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NEWSLETTER

NOT-FOR-PROFIT SCHOOL & GALLERY—218 W FRONT STREET-WHEATON IL 60187
MAY 2014

Dear DPAL Members,

President's Letter

- The fiscal year ends April 30, and so I would like to share some of the HIGHLIGHTS of 2013-2014
- **Activities:** Attendance at the 7 Monday night programs averaged 32. VP Stephanie Dalton brought in a variety of artists who presented techniques from oil stick to watercolor pouring. A committee is currently working to restructure "Community Exhibits."
- **Building and Grounds:** Dan Danielson did snow removal this year. (Glad he didn't know how big a job it would be). VP Jim Karczewski had the floor in the small classroom repaired. He also had the roof repaired and all the light fixtures updated, a major accomplishment!
- **Education:** Enrollment in classes remained strong, and VP Tanya Berley added several new teachers and new classes. The summer class schedule is anticipated by the first week in May, and more workshops will be planned for next year.
- **Exhibits:** Gallery 1 shows averaged 80 to 86 entries. VP Kay Wahlgren and team Marge, Laura, and Dee hung approximately 830 paintings. There were wonderful exhibits in Gallery 2, including the Gail Dragon Memorial Exhibit and Reception.
- **Finance:** The Finance committee oversees fund raising, donations, scholarships and community outreach activities which includes but is not limited to gallery tours and hands on activities. VP Carol Kincaid and her helpers provided tours and activities for 10 scout troops. (147 scouts and 36 mothers). Through session B of winter-spring 7 adult and 2 children's scholarships were approved. A \$200 scholarship was awarded to a College of DuPage student. Fifteen requests for donations of original art work were filled for other non-profit fundraisers. We received donations for teen scholarships, the purchase of a camera and projection system, and supplies for hands on activities.
- **Membership:** As of April we are 442 members strong. VP Tammy Procter reminds all that half year memberships are still available for \$25. Hoping to top 450 members!
- **Office Management:** VP Yvonne Thompson has 11 permanent staffers and 5 subs. Printing costs have been greatly reduced by in house printing of many items. VP Thompson continues to supply pop, coffee, water, tea at rock bottom prices. Many members have donated paper towels, soap, toilet tissue, cups, wrapping tissue, etc.
- **Publicity and Promotions:** VP Sally Hines works closely with the Downtown Wheaton Assn. DPAL participated in the Wine and Cultural Art Festival, The league has been featured in the Suburban Life Newspaper and the SL magazine. With design by Charles Welch, Sally ran 5 ads in the Daily Herald and one in the Suburban Life promoting children's classes. DPAL is listed in the Wheaton Chamber of Commerce Directory. VP Hines is overseeing a collaborative project with Clare Woods Academy and is also looking for volunteers for a social committee.
- **Thanks** to the grant from member Dorothy Mellin through her discretionary funds from the Richard H. Driehaus Foundation, we have retained our business manager Yvonne Thompson to keep the business of the League running efficiently
- Many, many thanks to the wonderful volunteers, supporters, and teachers who help DPAL continue to excel in fulfilling its mission.

Diana Mitchell, DPAL President

DPAL Board 2014-2014

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DPAL Newsletter

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Newsletter articles are due by the 15th of the month.

Typed pieces are preferred via e-mail as word documents or put in the Newsletter drawer at the league. Please put submissions on **FULL** pieces of paper so they don't get lost! Thanks.

Robert Koch has paintings accepted in:

- Illinois Watercolor Society 30th National Exhibition, Next Picture Show Gallery, Dixon IL May 6-30
- Louisiana Watercolor Society's 44th Annual International Exhibition, Garden District Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- Transparent Watercolor Society of America 38th Annual National Exhibition, Kenosha Public Museum, Kenosha, WI. May 10-Aug 10
- Norris Gallery, Dellora A. Norris Cultural Arts Center, St. Charles, IL. His painting "You've Got Mail" received an Award of Excellence.

Bloomingtondale Park District Museum

- May 10 to June 7 at 108 S. Bloomingtondale Rd. In Gallery I, Members Spring Show featuring a diversity of artistic mediums, and Annual Auction to benefit the BAA Scholarship Fund
- In Gallery II, the fotoMuses, a talented group of photographic artists with unique styles
- Exhibit schedule: Wednesdays 4 to 8 pm, Thursday/Fridays 10am to 4pm, Saturdays noon to 4pm.
- Complimentary reception on Sunday, May 18, from 2 to 4pm.

Thanks for your continued support,
Helen Price, Bloomingtondale Artists Assoc. 630-980-6585

BOARD NOTES 4-10-14

Our financial picture is solid with gallery sales up for the year and classes a little lower probably because of the wicked winter weather.

New procedures have been developed for handling petty cash.

Nancy Anderson reported on the Alliance for Fine Arts, an organization made up of all the art leagues in the suburban area. The big Best of the Best Show where each art league is represented is to be held at the Burning Bush Gallery in Wheaton from May 16 to June 8. Each organization has 5 spots, a slightly smaller number than usual because of the size of the space.

There is mold on the front awning which needs to be cleaned and we need to do some touch up painting on the front of the building.

We've been getting great comments on the improved lighting throughout the gallery, the classrooms and the upstairs conference room. Colors look truer and it's a whole lot brighter.

While some teachers are cutting back for the summer many are handling full schedules. Our newest teachers Dan Danielson, Carol Zack and Shawn Sargent will be here. Tanya Berley is interviewing some new teachers as well.

Art in the Park will be back for the summer. This class is a perennial favorite for the kids.

The Downtown Wheaton Association has asked us to hang the kids Easter pictures in the window again. It brings lots of new viewers to the front sidewalk and hopefully inside to look around.

Yvonne reported that we raised \$100 on the sale of art supplies and received a check for \$200 from a local company that donates to non-profits.

FRIDAY MORNING PLEIN-AIRE PAINTERS

If you are interested in joining the Plein Aire Painters, check the information book at the front desk of the DPAL containing the schedule, driving directions and a map of the locations. Or contact Mary Kent Goebel, thosgoebel@sbcglobal.net or 630-782-9577.

No sign-up required; come at your own discretion.
No instructions provided.

Education News Tanya Berley—

There will be some exciting new/newer teachers and classes offered this summer:

- Penplay with **Terry Balke** on Monday morning
- Colored Pencil with **Peggy McGahan** on Tuesday mornings, returning from last summer
- Oil painting on Tuesday afternoons –Fur & Feathers with **Sharon Guest**
- Portrait drawing on Wednesday mornings with **Mary George**
- Collage on Wednesday afternoons and evenings with **Shawn Sargent**
- Oil Pastels on Thursday mornings and soft pastels on Friday afternoons with **Carol Zack**
- Watercolor on Friday mornings with **Carmelo Schifano**
- A sculpture class offered offsite in Warrenville with **Rick Clubb** in July & August

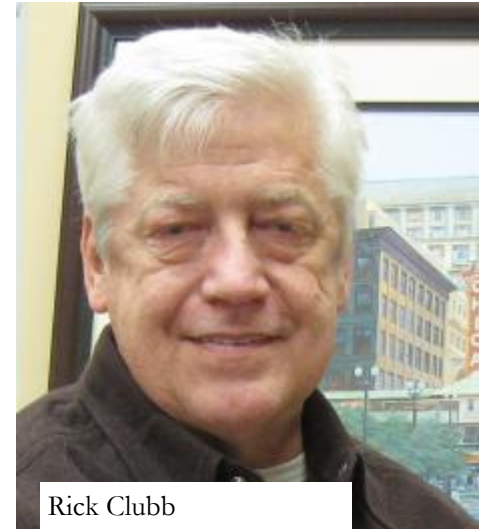
Returning will be **Ellen Rottsolk** with pastels on Wednesday, **Marge Hall** with Oils on Mondays and Tuesdays, **Dan Danielson** with watercolors on Wednesday mornings, **Robert Pennor** with Oil & Pastel landscapes on Thursday afternoons, **Anne Fines** with drawing and Acrylics on several days, Watercolor with **Kay Wahlgren** on Monday morning

Our teachers have so much talent to share with you, try out something new for our shorter 4 week classes or return to your favorites

Check the schedule on line and available at the front desk the first week of May.

Tanya Berley-VP Education

If you have suggestions for classes or workshops leave me a message. 630-844-1928.



Rick Clubb



Mary George

Lawrence Golla will be showing his photographs with the Morton Arboretum Photographic Society (MAPS) at the 3rd Annual Nature Photography Exhibit. The exhibit will occur on Saturday, May 3rd & Sunday, May 4th from 10:00am-4:00pm both days. The exhibit is located at the Visitor Center Sycamore Room



Sharon Guest



Carmelo Schifano

SPRINGTIME IN THE GIFT SHOP

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As we are finally seeing Spring make a very welcome appearance, this is a reminder that it is time to change out any framed or Portfolio work that has been in the gift shop since the beginning of the year. Our customers do notice when new stock comes in and that will often it will mean a sale for you!

Remember to check and see if you have barcodes in the TWO barcode ring binders in the back room. (Yes, we now have so many exhibitors that one could hold all of them!). If you need barcodes printed, please call or email me.....**and give me 7 days at least to print them and get them to the League.** Believe it or not I am NOT there every day! :o)

THANK YOU'S FROM THE BACK ROOM

Yvonne Thompson - VP Office Management

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A special "Thank you" to all the generous members who have dropped supplies off at DPAL! You really do make a BIG difference and help keep our costs down. We can always make use of Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels and cases of bottled water. If you have some to spare, we'd love you to share!

Bloomington Artists Association, 2nd Annual Art Exhibit and Sale, featuring the works of members of the through May 30, 2014.

Location: Bloomington Chamber of Commerce, 108 W. Lake Street. Exhibit Schedule: Monday through Thursday, 9am to 2pm. . Contact Jane Hove (630-980-9082) or Bev Petrosius (630-624-9545) for more info. The public is invited to attend an Artists Reception on March 13 from 6pm to 8pm

Upcoming Calendar**Exhibits:****Gallery I****MAY "FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD"**

Entry: April 30 & May 1, Pick-up : May 28/29

Picnics, chocolate, garden produce, a glass of wine, even a dog with a bone are glorious food for inspirations and subject matter.

JUNE: "SKY MOOD"

Entry: May 28/29, Pick-up—June 25/26

DPAL—CONSTANT CONTACT

Do you know the Constant Contact mailing program.? DPAL needs someone who can act as a backup for keeping the addresses up-to-date and to send out mailings as needed.

Please contact dpalnewsletter@gmail.com**May's Judge, Connie Devendorf**

Connie received her fine arts education at The University of the Arts in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and currently teaches Botanical Illustration at The Morton Arboretum in Lisle, Illinois.

As a professional decorative artist ,Connie has providing creative artistic services to interior designers, builders and homeowners for over twenty years. In 1992 she started "Expert Faux Finishes and Murals" to help her clients create beautiful, unique spaces with faux techniques, hand painted murals, and cutting edge textural products.

She has juried and judged numerous art events over the past 7 years including:

- The Naperville Women's Club Fine Arts Fair
- Dupage Art League
- Batavia's Art in Your Eye Festival
- Yellow House Artist Show

For additional information:

<http://www.expertfauxfinish.com/>

GALLERY I—APRIL AWARDS MACRO/ MICRO

Best of Show: Jan Neal, Eyes For You, acrylic/
graphite

Theme Award: Pam Hamilton, Painted Lady, pastels

Special Merit Awards:

Peter J. Grass, Deck Five, photography

Sue Dix, Macro, clay/horsehair

Dennis Franzen, Glass, Digital painting

Merit Awards

Valerie Lorimer, Closer Look, ink

Pat Tuglus, That Nasty Flu Bug, mixed media

Susan Young, Praying Mantis – Macro, photography

Terry Musclow, Red Dabble, mix

Judith MacLeod, Rooted, acrylic

Linn Eldred, Peony, acrylic

Joan Kalmanek, Sunset 35000 Feet, photography

Nancy Tait, Walking Stick w/a Walking Stick, paper
mache

Dee Leppin, View From Olana, pastel

Peter Young, Dahlia, photography

Roberta Sieber, Butterfly Shadow, oil pastel



Jan Neal



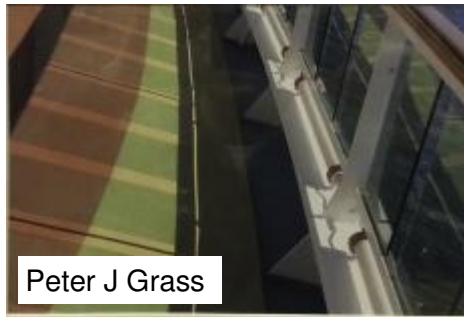
Sue Dix



Pam Hamilton



Dennis Franzen



Peter J Grass

INTERESTED IN EXHIBITING YOUR WORK OFFSITE

as part of the DPAL Community Exhibits Program; exhibiting at local businesses and institutional sites. This is a great opportunity for additional exposure, potential sales and Community Outreach.

**If interested contact Darren at
PAINTINGSBYDARREN@GMAIL.COM.**

(Darren is a DPAL member who has generously agreed to compile the replies for us).

If there is enough interest the program will be updated and details will be shared with those who want to participate.

Valerie Lorimer received a Merit Award for her piece, "The Luck Keeper," in the Naperville Art League's Luck Be A Lady exhibit.

Dee Leppin will have her paintings in a joint exhibit with Corrie Taneling at the Narrow Gallery located in the Oak Park Arms, 408 S. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park (708) 386-4040. There will be an opening wine and cheese reception on Sunday, June 1st 2-4 pm, The show will run through August 9th

May 14, Photo Composition presented **by Fred Drury**. At the Bloomingdale Park District Museum, 108 S Bloomingdale Rd. 6:45 pm

Attendees are encouraged to bring their digital cameras and take notes. Fred's passion is making images of the natural world, including underwater photography. Fred is a member of the faculty at the College of DuPage, a staff lecturer in the Natural History Education Department at The Morton Arboretum, and also teaches at the DuPage Art League, all of which are located in Chicago's western suburbs.

Volunteer

The DuPage Art League is always looking for volunteers. We are always looking for additional people to staff the front desk or help out in other capacities. Email staff@dupageartleague.org if you are interested in volunteering some time. Even if you only have an hour or two, you can make a difference today!

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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!



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