

## Tarpon Springs Art Association General Membership Meeting, September 13, 2021, Minutes.

Lynn Pierson, President, convened the meeting at 1 PM EDT. She greeted the TSAA members as they joined the meeting via Zoom.

Secretary's Report: Lynn Hudson Kopala, Secretary, said all TSAA General Membership meeting minutes are up to date. The most recent TSAA Board minutes are circulating for review.

Treasurer's Report: Martha Hickey, Treasurer, reported the TSAA balance. She also reported that there had been no problem with balancing the checkbook. Her report was accepted unanimously.

Membership and Newsletter: Patsy Renz noted that the membership total is unchanged since last month and stands at 58. The next TSAA Newsletter deadline for articles is September 18.

Publicity: Trish Gregory's liaison work with Jeff Rosenfeld, reporter for "The Beacon" (local printed version of the Suncoast News newspaper) resulted in their publishing an article about the upcoming Paint and Photograph Tarpon Springs. Members asked where the Beacon could be found. Two places mentioned were the Chamber of Commerce, and in front of Queen's Pizza Restaurant on US 19. Also, online, people can access the Suncoast News at <https://www.suncoastnews.com>.

The Suncoast News also covered tributes to the late Sue Thomas. Note: depending on the location of your laptop or smartphone, the search function on the Suncoast News website will work differently.

Sunshine: Lynn Kopala reported that flowers sent to the late Sue Thomas reached her before her untimely passing.

Moment of Remembrance: Lynn Pierson noted our recent and unexpected losses of Sue Thomas, Petera Semple, and Lee Albion, and asked for a moment of remembrance.

### Venues:

- **Library:** No report. (Activity room is still not being used.)
- **Valley Bank:** Lynn Hudson Kopala reported that Valley Bank work was changed during the first week in September. Artists for one person, 2-month shows of 9 pieces are needed beginning with January 2022.
- **Hospital:** Lynn HK stated that AdventHealth – North Pinellas Hospital has not yet reopened the new area for TSAA work. She is in contact with their representative.
- **Chamber of Commerce:** Trish Gregory and Sherry Orr will be managing this venue as well as the Performing Arts Center.
- **Hampton Inn:** The next exchange will be the first week in October. Trish Gregory's work will hang October through December. Four artists will be needed for 2022: January – March, April-June, July-September, October-December. The works are hung in the lobby. There is hanging equipment for 2 large pieces. They must have a Tarpon Springs or distinctly Florida theme. Lynn Hudson Kopala is now coordinating this venue.
- **The Performing Arts Center** currently has work hanging. The next rotation will be announced later. Caution: For safety reasons, the Performing Arts Center will not permit the hanging of any work covered with glass.
- **Lynn Pierson, President, thanked Heather Risley for her many years of dedicated service managing several venues around Tarpon Springs for TSAA membership displays.**

Programs: Sherry Orr provided reports on the two upcoming programs, the Paint and Photograph Tarpon Springs plein air event, and the TSAA Members Winter Show. See Old and New Business.

### Old and New Business:

- Paint and Photograph Tarpon Springs – Sherry Orr reviewed the event schedule as follows:
  - October 11: Cultural Center. 8:30 – noon. Registration.
  - October 11 through morning of October 15, no later than 11:30: Painting and Photographing.
  - October 14: Quick Draw and Picnic, Fred Howard Park.
  - October 15: Cultural Center: No later than 11:30, deliver finished work ready for hanging.
  - October 15, afternoon: Judging.
  - October 15, evening: Cultural Center, Reception and Awarding of Prizes.
  - Exhibit and Sale of work: Cultural Center, October 18 – 22. Pick up work no later than noon, October 22.
  - Sherry Orr reported that volunteers are needed to help with all events.
  - Donations have been received for special awards in honored memory of Lee Albion, Petera Semple, and Sue Thomas.
- TSAA Members Winter Show December 2021– Sherry Orr said details will be published in the next TSAA Newsletter. It will be held at the Cultural Center. Volunteers will be needed for registration, decorating, reception, and minding the exhibit during open hours. The show will run for a month.
- Art on The Bayou – Spring 2022 – Sherry Orr noted that this popular outdoor art festival is scheduled to return in the spring of 2022, and TSAA will have a booth. More details will be announced as the time approaches.

### Artist of the Month (AOTM):

- **October:** Kathy Detrano declared that submissions for the next AOTM will be accepted online from September 13 through September 22. The theme is "Trees and Landscapes." Online voting will be from September 25 through October 1.
- **Winner of September AOTM:** Kathy Detrano announced that **Sherri Gaines's** painting of a yellow rose won September's AOTM. (The theme was "Floral.")

Member News: None.

There being no additional business, the President adjourned the business meeting at approximately 1:46 EDT.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Hudson Kopala, Secretary, September 26, 2021. (Draft, Version 1.2)

### September Member Program:

**Following the business meeting, Sherry Orr presented a joyous pictorial remembrance showing beautiful work by TSAA artist the late Petera Semple. Members shared fond memories.**