMP)**  
0 S 490 Summit Drive  
Winfield, IL 60190  
630.653.5747

**Taranto, Stefanie (TAT)**  
0 N 742 Pleasant Hill Rd.  
Wheaton, IL 60187  
630.588.0452

**Tompkins, Ann (TNN)**  
350 Grandview Avenue  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137  
630.790.0642

White, Patricia M. (WHP)  
160 W. Montana  
Glendame Heights, IL 60139  
630.260.1412

### Corrections to be made for the following members:

H. Dunteman – should read **Dale Dunteman**

If there are any other updates or corrections that need to be made to our membership roster, please contact Julie Luedtke, VP Membership, at 630.517.8687. Thank you.

## From the Library

As you transition into your leisurely (Ha!) summer mode, take time to sit on your porch or patio and enjoy a book from the League Library. Maybe it will reinforce something you're learning in your summer class or inspire you for future artistic endeavors.

Recent titles added to the library include...

*Creating Radiant Flowers in Colored Pencil.* Greene. (Drawing)

*Creating Textures in Pen and Ink with Watercolor.* Nice. (Drawing)

*Basic Colored Pencil Techniques.* Borgeson. (Drawing)

*Putting People in Your Paintings.* Draper. (Painting)

*Painting Boats and Harbors.* Ballinger. (Painting)

*Paint; a Manual of Pictorial Thought.* Camp. (Painting)

*Glorious Garden Flowers.* Harrison-Tustain. (Watercolor)

*New Spirit of Watercolor.* Ward. (Watercolor)

*Paper Pleasures.* Shannon. (Decorative Arts)

*Sculpture in Paper.* Roukes. (Decorative Arts)

Enjoy!

– Barbara Grabowski, Library Volunteer

## Visit our Web site:

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

## Newsletter email:

vlorimer@yahoo.com

## 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!



## Young People' Show

The Young People's Show will be opening soon – June 3-30. This annual event is open to all children and teens who have recently taken art classes at the DuPage Art League.

Our purpose is to provide the DuPage Art League's budding young artists with opportunities to advance their talent by entering their work in an exhibition.

The Young People's Show is a valuable incentive for our young people – encouraging an appreciation for the arts and reflecting the fine quality of talented students and art instruction at the DuPage Art League.

Drawings and paintings by students of instructors Marilyn Dwyer, Anne Fines and Charles Welch will be featured.

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