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Happy New Year!

I think most of you know me, but for those who do not, I will introduce myself. I am originally from Eureka IL where I raised a family of four. I started drawing at a very early age but was a senior in high school when I took my first art class. Jo Ann Bell was very instrumental in teaching me watercolor. She was a very dear friend.

I got my associates' degree in graphic design from ICC and had a career as art designer/director in Peoria. I've been a member of the league since the early eighty's and held board positions.

I know I will not fill the shoes of Leslie and Jackie. They did a marvelous job for two years as co-presidents. The board is thankful for their continued service.

Dates have been set for the 2017 board meetings. Mark your calendars! Members at large are always welcome to attend. Meetings begin at 5:30 pm at the Peoria Heights' Library.

I would love to have your ideas on how we can make the Illinois Art League bigger and better. Give us your thoughts! We look forward to another successful year creating and promoting fine art.

Sharon Somers

Board Meetings: Jan 9, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, June 5, July 10, Aug 7, Sept 4, Oct 2 2017

ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP

JANUARY 1ST—DECEMBER 31ST 2017

IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED JUST SEND A CHECK TO

Mail to: IAL PO BOX 3532 PEORIA, IL 61612-3532

Individual \$30 Family \$40 Friend/Patron \$50

NO APPLICATION FORM NEEDED IF INFORMATION HAS NOT CHANGED

FORM CAN BE FOUND ON www.illinoisartleague.com

GALLERY SHOWS

Time Gallery

Hometown Clock Tower Bank 2nd Floor, 201 Clock Tower Dr. Levee District, East Peoria, IL

HOW WE SEE IT !

Photography and Painting Exhibit

Local Artists

Gwen Bateman, Jim Bateman, Lynne Rettke



Opening Reception

Saturday, January 7, 2017

9:30 - 12 Noon

View Exhibit:

January - March, 2017

Visit WWW.Illinoisartleague.com for more information

FOSTER GALLERY FOR CHRISTIANITY AND FINE ARTS

First United Methodist Church 116 NE Perry Ave, Peoria

Exhibiting Cathy Engberg

"Summer Revisited"

Jan 8th through Feb 22nd Reception: 1st Friday Feb 3rd 5-9 PM

NATIONAL OIL AND ACRYLIC PAINTERS SOCIETY (NOAPS)

Congratulations to Mary Hildebrand for her painting "More Than a Pear" which was selected for exhibit, the Fall National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society International On-Line Exhibition. It was one of 150 selected out of 850 paintings entered. To view go to www.noaps.org

Sharon Somers (a native of Eureka) donated a painting to be auctioned at the January 26th Elevate Reading Gala at Eureka College Cerf Center. This special night is to celebrate and raise funds for the Eureka Public Library for addition of a passenger elevator. Tickets are \$50

Things to do and places to go

- Wednesdays Jan 4th, 11th and 18th **COLORED PENCIL WORKGROUP meets at** Peoria North Branch Library 2-4pm
contact Karen Buenneke 309-681-0168
- Thursday Jan 5th **COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS-Luncheon** Pizza Ranch Peoria 4114 N. Brandywine
Hostess: Deborah Christman Theme: "Restful New Beginnings"
309-387-6636 queendfr@comcast.net
- Monday Jan 9th **ACRYLIC PAINTERS GROUP**-Peoria Heights Library-9:30-12:30
Contact: Jean Gronewold 309-657-3874 jeangg38@gmail.com
- ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE BOARD MEETING**-Peoria Heights Library 5:30-7:00
Please Join us (All are welcome)
- Thursday Jan 19h **PRAIRIELAND WATERMEDIA SOCIETY 1:00-3:00** Peoria Heights Library
For Info contact: Leslie Walsh 309-240-8363 booklady2404@yahoo.com
- Monday Jan 30th **ALL ARTIST'S GROUP** at Humana Building 1:00-3:00 on Hale St. Pioneer Pk.
For additional info: Cindy Wamack 691-1677 cwamack@humana.com

IAL MONTHLY MEMBER EXHIBIT AT PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY

816 E. Glen Ave. Peoria Heights Open 9-6

Exhibiting for January are: Debra Mielke and Elexis Hoyle

ATTENTION WE NEED EXHIBITORS for Feb (and some other months)

For more information contact Roberta Schwandner

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WELCOME MEMBER

Mel Turner 2218 Park Ave. Peoria, IL 61604 309-696-8542 padacake@comcast.net

Please add him to your IAL Directory

WORKSHOP OPPORTUNITY

David Garrison Pastel

Saturday January 7th 10:30-4:30

Dick Blick Retail Store Galesburg Class Fee \$60

I realize this is a short notice, I am taking the class. For Info contact: Bev Pullen

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