



# **DUPAGE ART LEAGUE**

## **NEWSLETTER**

### **SEPTEMBER 2017**



### **The Sky Is No Longer Falling, But ...**

The roof and its support system are fixed. The bricks have been securely tuck pointed. Our building has never been stronger or better appointed. Can I go home now?

At the risk of sounding like Henny Penny (Chicken Little), the DuPage Art League still needs to keep one eye on the sky and watch for things like an HVAC system that is showing its age. It probably won't fall on our heads, but it could stop cooling us any day now. And then there's that water heater and those few flickering light fixtures. And a couple computers that are older than dirt.

But unlike Chicken Little, we aren't in a panic. We just want to rebuild our contingency fund in an orderly fashion so the Board can sleep better at night. Confident that at least some of our wonderful members feel the same way, we are creating an easy way for you to show your appreciation for all that the Art League does.

Soon you will be getting a reminder about renewing your membership, and yes, at the same dues level we've had for some time now (\$50 for individuals and \$60 for families). But here's the exciting part. We are adding another dimension. Two new dimensions actually. For those who feel an urge to do a little something extra for the Art League and be recognized for your support, we are adding a "Sustaining Member" category at the \$100 level. Now I realize that many equally worthy organizations would add another zero to their sustaining member dues level, but we're not like them. We offer more for less. Our sustaining members get a bargain and our heartfelt thanks.

The other new dimension is for those who just had a rich uncle die and leave you a bundle. There will be a provision on your membership renewal form where you can make an additional donation in any amount you want. Ten dollars would be nice, but ten dollars to the third power is 100 times nicer. This is your chance to knock our socks off with a big donation. And since we are entirely volunteer-driven, you don't have to worry about those big bucks disappearing into someone's pension fund. But if we get enough big donations over the next few years to allow us to create an endowment fund, maybe I could go home. Wouldn't that be nice!

Dan Anderson, VP Finance

**PARKING PASSES:** STUDENT PASSES - VALID ONLY ON 200 BLOCK OF WEST FRONT ST., 1ST FLOOR OF PARKING GARAGE AND BANK PARKING LOT

# Yuletide Treasures

**YULETIDE TREASURES IS COMING!** Chris Chlapecka and Barb Denny

Now is the time to dust of the Holiday spirit and create some magic. Share your talent with the League! Anyone can participate, so invite your friends and relatives who enjoy doing pottery, woodworking, quilting, soap-making, fine artwork, jewelry, making ornaments, textiles, cards, or something new and exciting.

**Packets will be available September 1, 2017 at the Front Desk.**

**Drop off will start on Saturday, October 21 from 10 – 2pm. It will continue on October 23, 24, 25 from 9:30 – 5:00pm.**

**We are offering evening times that are by appointment only on Thursday, October 26 from 5-8pm. Call Chris Chlapecka at 630-790-4589 to make arrangements.**

The packet includes instructions, a bar code request form (due Oct. 13, 2017), a disclaimer form, and an inventory sheet. Yuletide Treasures is a great fundraiser for the League, a wonderful way to meet other League members, and a chance to show your art/craft skills. Join in the fun!

## **BOARD NOTES—8/10/17 SALLY HINES, SECRETARY**

- Kandi Husarik, DPAL Treasurer reported that while our contingency fund is lower than we'd like it to be as a result of all the building repairs, we're doing well otherwise.
- DPAL is now listed on MeetUp and has 100 followers. Several people have joined classes and workshops as a result. We are also listed as a gallery on the Dupage Arts website. Mary Dorrell and her Publicity team are continuing to focus on expanding our social media presence along with traditional publicity vehicles.
- Discussions have begun about Yuletide Treasures this year. Long time Chair Yvonne Thompson has handed the reins over to the Exhibit Chairs Chris Chlapecka and Barb Denny who have begun planning for the annual event. Kay Wahlgren encouraged everyone to make ornaments to sell this year.
- Jen Schwab, Co- VP Activities, announced that all the programs have been set up for next year.
- Dan Anderson, Finance VP is working on fundraising so that we can build up a fund to cover future building repairs as they come up.
- Chuck Showalter, VP Buildings & Grounds, reported that the tuck pointing fascia repair and new awning project is moving ahead and should be completed soon. Hopefully these will be the last repairs that need to be made for awhile.
- Rain Barrels painted by members of DPAL will be on display at Fox Valley Mall in Aurora this fall. The rain barrels will be auctioned off at a special event with the proceeds to go to the Conservation Foundation.

## A NEW CONCEPT.....JOIN TEAM DPAL!

Yvonne Thompson VP Membership 630-966-9616 dupage\_art\_leaguesbcglobal.net

Over the next few months I will be featuring one or two Board VP's a month. Along with a description of what they do, there will be the areas where they may need occasional help. The idea is for everyone to choose a team where you feel you could most comfortably fit in and help out. You may never be called on, but we want everyone to be part of a team in case a need arises.

No matter who is the featured VP of the month, you will still contact me with your questions.

To start the ball rolling, here is the Team I'm looking for!

If you would like to be on my team, please call or email me. You can also fill in the TEAM slip at the front desk.



### **TEAM: MEMBERSHIP (AND GIFT SHOP)**

Coach: Yvonne Thompson..aka Miss Busy Butt!

Team colors: Red with White lightning bolt!

Looking for a team with ANY of these qualities.  
Likes/Strengths

General Office work.  
Filing and photo copying.  
Computers, especially Excel and Word  
Doing things at your own speed.  
Calling Members.  
Helping organizing mini events.  
Putting mailing and membership packets together.  
Proof reading.  
Display.  
Cleaning.  
Supplying refreshments for Artisan Afternoons etc.

### **DONATIONS:**

With Yuletide Treasures fast approaching, donations of following items would be appreciated:

Bubble wrap  
Packing paper (suitable for wrapping pottery)  
White tissue wrapping paper  
Gift bag, all sizes (no logos or brand names, etc.)

### **FROM THE LIBRARY:**

Barbara Grabowski, Library Volunteer

We're pleased to report that 46 books were checked out from March through June. And many of you have taken time to peruse books in the Library area. So glad we moved the Library to the main floor!

Titles recently added:

Bullard. *Mary Cassatt; Oils and Pastels.* (Biography)  
*Chagall.* (French edition) (Biography)  
Eisner. *Graphic Storytelling.* (Cartooning)  
Hamm. *Drawing the Head and Figure.* (Drawing)  
Lohan. *The Drawing Handbook* (Drawing)  
Reid. *Flower Painting in Watercolor.* (Watercolor)  
Wheatley and Capon. *Adventurous Watercolors.* (Watercolor)  
Wiseman. *Watercolor Solutions.* (Watercolor)  
Wolf. *Keys to Painting Fruit & Flowers. (In all mediums)* (Painting)  
Woolwich. *The Art of Pastel Portraiture.* (Pastel)  
Enjoy!

**ACTIVITIES / COMMUNITY EXHIBITS**

**Sue Thomas & Jennifer Schwab**

It's that time of year to start up our Monday Nite Presentations. We have some exciting programs in store for all of you starting with one of our own teachers.

**Sept. 18, 2017 Robert Pennor 7:00 p.m. At the Annex**

Acrylic paint doesn't have to look plastic. Robert Pennor will paint a landscape and explain how to mix colors and paint wet on canvas. He will also demonstrate edge softening and talk about composition, atmospheric perspective, and warm colors versus cool. Don't miss this enlightening and inspiring presentation.

**Don't miss our rotating artists exhibits:**

**Aug. - Oct. 2017**

Kasia Szczesniewski - Carol's Garden Restaurant  
Carol Kincaid - Blick Art  
Robert Pennor - DuPage Foundation  
Marge Hall - Sushi Mono  
Ellen Rottsolk - Tasting DeVine  
Julie Skoda - Villa St. Benedict  
Kay Wahlgren and Khrystyna Kozyuk  
Wells Fargo Bank/ Barrington  
Kathie Chicoine - Wells Fargo/ Schaumburg

**Sept. - Oct. 2017**

Diana Mitchell - Wheaton Library

**Oct. 2017**

Tom Phelan - Carol Stream Library

**GALLERY 2**

The DuPage Art League is excited to host, "Plein Aire Captures Nature" during the month of September. These dedicated nature artists will be showing their work in Gallery 2 from Saturday, September 2 through Tuesday, September 26th.

A reception will be held on Sunday, September 10 from 2 - 4pm at the DuPage Art League, 218 Front Street, Wheaton. 630-653-7090.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**George C. Bruce** will be exhibiting his oil pastel abstracts and imaginative architectural imagery in 116 Gallery, 116 W. Main Street, St. Charles, Illinois. He will be paired with a Chicago artist. The two person exhibit will be August 11 to October 8 with the Exhibit Reception on Saturday, September 9 from 4 to 7 pm.

**Susan R. Wilson** was in the Glencoe Art Festival July 29/30 and took home an Outstanding Accomplishment Award for her Oil Stick paintings. The Director of the show commented on how her professional booth just "glowed"

**Marilyn Peretti** exhibited her acrylic, Afternoon of the Third Day, for the theme, "Enigma", at Burning Bush Gallery of Wheaton, in July. Her oil and cold wax, Did I Fly Here?, has been juried into the annual members' show at the Encaustic Art Institute in Santa Fe for the month of October.

**Living Well Cancer Center** is inviting artists to participate in the Morsels & Masterpieces Art Show on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Entrance fee is \$50; which give you and 8'X5' area. Artists keeps 100% of the proceeds from sale of your art. Application form available at DPAL. Questions: Lori Hansen, 630-315-6805.

**Danada House Art and Photo Show** is inviting artists to participate an art event in October in conjunction with the Forest Preserve's Fall Festival. Nature artists who are interested call 630-668-5392 for a prospectus. You may also check out the flyer on the bulletin board in the back room of the art league.

**2017-2018 BOARD MEMBERS & COMMITTEES**

President Kay Wahlgren  
Secretary: Sally Hines  
Treasurer: Kandice Husarik  
VP Activities & Community Exhibits  
Jennifer Schwab & Sue Thomas  
Nancy Morris: Community Exhibits  
VP Building/Grounds: Charles Showalter  
VP Education: Nancy Anderson  
VP Exhibits: Christine Chlapecka  
Barbara Denny  
VP Finance: Dan Anderson  
VP Membership; Yvonne Thompson  
VP Office Management: Ann Johnson  
VP Publicity/PR: Mary Dorrell  
President Emeritus: Diana Mitchell  
  
Yuletide Treasures: Chris Chlapecka/Barb Denny  
Newsletter Ann Johnson  
See back page of newsletter for submission information.

**AUGUST GALLERY 1 AWARDS**

**BEST OF SHOW**

Allen Tampa The Baker Oil

**BEST THEME**

Robert Koch Hay To Go Oil

**SPECIAL MERIT AWARDS**

Peter J. Grass Interchange/Inner Change Digital Photo

Bart Misantoni Enuf of Pablo Already Acrylic

Annette Perone Leiber Cracked Ice Mixed Media

**MERIT AWARDS**

Diana Nawrocki Go Arizona Textile

Tom Beck Ready to Study Oil

Khrystyna Krzyuk Floral Acrylic

Dale Olsen October Morn Oil

Sally Sharp She Let the Champagne Go To Her Head Oil/  
Cold wax

M. Kent Goebel Just Let It Go Oil

Kenneth Kloss Companions by Fountain Acrylic

Janet Pearson Strack Caught Off Guard watercolor

Linda M. Danner Letting Go of Daylight Photo

Lyn Tietz Chicago Skyline and Lighthouse Oil

Joan Settje Time Out Watercolor

June Padovani Finding Sleep Graphite



TAMPA



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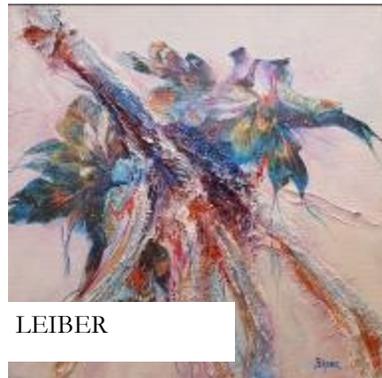
**GALLERY I NEWS**

Over one hundred members have exhibited their art in Gallery I this year! The theme for September is "My Favorite Things". So hum along with the Sound of Music and create a beautiful work of art. Remember that the artwork does not need to be theme related, but this month's theme is very open-ended.

SEPTEMBER: "MY FAVORITE THINGS"

Entry: Aug. 2-3 Pick-up: Sept. 27-28

The Exhibit Team is always looking for new members. If you would like to help hang the show or help in another way please contact Barb Denny by leaving your name at the front desk. Thank you!



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**GALLERY 2 SHOWS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

September Show: "Plein Aire Captures Nature"

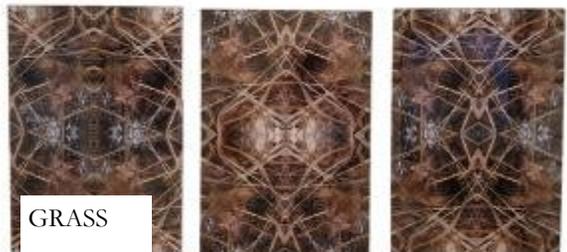
From: September 1 - September 28

Reception: Sunday, September 9, 2pm - 4pm

October Show: Cynthia Boudreau, Award Winning Fiber Artist

From: September 29 - October 25

Reception: Sunday, October 8, 2pm - 4pm.



GRASS

**THE DUPAGE ART LEAGUE HAS A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!**

**<https://www.facebook.com/dupageartleague/> <<https://www.facebook.com/dupageartleague/>>**

**(Click to go directly there.) > Check out our new page and please "\*Like\*".**

**NEWSLETTERS & EMAIL BLAST SUBMITTALS     [DPALNEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DPALNEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM)**

To submit email blasts information, newsletter articles, and/or receive newsletters and class schedules by email: - send your email address to PLEASE, ABSOLUTE MINIMUM FORMATTING. (word documents or jpg files) Please proof/verify your information.

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLES** may be dropped off at the league. (minimum formatting, please) (Deadline for NEWSLETTER Is always the 15th of month.) EMAIL BLAST SUBMITTALS; Please allow at least 48 hours notice and need to follow newsletter guidelines.

**DPAL WEBSITE   [WWW.DUPAGEARTLEAGUE.ORG](http://WWW.DUPAGEARTLEAGUE.ORG) (TYPE THIS IN THE SEARCH LINE. DO NOT GO THROUGH GOOGLE, AS GOOGLE WILL DIRECT YOU TO THE WRONG YEARS INFORMATION.)**

Class schedules, supply lists and additional information is downloadable in PDF file format at this site.

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