NEWSLETTER

January 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

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President's Message by *Trish Gregory*-943-8677.

As we approach Christmas, I am thinking back to our annual 1st Friday Snow Day in downtown Tarpon Springs. It seems longer than the 3 years we have been celebrating this, but to me, this was the best one. As I walked from my car into town, I was greeted with the sight of streets decorated for Christmas and the Holiday Season and snow (OK, artificial snow, but who cares in Florida?) blowing all around. I immediately felt the festive spirit and it continued as I viewed the

various vendors lining the streets and then listened to the Community Chorus and experienced the lighting of the town's Christmas Tree. I wish all of you could have experienced this wonderful beginning of the special Holiday Season. Before the evening ended for me at one of the outdoor cafe tables by the Tuscan Sun restaurant, I visited our wonderful art gallery. What a boon the Art Guild is to Tarpon Springs. Thank you to all the artists who display there and volunteer their time.

A couple of other things - the January 14 general meeting will feature Kathy Detrano demonstrating her pastels. She has requested your input on any questions you may have about pastels or any particular issues you would like for her to address. Please contact her by phone or email before January 2 (727-817-0940, kdetrano@tampabay.rr.com).

Second, I would like to stress the need for volunteer help with the upcoming Plein Air Paint & Photo Tarpon Springs event, which will begin on April 2, running through April 12. Please sign up to help at the January meeting. Volunteers are needed right now to contact possible sponsors. The letters have been mailed out to everyone who has sponsored in the past, and these will need to be followed up with phone calls or personal contact. There are also several other opportunities to help. Sherry Orr will tell you more about it in January.

My wishes go out to each one of you for a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays, and I look forward to seeing everyone on January 14.



HAPPY NEW YEAR......wishing you the Best of 2019!

This is going to be a busy year.Sherry Orr
There are some excellent opportunities for demonstrations and workshops.

We are starting the year with a demonstration by **Kathy Detrano** on how to set up for a Plein Air event on January 14th.

February will start off with a demonstration by Carole Loiacono on February 4th.

Then there will be 2 workshops. Carole will have a workshop on February 8th. Kathy will have a workshop on **February 22nd**.

Closing out the year will be Lynn Pierson doing a demonstration on March 4th. Her workshop will be March 16th.

Remember to sign up at the Community Center. Workshops are \$25.00.

Tarpon Springs Fine Art Festival (Art on the Bayou), weekend of March 9th: Registration will be on March 9th at the Community Center. There is a \$10.00 entry fee. Please see membership book for additional details. We need members to set up the tent

and hang art around noon.

Members need to sign up to monitor our tent and sell art.

Then we need members to clean up and take down the tent.

Next on our schedule will be the annual lunch at the Heritage Museum on April 1st. Luncheon: 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.

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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. I need folks who will go to local businesses to get ads. We need to complete this by January 10th. Please let me know if you will help. Waiting to hear from you!

Paintings from TSAA December Meeting



Andrew Chianese



Trish Gregory

Joanmaria Francishelli



Patricia Haddad



Lynn Kopala



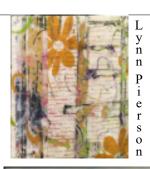
Carole Loiacono



Sherry Orr



Trish Pelletier







Betty Stallard



Joy Swanson



Gregg Ratza



Nancy Rhoads



Ljuba Simovic



Dan Takoushian



TSAA Some comments from members about Lee Albion: "Lee has quite a gift for engaging the audience (sharing her story of becoming an artist) and then speaking to its needs. Recognizing the wide range of media employed by the artists in attendance, she talked about techniques that could be applied to any media. She focused on composition and the need for only

one focal point. Then, she offered ways to guide the viewer to the one focal point of the piece, including brush strokes, shapes (such as a blade of grass leaning toward the focal point), etc. It was an honor to meet her and a pleasure to hear her speak about the creative process".

"Lee's enthusiasm for art and painting is contagious. As I listened to her I wanted to get out my easel and find a composition that wasn't BORING!! It is inspiring to see such a generous artist who is so willing to freely share her knowledge and insight".

"I can tell you that I enjoyed Lee's talk very much. First of all, she never used any notes, which impressed me very much because she was clear, concise and to the point. Secondly, she gave us so many useful pointers about planning the subject, starting our painting, watching the balance, values and every other aspect of painting. Usually successful artists are not too generous in telling "the tricks of the trade", but she was very generous and very good in explaining it all". Thank you Lee from all at TSAA!

Tampa Bay Plein Air Painters (TBPAP) Schedule for January

January Friday 4 and 11 – Molly Goodheads, 400 Orange St. Ozona

Meet at 9:00 AM (Street painting, old Florida)

January Friday 18 and 25 – Craig Park on the Bayou 3 East Tarpon, Tarpon Springs

Meet at 9:00 AM (Park or surroundings)

Note: If the weather is too cold, we can meet at 12:00 PM-3:00 PM

Please call or text Polly Berlin, Cellular: 603-630-4053

Welcome New Member:

Martha Hickey - Tarpon Springs - 813-765-6219

VENUE NEWS:

Lynn Kapola is happy to report that we have artists signed up for the **hospital venue** until autumn 2019! However, she needs someone to volunteer to help her run this venue, since she is still unable to walk due to surgery. This job would involve meeting her at the hospital once every two months for the artwork exchange, which takes about an hour and a half. She is saying a little prayer that someone will contact me and volunteer: 727 940 4975 or lynnkopala@hotmail.com. Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and Joyous Epiphany to all. Please volunteer as we don't want to lose this venue.

Performing Arts Center: Gail McConnell, Jim Throne, Heather Risley

We need a person or two to take over this venue.

Chamber of Commerce: Ljuba Simovic & Susan Duda

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:

Lora VanNoord won first prize for her oil painting titled "Tropical Garden" at the Clearwater Main Library in December.

Mary Beth McDonell sold a painting in the Florida landscape show organized by Heather Risley at the Brooker Creek Preserve in November.

Ljuba Simovic's painting "Imaginary Universe" was selected in the International Society of Acrylic Painters (ISAP) 3rd Annual All-Member Online Exhibition.

Marilyn Chaulk is participating in the CAG exhibit at the public library in Clearwater. She has two paintings in the exhibit. "Garden Dreaming" and "Dunedin Honeymoon"

Betty Stallard sold a farm scene painting, "Country **Traditions**", at a gallery in Frostburg, Maryland.

Nancy Rhoads just heard that she has been accepted into the online Florida Watercolor Society show. titled " Rock On".

Plein Air 2019 Brooker Creek Preserve Saturday, January 26 (Plein Air Event) - All Day Sunday, February 17 (Reception and Awards Program) 1 -

Plein Air 2019 is sponsored by the Friends of Brooker **Creek Preserve** to encourage the use of the Preserve as an inspiration for artists to create nature-inspired works of art. All artists (amateurs to professionals) are invited to participate in showing their talent and support for Brooker Creek Preserve by creating art inspired by the wildlife and natural landscape of the Preserve. All artwork must be created on January 26 within the Preserve grounds. Up to two pieces per artist may be submitted. The resulting works will be displayed in the Brooker Creek Preserve Auditorium Gallery for three weeks during which time judging will occur. Sale of artwork is encouraged and 10% from any sales is requested as a donation to Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve. The Reception and Awards program will take place from 1:00 to 3:00 PM on Sunday, February 17. All unsold artwork must be removed at the end of the event. Cost to participate is a \$20 non-refundable fee. Early registration is strongly encouraged to assure participation. Cash prizes will be awarded for Best in Show (\$100), First (\$75), Second (\$50), Third (\$25), and Visitor's Choice (\$25).

Registration forms and more information can be found at: www.friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org

3940 Keystone Road, Tarpon Springs, FL 34688 For questions: Call 727-934-2680 ☐ Email fobcp@tampabay.rr.com



Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life and Joy Swanson, 386-214-1556 Sunshine Chairperson, is ready to supply it to those of our membership who may be under a cloud.



TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION PO Box 1177

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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
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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

An artist never really finishes his work; he merely abandons it. — *Paul Valéry*

REMEMBER.....

The next general meeting is Monday, Jan 14, 2019. 1:30 pm, at The Community Center

The next board meeting is Jan. 28, 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 January 18, 2019. 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.