



ARTNEWS

SEPTEMBER 2011

Illinois Art League- President's Message

_____ Summer into Autumn, Autumn into Winter, Winter into Spring_____ Motion so swift, we know not that we move. Quote by: Dinah Mulock Crank.

We have arrived at the autumn of our year and we do so love our Autumn!!! Our workshops are underway and openings still exist for the October workshop so send those applications in ASAP.

We are happy to announce our proposed new board and the 2012 officers for your approval; see our list in this newsletter. Also, be sure to put December 10th on your calendar for a fun day of touring the area, visiting our members Artist Studios. See how they are set up and get ideas for your own studio. See ticket information in this newsletter and save a few dollars for a little Christmas shopping while you are at it.

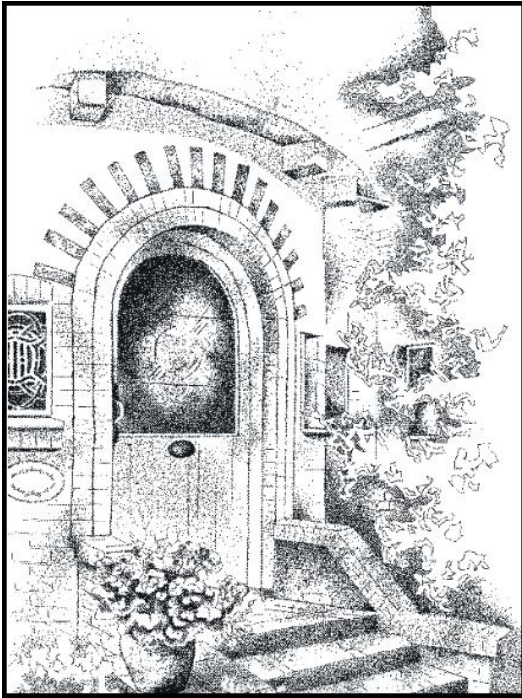
Finally, an application for our 2011 Annual Dinner is also in this issue. Be sure to send in your application and make your reservation now. Along with a terrific agenda and excellent food and friendship, we will conduct an art exchange, 8x10 or smaller, framed and ready for hanging. Don't miss this opportunity to add a piece of art to your collection at the cost of a little of your time.

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing. To keep our faces toward change and behave like free spirits in the presence of fate is strength undefeatable. I challenged your pocket books on our membership show, I asked for your ideas and your thoughts, and you rose to the occasion. Thank you to everyone who wrote and called, for all those discussions at your private get together and the ideas that came from them and the notes left in my door frame. Bottom line is that you feel that we should not raise the cost of entering our show quite as much as I suggested. But, given the cost of doing business and the cost of joining other art groups, you're almost unanimous recommendation is to raise dues. This is a good solution and one that I believe will do the trick. During our September board meeting, we addressed this solution and came up with an amount needed to keep us in the black, going forward. Good Job everyone!! Thank you again for your feedback and ideas. See your renewal application and increased dues in this issue and the wording of our by-law changes for your approval. There are four applications in this issue, fill them out and save yourself some postage, send them all in at once.

Oh, the fun of arriving at a house and feeling the spark that tells you that you are going to have a good time. We are off to our Autumn Season and it is going to be fun. See you at the workshops, I look forward to those weekends of creating with friends.

Linda K Freeburg President IAL

Artist of the Month- Kathy M. Sherman



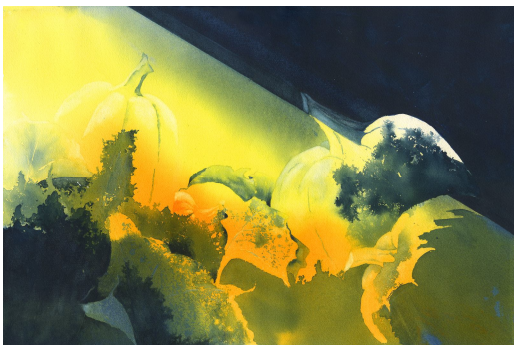
WATER COLOR/PEN & INK

My first introduction to the magic and mystery of watercolor took place at the Glen Oak Park Pavilion when watercolorist Win Jones brought his artistry to the Peoria area in the early seventies. Since that time I have had the privilege to study with such watercolor professionals as Stephen Blackburn, Fealing Lin, Ron Ranson and locally with Jo Ann Bell and Jeanne Ledbetter.

I was born in northern Wisconsin, spending my summers at our family cottage near Eagle River. It was here among the tall birches and glistening waters of the chain of lakes that the stage was set for me to record these visual memories in watercolor.

I also like to work in pen and ink with subjects of special interest to me. Ed Levene, of Peoria, mentored me in the early stages of discovering the intricacies of this medium and I continue to discover new and delightful ways of expression in this seemingly simple, but often underestimated art form.

Today, watercolor continues to challenge, mystify, and astonish me as it offers endless opportunities to learn and evolve. It captures for me the essence of my Higher Power who is Jesus Christ, the one who has created all that is beautiful, and has allowed me to catch just a glimpse.



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PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES 2012

(TO BE VOTED ON AT IAL ANNUAL DINNER)

By-law changes for approval at the November 2011 Annual Dinner are as follows:

Wording for Patron Members:

1st change:

Current: Any member who supports the league with a contribution of \$25.00 or more shall be listed as a Patron member **shall be changed to:** who supports the league with a donation of \$50.00 or more shall be listed as a Patron member for the calendar year. Page 29 in Directory

2nd change:

Article J in the Membership Show rules:

Current : If there are fewer than six "entries" in any class, awards will be at the discretion of the Show Committee Chairperson and the Judge. **WILL Be Changed to Read:** If there are fewer than six "entrants" (people) in any class, awards will be at the discretion of the Show Committee Chairperson and the Judge. Page 34 in Directory

Membership Dues:

It is hereby proposed to raise the dues from \$20.00 per year to \$30.00 per year and \$35.00 for a family membership. Anyone paying their dues for the year after February 28th will be charged \$35.00. Dues are for the calendar year January 1 through December 31, of each year. All dues are due by February 28th in order to be in the directory and stay at the given price.

PROPOSED SLATE OF IAL OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2012

OFFICERS:

President: Nancy Davis
Vice-President: Bev Pullen
Recording Secretary: Tina Gross
/Membership Show
Treasurer: Linda K. Freeburg
/Exhibits

COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS:

Membership: Tania Thousand
Membership Show Co-Chairs: Susie Ryan and Mary and Stan Hildebrand
Newsletter Editors: Bev and Wayne Pullen

BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE:

Rose Sullivan: Workshops
Kathy Sherman: After School Classes
Deborah Schmitt: Exhibits
Elijah Sansom: Historian/
Photography
Brandon Wickwire: Website
Pat Withers: Membership Show/July mtg.
Cheryl Dean: Exhibits
Ace Allen: Membership Show
Terry Shockency: Exhibits and workshops

IAL RESERVATION FOR ANNUAL DINNER

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE'S 51ST ANNUAL DINNER
TO BE HELD: NOVEMBER 7TH, 2011 FROM 5PM TO 9PM

" AT THE BUTCHER BLOCK RESTAURANT IN JUNCTION CITY "

A SHORT BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED. STARTERS AND DESSERT PAID
FOR BY THE LEAGUE. WE WILL ONCE AGAIN ENJOY A NICE EVENING OF LIVE MUSIC
SO PLAN TO ATTEND. YOUR APPLICATION FOR RESERVATIONS IS BELOW.

COMPLETE AND MAIL TO: **ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE, PO BOX 3532, PEORIA, IL 61612**
ALL CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO: ILLINOIS ART LEAGUE BY OCT 20th.

PRICE PER DINNER PER PERSON: \$24.00 (INCLUDES COST OF BAND)

My menu choice is: please mark how many of each entree

_____ PRIME RIB

_____ CHICKEN AND RICE

_____ VEGI LASAGNA

NAME _____

Number of people in party _____

Make checks out to: Illinois Art League and mail to: Illinois Art League, P O Box
3532, Peoria, Il. 61612

IAL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

October 15, Saturday 9:30-3:30

Professional Workshop

Taught by Don Kettelborough
Application in this Newsletter

November 7, Monday

IAL Annual Dinner

Butcher Block at Junction City
Reservation form this newsletter

December 10, Saturday 10-4 Pm

IAL's Christmas "Walk of Art"

5 artist's studios featured
Application in this Newsletter

Be sure to put these dates on your calendar and send in your application.

SPECIAL NOTE: All applications for workshops are also available at www.illinoisartleague.com

COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS

Lunches are held the first Thursday of the month at various locations as determined by the hostess.

- Oct 6th Hostess: Linda Sprouse
Ph. 309-369-5319 RSVP by Oct 3rd
Location: Biaggi's Restorante
Time: 11:00 in PeoriaWestlake
Theme: Harvest
- Nov 3rd Hostess: Bev Pullen
Ph: 309-385-2501

Salad Luncheon Potluck

Time: 11:00 at Bev's House
12633 W. Akron Rd.
Princeville, IL 61559 309-385-2501
Theme: Apples of Gold in Trays of Silver

PRAIRELAND WATERMEDIA SOCIETY

Meetings held at Peoria Heights Library third Thursday from 1:00-3:00.

- Oct 20th 1:00 Rose Sullivan
- Nov. 17th Small Christmas Exchange.

PRAIRIE WATERMEDIA NEWS

Linda Sprouse and Loretta vanHoorebek were the hostesses for the September meeting held at the Peoria Heights Library. A demonstration on using wax to create a Batik affect in watercolors was presented. This is a process of using wax as you would use a masking fluid. The lesson was based on a seminar they had taken with Kathie George. She also has a very good book showing this process. It's titled Simply Beautiful Watercolors and it contains step by step instructions. Also, if you wish to see more information and a demo check out this web site www.artistsnetwork.com. You need to go to search and type in her name Kathie George. Sorry more of you could not have attended and hope we see you next month.

**FALL PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOP
WITH
DON KETTELBOROUGH**

**October 15, 2011
Peoria Heights Library
9:30am to 3:30pm**

Don Kettelborough was formerly art teacher for District 150. Since retiring, he is a professional artist working mostly in acrylic. He is a great teacher and did a very well-received and popular workshop for the League in 2010. He has planned an exciting new project for us this fall and we are looking forward to having him with us again. Be sure to sign up early as this workshop will fill up early.

Cost: \$85 for members and \$125 for non-members.
A material list will be sent to you upon receipt of your payment.

Lunch: \$10 additional, we will have a one hour lunch break
Coffee, soda and snacks are provided by IAL.

If questions, call: Rose Sullivan (309) 692-7766

APPLICATION FOR DON KETTELBOROUGH WORKSHOP

Please reserve space for:

NAME _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS _____ E-Mail: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Fee enclosed \$----- Are you an IAL member? YES NO

Do you want lunch? YES NO

Mail to: Illinois Art League, P.O. Box 3532, Peoria, IL 61612

IALS' CHRISTMAS "WALK OF ART"

Saturday December 10 ,2011 from 10 am to 4 pm

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND FELLOW ARTISTS TO THIS UNIQUE HOLIDAY AFFAIR!

Learn how to set up a " Working Studio" from inexpensive to the dream ideal creative haven. Get tips on storage, organization, and perhaps some unique artistic techniques. Artists will also have a unique one of a kind items, for your holiday gift shopping.

Tickets are only \$5.00 per person and advance purchase is encouraged.

Maps and directions to each studio will be provided. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be given at the end of the tour day. Your ticket is required to win.

Artists included in the tour, (Alpha order)

Sharon Chamberlain
Jean Fehl
Susie Ryan
Kathy Sherman
Rose Sullivan

Name: _____

Number of tickets:_____

Address: _____

Each ticket is \$5.00, make your check out to Illinois art League

Mail reservation to Illinois art League, PO Box 3532, Peoria, Illinois 61612

**WEDNESDAY COLORED
PENCIL WORKGROUP**

The Wednesday colored pencil workgroup meets the first 3 Wednesdays of the month at the Peoria Public Library North Branch behind Menards near Pioneer Park. 3001 W. Grand Parkway Peoria. Time: 2:30-4:30
Next meeting dates:
Oct 5,12, and 19. For more information contact: Karen Bueneke at 309-681-0168.

MEMBER'S EXHIBITS

Peoria Height's Library
September artists are:
Karen Bueneke and John Sinn.
This exhibit remains until the end of September. Be sure to support your fellow members exhibit by viewing their works.
October's Exhibitors will be Barb Unes and Jean Gronewold.

CONGRATULATIONS

Several of our members received recognition at the Morton Art Show in conjunction with the Morton Pumpkin Festival. Those receiving awards were:
Professional Category:
Kathy Sherman 1st
Connie Andrews Honorable
Mention
Semi Professional:
Deborah Schmitt 2nd
Way to GO!!!!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Patti O'Kane
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Email: artisinstudio@gmail.com

Diane Clark
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Peoria, IL 61614
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Deborah Christman
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Groveland, IL 61535
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Brenda Fondaw
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John P. Madison
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Normal, IL 61761
john@madison-art.com

MORE ART NEWS

Illinois Women Artists, 1840-1940
Exhibition at Lakeview Museum
Oct 1, 2011-Jan 15, 2012

Bradley University Symposium
Uncovering the stories of
Midwestern Women Artists 1840-
1940 Oct 20-21, 2011

Illinois Women Artists Project
<http://iwa.bradley.edu>

ART OPPORTUNITIES AND LESSONS

Manito Festival and Art Building

Just to let anyone interested know that there will be a Manito Wine Festival again next year. It will be held over Memorial Weekend and any artist interested in participating should contact Willett's Winery. Also, Willett's now has a building that once housed the pottery shop. They are wanting to have an artist or group of artist to lease it for a gallery. This could be a place for them to sell their art and even hold classes. If you are interested in either of these items please contact Willett's Winery at 309-968-7070.

Fall Classes Available at ArtIsIn Studio

Patti O'Kane 106 E. Main St., Princeville, IL 61559 309-385-4763
artisinstudio.com or artisinstudio@gmail.com

Muscle Cars, Monster Trucks, and
Choppers

Drawing Class 8-12 Year Olds
Wednesdays 4pm
Starting September 28th

Art You Can Hang
Adult Art Class
Thursdays 6-8pm
Starting September 29th

Presents to Paint!
Painting Class 8-12 Year Olds
Thursdays 4pm-5:30 pm
Starting September 29th

MORE CONGRATULATIONS

National Show Acceptance

Mary Ellen Carver has had 2 paintings accepted by Gallery 510 Arts Guild, LTD. In Decatur,IL.

- Watercolor – “Rainbow Gal”
- Pastel- “Cowboy and the Kid”

Opening reception will be October 7, 5:30 – 7:30 Pm at the Anne Lloyd Gallery of the Madden Arts Center in Decatur.

