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Meetings - First Monday of the Month at The Community Center. 400 S. Walton -1:00pm

April 2022

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Greetings TSAA Members,



It is with deep sadness that I share the news that Carole Loiacono, a long-time member and extraordinary artist, has passed away after a brief illness. A memorial service will be held at 11a.m, April 23 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Tarpon. Please read Sherry Orr's remembrance of Carole further on in the newsletter.

I am happy to say we are ending our program year on a high note. With no nominations having been put forward to fill the office of President by the March 15 end date, Trish Gregory graciously stepped forward, at that time, to fill the position for one year. Trish's name was formally presented to the board at our scheduled board meeting March 28. It was accepted and, with no other names presented, she was approved as President by acclamation. We can, with relief, look forward to a full set of talented officers to lead TSAA and, I am confident, to a committed membership that will step up to the plate when called upon.

A special shoutout to Sherry Orr and Trish Gregory, our co-chairs for the TSAA participation in the annual Tarpon Springs Art Festival, and their intrepid volunteers. Thank you to all for making it a success despite the rough start with the Saturday storm. It ended with a great day on Sunday with a number of artworks sold.

The City of Tarpon Springs will be holding an Art Health event in early May. TSAA has been invited to participate with demos and to sell our work at no participation cost to us. Sign up will be available at the picnic. Dates for this and the exhibitions for the next program year are listed further on in this newsletter. Be sure to add them to your calendar.

There was a terrific turnout for our first in-person meeting in March. We enjoyed learning about January Artist of the Month Martha Hickey's winning photograph, and member Lynn Whitelaw's in-depth discussion about his judging process. There is one more opportunity to gather at our annual year-end lunch and member show at Howard Park next Monday. Officers will be installed, members artwork judged and everyone can enjoy a good time socializing and celebrating our coming together after a long two years. See you then!

Thank you to all for your support and participation, and just for hanging in there, over these last two years. A special thank you to each of the TSAA board members for their hard work, creative thinking and steadfast support during such challenging time. All things considered, I think we did a pretty darn good job. I know there are many good things to come under the able and committed leadership of Trish Gregory, Peggy McCardle and the rest of the board.

Creatively yours,

Lynn
Lynn Foskett Pierson
President, TSAA

The Tarpon Springs Art Association would like to thank Lynn Pierson for the wonderful job she did as our President. It was a tough time to be President but she handled every thing that came her way; from the Pandemic and every thing else that came up that was not the usual thing for the President to have to handle. She did it all with no complaints and kept the club going through it all. Thank you Lynn. Great job!

March Seems to be Going out Like a Lamb

March certainly roared last weekend. Despite the wind and rain, it turned out to be a beautiful event to showcase our artists. Several pieces were sold and folks will be back next year looking for works by the same artists.

Thank you to all the artists who braved the weather and worked the weekend learning new skills like putting up the tent. Special Thanks to Kevin Grass who never gave up and the tent rose. Volunteers included Patsy Renz, Martha Hickey, Trish Gregory, Milton, Peggy McCardle, Marilyn Davis, Lynn Pierson, Lynn Kopala, Maureen Mandeville, Kevin and Marlene Grass, Bess King, Susan Duda, Judy Johnson, Pat Liegal, Heather Risley, Ljuba Simovic, and Clifford Moorhead. The Festival is the same weekend every year, so put it on your calendar for next year.

Nexxxxxt.....is the April 4th show, picnic, and installation of officers. We have reserved shelter 6 at Howard Park. Registration for the Show will be at 10:00-10:30. Please bring an easel for your work. Everyone should bring their own lunch and a dessert to share. We will have water. There will be an installation of Officers.

Mark down May 14th, Craig Park for a new event, Healthy Art. Artists can demonstrate their art in the park and have art on display for sale.

Plans for next year are coming together. The Plein Air Event will be at the Heritage Museum in February thanks to Lynn Pierson's negotiations. The Reception will be February 10th. Art will be on display February 13-16th. Packets can be picked up and art materials stamped on February 6th from 8-10 outside the Heritage Museum. Artists can paint February 6-7-8-9, The Quick Draw will be February 9th from 9-12. Lunch will follow.

Thank you for your participation in all our events.
Sherry Orr

The Open Painting group welcomes anyone interested in painting. The group meets from 9-12 every Friday morning at the recreation building in Craig Park. Each person contributes \$5 which goes to support the Tarpon Recreation Center activities and facilities. Drop in once in awhile or come every Friday. All media are welcome. It's a great opportunity to socialize and share ideas and techniques with fellow artists.

Welcome New Members:

Kevin Grass - Tarpon Springs - 942-9020

Dee Corso - Tarpon Springs - 945-8703

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:

Trish Gregory sold her photographic art picture "My Happy Place" at the Fine Art Festival on Saturday.

Lynn Foskett Pierson received Best of Show for her entry, "Pandemic Chair #5", in the PAVA annual member show.

Fran Failla exhibited two of her oil paintings at the Beach Art Center and won a certificate of merit.

She also entered a painting at the Dunedin Fine Art Center for their April member exhibition.

Finally, she will be having a one-man exhibition at the Francis Wilson Playhouse in Clearwater from July 7th through July 17th.

Shari Gaines had a successful weekend at the Tarpon Springs Fine Art Festival on the Bayou, in spite of the horrible 25 mile per hour winds on Saturday which included a thunderstorm in the morning! She sold three originals and several limited edition prints!

Lora VanNoord's "Verdi's Pond" oil painting will be shown at the Studio 1212 exhibit called LOOK CLOSER.

The exhibit is from March 23 to April 24 2022 at their new location in Dunedin, 234 Monroe St.

Reception: Sunday, March 27, 12-3 pm. Lora plans to be there for the daytime reception.

Peggy McCardle won best of show with her oil painting "great Egret's Nest" at the TESA Art for Heart show in February' TESA is The Exhibiting Society of Artists of which she is a member.

Also one of her oil paintings and a giclee of a painting sold at the spring festival.

The TSAA booth also sold prints by **Heather Risley** and **Kevin Grass**.

Watercolor lessons

Susan McCubbin is offering watercolor classes 11am to 1pm on Fridays at Tarpon Art Guild (TAG). TAG is located at 161 E. Tarpon Ave., Tarpon Springs FL 34689, (727) 940-2324. Painters will learn ways to get the most out of painting with watercolors. Supply list available for beginners. Cost will be \$25 per session.

Starting April 8th for intermediate and advanced watercolor painters Susan will start exploring the painting style of Frank Webb.

Susan is at the TAG on Fridays. Space is limited so sign up early in person at TAG or by phone. If you have any questions for her stop by on Fridays or call her cell phone is 727 946-2044.

VENUE NEWS:

Hampton Inn - Three Tarpon Springs works are needed to hang in during July-August-September. The rest of the year is full. Lynn Kopala 727 940 4975. lynnkopala@hotmail.com

Valley Bank - Call or email Lynn Kopala if you are interested in hanging 9 works sometime during the year. Dates as yet are undetermined.

The AdventNorth Hospital is not available at this time as a venue.

The Performing Arts Center

.One person is needed to show 4 pictures (paintings or photography) to hang at the Performing Art Center at City Hall for 3 months, beginning March 28. They must be without glass and no larger than 16x20. Please let me know soon, at peg3400@gmail.com.

I would also like for someone to take over managing the Performing Arts Center after the March 28 changeover. If you would be interested, please let me know. Thank you. Trish

Chamber of Commerce

At this time. We have art by Trish Gregory, Lynn Foskett Pierson, Kathy Detrano, and Carole Loiacono. The art will come down on March 28th at 10:00.

We need four more artists to hang 5 works each on March 28th at 10:00.

Please e-mail or call Sherry Orr at orr6@verizon.net or 813 310 9045.

Tarpon Springs Library -

Tarpon Springs Library - due to schedule conflicts among the artists showing at the Friends of the Library meeting room, the rotation date is being moved to May 16. Sign up will be available at the picnic or let Lynn Pierson (foskett.lynn@gmail.com) know if you are interested in hanging your work at that time. This is a great venue that can hold up to 12+ pieces averaging 16x20".

Friends  of Brooker Creek Preserve

The Friends of Brooker Creek Preserve, Inc., a non-profit support organization, is pleased to announce the upcoming PLEIN AIR 2022 weekend event at Brooker Creek Preserve, April 23 through 24 (with an exhibition in the Brooker Creek Auditorium Gallery through May 8). This event is open to amateur and professional plein air artists and photographers and early registration is encouraged. View website for information and Registration Form: <http://www.friendsofbrookercreekpreserve.org>

Carole Loiacono,

Teacher, Oil Painter, Pastelist, Water Colorist, Student



Passed in March

Carole won numerous awards through the years. Recently, she won first at the Winter Show

with a lovely water color. Carole had a studio in Gloucester, Massachusetts and the great outdoors in Florida. Carole and Judy Rogers were good friends who shared the love of painting.

Each year, Carole would return from Massachusetts excited about workshops she had taken over the summer. One of the last two were "angry skies" and "rainy days". She shared all she learned at workshops. Being a skilled retired teacher she taught each step and gave constructive feedback.

Each Wednesday, Carole would meet a group of artists at a park or beach leading the group in Plein Air painting. Later, they would go out to lunch enjoying each other's company.

Carole will be missed for her beautiful paintings and her willingness to help artists improve their skills.

We will miss you.

Sherry Orr

Alan Metzger will be exhibiting his oil paintings on the Back Wall of Tarpon Art Guild, 161 E. Tarpon Avenue, Tarpon Springs for the month of April. Known for his dynamic brushwork, Alan has recently won First prize in Oil Painting at the Pasco County Fair and First prize in Professional Oil Painting at the Strawberry Festival.

Meet and chat with Alan at the gallery during the Tarpon Springs First Friday festivities on Friday, April 1st, from 6-9pm.

The Tarpon Art Guild is announcing another Call for Artists for the month of May. The theme this time is ANIMALS. The awards reception will be on Friday, May 13, from 5 to 7pm. Be sure to get your registration form in by April 25! Find more info and download the entry form from our web site, www.tarponartguild.com.



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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

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell # _____

Email _____

Dues \$40.00

Medium of choice _____


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REMEMBER.....

The next general meeting is Monday, April; 4 at 10:00 am at shelter 6, Howard Park (see Sherry's Article for details)

The next board meeting scheduled as needed via ZOOM.

If you have any news call me at 943-7732 or email me at patsy.renz@verizon.net by April 18, 2022, Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.



Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life. Contact lynnkopala@hotmail.com if you know a TSAA member who needs a little sunshine in the form of a greeting card. Sunshine Chairperson, is ready to supply it to those of our membership who may be under a cloud.

Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time." – Thomas Merton