

GALLERY GAZETTE

Macon County Art Association

<http://www.mcaauptowngallery.org>

January 2010

Gallery Hours: 10 am to 5 pm, Mon – Sat

Happy New Year

February meeting, “yours truly, Jon Houglum, your most obedient servant” will give an oil painting demo he calls “placing figures into paintings with appropriate proportions and perspective.” He adds it will be a barn burner!” and “attendance ought to be a must.”

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to 2010! Our new year is going to be great! The **strategic plan** is coming together after all your efforts – *thanks so much!* MCAA has so much to offer. And not the least of its strengths is the talent of its members. If there has been any doubt of that it is certainly dispelled by the quality of the winter exhibit – check it out! Also, remember to keep up with happenings via the newsletter and the website and read the Board meeting minutes and the financial reports on the board at the back of the classroom.

We also expect to see you at the meetings and to have you take part in our association’s activities. We really need viable working committees this year, including new members with new ideas. I hope our more long-term members will lend a hand on specific committees, and the first of these needs to be a nominating committee to search for a President and slate of officers for the election in late summer. The duties of the committee will include revising the job descriptions so that they reflect the changes that are taking place with Board positions and developing the leadership potential of candidates. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are willing to serve on this committee.

We also want volunteers for committees to work on the by-laws, development, marketing, outdoor/out-of-gallery shows and specific events such as our planned “Accessorize for Art” rummage sale this spring. Please step forward so we don’t have to twist your arm (painting will be painful if we have to do that!). My number is 706-746-3376 or you can always find me through the gallery or MCAA website. Thanks!

Sue Weathers

Happy Birthday

Bill McMillan 1/2; Allison Wunder 1/2; Camille Tuttrup 1/19; and Karen Smith 1/20.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Membership chairwoman Natalie reports that we have three new MCAA joiners’ one patron and two new members and one resignation.

Welcome and thanks new patron Pamela Williams (spouse – Marv), 5501 Tessentee Rd., Franklin, 28734, 349-0530, mwillia793@earthlink.net.

Two new active members:

- 1) Chris Bell; 676 Lake Shore Dr., Franklin, 28734; 369-1646 or cell 371-8848. Wants to hang and sit.
- 2) Pat Dziurgot (wife Mary), 49 Birchwood Lane, Franklin, NC 28734, 524-4736,

Dziurgot@juno.com.

David Watters has resigned.

We are up to 52 Active Members, 8 *life* and 1 *patron*.

Gallery Director Carol Rollick reminds us that the winter show last through March. She will post the hanging dates for 2010 at the front desk. She is developing a list of “buddies” to be paired with new members for gallery sitting training.

Treasure Karen Smith reports that the proposed budget for 2010 is ready to be presented to the membership and that we have received two \$500.00 donations.

Marketing Chairperson Stephen Clark and Carol have been working to bring the gallery front windows to reflect an updated image for the gallery. We need to all come together and support the contributions of our new leaders.

Thanks a Bunch

*Monday morning Pat Mennenger hosted Jeannie Welch’s Art Appreciation class from Southwestern Community College. Ten students enjoyed a private viewing before the gallery officially opened on November 19, 2009. Thanks Pat with our association’s public relations. And thanks for returning to the Board of Directors for yet another term.

*Susan Lizer sends a special thank you to all the people who sat during the holiday especially since so many people were out of town

Get Well / Condolences

Lois Richardson passed away on December 9th following a valiant fight with cancer. Lois was a beautiful woman who served us on the association’s board and as our president. Her involvement in politics was with the Republican women. She was a member of the Catholic Church. “We’ll miss her cheerful and kindly presence” says our president.

Announcements

*Karen has prepared the 2010 sign up sheets for the art shows at Southwestern Community College and

Main Street Pizza. Franklin and Webster can't wait to see a larger display of your artwork.

*The board is still waiting for a member to step forward and manage the outdoor shows. Money earned through these shows is very important to keeping the galley open. So please help and please participate. It's more important now than ever.

EDITOR'S ENDNOTE

Feel free to contact me with any information that you would like to share with the group. My email address and the best way to contact me is jimesmythe@mac.com. Or talk with me in person.

James Smythe, Editor



Karen Smith's January show at Southwestern Community College. As you can see this is a handsome show consisting of four acrylic and two pastel paintings that feature landscape and animal subjects.

Also, note the curved dark wall and spot lighting that illuminates each painting. Wouldn't you like to show your paintings and/or photographs in this upscale showplace? If so contact Karen Smith at karen@programservices.org, 349-2804, or contact in person.

