## NEWSLETTER

April 2019

—PO Box 1177—Tarpon Springs, FL 34688—E-mail: patsy.renz@verizon.net Meetings - First Monday of the Month at The Community Center. 400 S. Walton -1:30pm

#### **Executive Board:**

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Lynn Kopala - 940-4975 Florida Hospital North Pinellas

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#### President's Message by Trish Gregory

Dear TSSA members,

It's hard to believe that the last meeting of the year is coming up very soon, on April 1. This year has gone by so quickly, and with so many changes in my life. After my husband passed away in August, I sold my house, moved into a temporary condo, and then just this week moved into a leased condo. The hardest thing was

downsizing, actually twice, as I didn't estimate correctly the size of the new condo and thought I had more room than I actually do. I love the condo, it's a lovely location and a very homey place, but I have too much "stuff". So it is downsizing time again. I am reading a book now called "Let it Go" by Peter Walsh, and if any of you have to face this stressful event, it would be a good book to read before you actually have to do it.

I know this is more personal than a newsletter article should be, but it's on my mind and thought it might be something that some of you could use to your advantage in the future, or if you're facing this now.

For our final meeting of the year, as most of you know (but thought I'd better repeat for the benefit of our new members)... it is a "picnic". We've always called it that, and perhaps it started out that way, but what we do is everyone brings a dish to share and we have a nice lunch at the Heritage Center in Craig Park. Jana Withers is heading up the food part, so if you have questions, please contact her. We also have an art show with a judge and ribbons. There are no special categories, so bring whatever artwork you especially like that hasn't been shown before. There will be more information from Sherry Orr about it in another section of this newsletter, so please be sure to read it.



#### What a Great Year....Sherry Orr

Thanks to Lynn Pierson for her demonstration and workshop! So interesting to learn a new media.

Starting to think ahead to next year. If you would like to do a demonstration and/or workshop, or if you would suggest someone, please let me know.

#### Art on the Bayou (Tarpon Fine Arts Festival)

What a beautiful weekend! Special thanks to Judith Durling, Lora VanNoord, and Fritz Johnson for organizing this event. We had wonderful volunteers who worked hard all weekend. Thank you to Dave McCubbin, Patsy Renz, Martha Hickey, Ruth Smith, Debbie and Randy Hennessy, Jeanne Henderson, Joanmarie Fransischelli, Lora and Fred VanNoord, Trish Gregory, Maria Kainaros, Adam Albion, Lois Bajor, Janice and Pam Sparks, Carole Loiacono, Betty Molloy and friend, Mary Silvia, Raquel Egosi and Joe, Anita Mead, and Philip Krier.

Next on our schedule will be the annual lunch at the Heritage Museum on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Luncheon: Jana Withers has stepped up and offered to organize the luncheon. Please let her know if you will help set up and clean up. We will provide the paper goods and drinks. Members should bring a dish to share.

**Show:** All members can bring a piece to be judged. Ribbons will be awarded.

No Charge! I need about 4 people to register and set up art

The Tarpon Springs Paint and Photo en Plein Air Event will be April 2-12, 2019.

This will be our tenth year to host this event. It is great fun and an opportunity to showcase your work.

We are in need of your help. Please let me know if you will help.

Waiting to hear from you.

#### **VENUE NEWS:**

#### <u>Florida North Pinellas Hospital (Helen Ellis)</u> -Lynn Kopala-940-4975

.The hospital venue needs artists for the fall and winter. Each one person display of 9 works will be up for 8 to 9 weeks. Contact Lynn Kopala at lynnkopala@hotmail.com.

I still need a backup if TSAA is to keep this venue, per the hospital's policies.

(Editors note) You would think with over 100 artists in TSAA there would be one person who could help Lynn with this venue, even if you are a snowbird VOLUNTEER!!!

# <u>Performing Arts Center</u>: Heather Risley, Patsy Renz, Barbara Hodges –Exhibitors are Sherry Orr, Susan Duda, and Sue Thomas

We need a person to take over this active hanging site. Somebody please step up so we don't lose this venue.

Chamber of Commerce: Wendy Davis, Pat Morrison, Gail McConnell, and Susan Mayhew.

#### **Valley Bank:** Peter Semple.

**Heather Risley** is now showing at Valley National Bank.

#### **Tarpon Springs Library:** Gail McConnell -

**Janice Sparks** will show February and March. Please stop by and see the Art!

The Dunedin Fine Art Center's annual Student, Member, and Faculty Exhibit 2019 will have its opening reception on Friday March 29, from 6 to 8 PM. The show will stay up until May 19th.

Many of our members will have work in the show. Please plan to attend.

The First Friday people have asked for artists with easels to be on Tarpon Ave. for the April First Friday. That is on April 5 from 6 - 10pm. Unfortunately, that is the same night as the Paint & Photo reception so only those not involved with that event would be available. The theme of First Friday in April is "Art Walk." Please let me know if you are interested in this event.

Heather Risley

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:**



Janice Wojcik sold this painting.

Lynn Foskett Pierson has been juried into the annual SITA (Sunday in the Arts) event, a fundraiser for arts scholarships, by the Tampa organization, Las Damas de Arte. The reception is Sunday, April 7 at Scarfone Gallery, located at the University of Tampa campus.

Also: Thank you to the 6 participants in the Oil and Cold Wax Medium workshop held Friday, March 15 - it was a pleasure for me and, it seems, a good time was had by all. Taking part in the fun: Anneke Hulstein, Wendy Davis, Sherry Orr, Mary Silvia, Deb Thornsberry and Lynn Whitelaw. Thank you, also, to Duffy for setting up a terrific workspace.

**Stuart Harrison** won First Place in photography at the Brooker Creek Plein Air Paint and Photo 2019. He also sold the photograph.

**Shari Gaines** had the best sales to date at the Tarpon Springs Fine Art Festival on the Bayou.

### **Plein Air Painting - Site selection**

This is one of the most overlooked steps. Just because a scene is beautiful or interesting doesn't necessarily mean it will translate well into a painting. Because nature fills our subjects with resplendent color and light, it's easy to assume that any scene will become a beautiful painting. Unfortunately, this is not the case. The three-dimensional "reality" that we see at the actual location and the synthetic twodimensional reality of our painting are two different things. Nature always looks "right" because it's real and we see it in three dimensions. A painting, though, is a constructed illusion. For a painting on a flat picture plane to be "readable" and suggest depth, its shapes and colors must distinguish themselves from one another and the painting must incorporate as many spatial cues from the scene as possible.

#### **Tarpon Springs Fine Arts Festival**

I was happy to provide this one-time service to the TSAA members. There were only 30 paintings entered and that does not show a lot of enthusiasm by comparison to all the time and effort I, as organizer, and volunteers, put forth into bringing this show together for members. I believe this venue opportunity is underestimated by members in its value to us as artists in the greater Tarpon Springs area. Many people showed interest in our group at the show; possibly joining TSAA in the future. If this venue is to continue there needs to be a devoted team of artists willing to put out the effort to maintain it. There also needs to be created in writing a set of procedures which go along with how to assemble and put up the tent and walls; how many demo artists, and how long any one artist is allowed to demo, where they are allowed to set up, provide their own shade, etc. Making art is part of the artists journey; the display and selling our art is frosting on our cake. I hope the TSAA artists do not allow this opportunity to fade away. Sincerely, Judith Durling



Artist of the Month

Judy Moakler was chosen as the Artist of the Month for February with her pastel painting of "Tarpon Lake".

#### **Welcome New Members:**

Ellie Parker - Dayton, OH - 937-607-2223

#### **Welcome Returning Members:**

Lois Bajor - Tarpon Springs - 908-922-1456

**Lynn Pierson** did the demonstration for February. It was a cold wax process using oil, acrylics, mixed with wax. She applied a mixture of wax and paint on





We need drinks and munchies volunteers for our meetings, and a volunteer to take care of this for us.



Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life, and we need a volunteer for this also.

# TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION PO Box 1177

TARPON SPRINGS FLORIDA 34688

#### Our Mission...

...to promote interest and community awareness of all forms of visual art, to provide opportunities for individuals to associate with other artists, and to share in and learn from artistic knowledge and experiences.

Application for New Member and/or Change of Address
Name
Address ———————————————————————————————————
City ————————————————————————————————————
State Zip
Phone Cell #
Email
Dues <u>\$25.00</u>
Medium of choice
Please make check payable to and mail to: Tarpon Springs Art Association Patsy Renz, Membership 39650 US Hwy 19N #1413 Tarpon Springs FL 34688

Anyone who says you can't see a thought simply doesn't know art. — *Wynetka Ann Reynolds* 

#### REMEMBER.....

The next general meeting is Monday, April 1, picnic at the Heritage Center

The next board meeting is April 29, 2019, 10:00PM at Friends of the Library

If you have <u>any news</u> call me at 943-7732 or email me at patsy.renz@verizon.net by April 15, 2018. Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.

#### **Artist of the Month Schedule**

**September –** All Media artwork Voting; Program is "Show and Tell" of any painting on display.

October - Acrylic, 3 Dimensional Art

November - Oil and Acrylic

**December -** Bring a piece to be displayed

January - Mixed Media, Photography, 3 D

February - Watercolor

March - Pastel, Pen & Ink, Charcoal, Misc. not shown elsewhere

\*April - Judged Show (Picnic)

Bring Art work by 1:15 pm or it won't be judged.