



Newsletter: November, 2014

President's Message – Debbie Strobel

A group of 14 brave souls trekked out in the rain to attend our November meeting. Special kudos go to Shirley and Sheilah who drove from Hot Springs, and to new members Dottie Funk and Yvonne Head who have been very faithful in their attendance. Lois told us she was “bringing the outside inside.” She set up a still life of natural objects on a table in the middle of the room and positioned the other tables around it. We each did a small painting of the entire still life or just a small portion if we wanted. We also had a great “brainstorming” session about meeting ideas for next year!

The APS aprons have been ordered and will be here in time to be given out at the Christmas Party. And speaking of that...Virmarie has offered to have the party at her home in North Little Rock. It will be Tuesday, December 9th at 6pm. Virmarie will provide a ham and the wine and she asks everyone else to bring their favorite side dish. We will also have an ornament gift exchange. I will be sending out an “official” invitation later in the month with directions and asking for a RSVP, but go ahead and mark your calendar now!

Hope everyone can make the party in December, because after that we will be taking our two month break and will not meet again until March.

Debbie

Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome 2 new members: Suzanne Brugner of Heber Springs and Katy Landberg of Conway. We look forward to painting and creating with you!!!!

December Meeting - Please note this change from our usual meeting night - the first Tuesday of the month.

The December meeting is a potluck Christmas Party to be held at the home of Virmarie DePoyster on Tuesday, **December 9th**. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM. Invitations and directions to Virmarie's home will be sent later this month.

If you wish to participate in an ornament exchange, bring an ornament. The ornament should be "artsy" and/or creative but does not need to be a pastel so think creatively and bring something fun and interesting for the ornament exchange.

Election of Officers

These will probably look familiar as all board members have agreed to keep their positions of next year. We will be officially voting on these at the December meeting (Christmas party).

President- Debbie Strobel	Vice President- Lois Davis
Treasurer- Shelley Gentry	Secretary- Don Green
Membership- Babs Steward	Education- Marlene Gremillion (mini-workshops)
Historian- Mary Nancy Henry	Publicity/Newsletter- Margaret Lincourt
Website- Marlene Gremillion	Librarian- Cathy Spann
Exhibits- Shirley Anderson (National Juried Exhibit 2015), Nancy Martin, Sheilah Halderman (Garvan Gardens)	

Announcements

Virmarie DePoyster has an exhibit at the Arkansas Arts Center.

COLOR, AN ARTIST'S TALE

October 28, 2014 - February 15, 2015

These pieces celebrate Virmarie's love for color and she hopes that you have a chance to see the exhibit.

Mary Ann Stafford

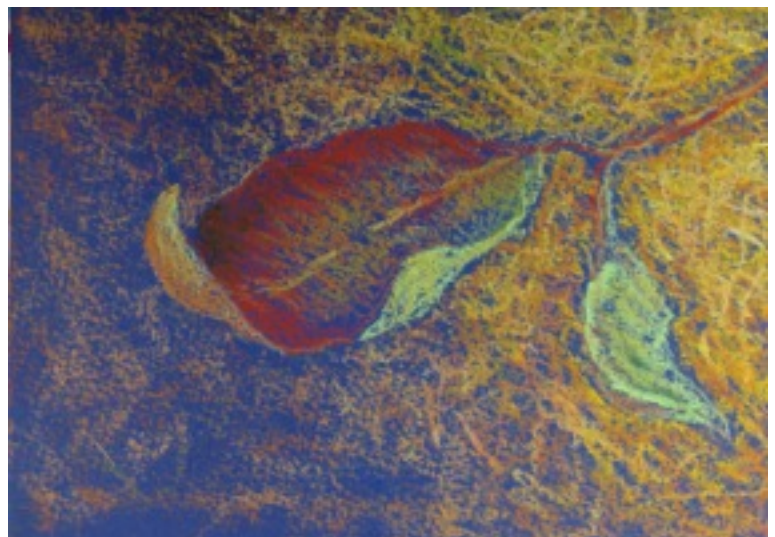
"This is My Home," a collection of my Arkansas landscapes in pastel and watermedia, will be exhibited at 1st Presbyterian Church in the Argenta district during the month of December. Come visit me during Artwalk.

Mary Ann sold two paintings in October, and won 1st place in Landscape and 1st place in Animals (both were pastels), and an Honorable Mention in the Saline County Art Show, and also won a 2nd place at the Tri-County show in Conway.

Sister Maria invites everyone to Immaculate Conception Church on JFK, North Little Rock, Saturday, November 8th from 9 AM to 6 PM for the Christmas Art Fair, featuring Art, Crafts, Soap, and many other gift items

Treasurers Report: Our account balance is \$8,036.98

Photos from our Meeting on Tuesday, November 4th. Bringing the outside inside.....







Volunteers Needed

If you can volunteer for the National Show, please contact Debbie Strobel. We will begin planning the show soon and there are many opportunities for you to participate.