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From the drawing board...

The 2017 Annual Dinner meeting of the Illinois Art League was held at Weaver Ridge culminating a great year for the league. Thank you to **Sherri Burritt** and **Roberta Schwandner** for providing such a beautiful event. A year of successful events only happens as a result of the hard work and dedication of those willing to be in charge. So, when you see the following individuals, give them a word of thanks and appreciation: framing workshop, **Brandon Wickwire** and **Barb Schreffler**; Ken Clubb's watercolor workshop, **Jackie Colgan** and **Leslie Walsh**; Annual Membership Show, **Debra Mielke** and **Bev Pullen**; Ignite!, **Gwen Bateman** and **Lynne Rettke**; Art Market at Weaver Ridge, **Barb Schreffler**, **Sharon Somers** and **the Committee**. So when you receive a request to help for the events planned for 2018, SAY YES!!! Already in progress, planning for 2018 is a hard working committee comprised of Barb Perry, Judy Ritchie, Flo Gaffney, Sherri Burritt, Bobbie Schwandner, Dawn Maloney, Debra Mielke, and Sharon Somers.

Also at the Annual Dinner Meeting it is the pleasure of the membership to accept by a vote the slate of 2018 Officers, and this proceeding was under the direction of **Marjorie Schwebel**. Your 2018 Officers and Board Members are: President, Sharon Somers; Vice President, Bev Pullen; Secretary, Sandra Hall; Treasurer, Barb Unes and Wayne Pullen as Co-Treasurer; Board Members: Brandon Wickwire, Barb Schreffler, Flo Gaffney, Sherri Burritt, Bobbie Schwandner, Debra Mielke, Judy Ritchie, Dawn Maloney, and Lynne Rettke. It is with great appreciation that we thank Jackie Colgan and Leslie Walsh, as they are stepping off the board, for their years of dedicated service to IAL.

The evening, as lovely as was the meal, the conversations and the recognitions', took on a special note when we honored two of our long standing artists; with the League, with their art, and with life, **Lois McCoy** and **Phyllis Pryde**. Thank you for a legacy that we can look to as each of us follow our own journey. Each are **Life Long Members** of Illinois At League. Always learning, doing!

You can check out a great article featuring Lois and Phyllis in the Sunday Nov 12th Edition of the Peoria Journal Star Section D1 Arts Plus. Also view on website www.illinoisartleague.com and [IllinoisArtLeague/Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/IllinoisArtLeague/)

IAL LIFETIME MEMBERS



Lois McCoy



Phyllis Pryde

PRAIRIELAND WATERMEDIA SOCIETY

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16, 1-3 PEORIA HEIGHTS LIBRARY

Bring: (1) a finished piece of art as a rendering from the VAN GOGH PROJECT to share and
(2) a gift- wrapped watercolor painting for the exchange.

Come and have some FUN with us this Thursday. Dale Kunz gave an informative illustrative lecture on the attributes of a Van Gogh painting at the October meeting. Using this Van "Gogh-ish" style, we are to bring a small painting (5x7) centered on a 8x10 paper. This is not required but it will be more amusing to see how each person paints! Remember to include some of these 14 points:
dark areas, swirls, hatchings, dots. plain black, plain white, no brushed blending, no blue without yellow or orange, night sky colors-violet-blue-green, sinuous lines for volume, avoid small details, minimize grays, paint 95% of the picture in 1 hour, and finish the picture by drawing outlines. Paint and have fun and Dale says, "Remember to include some dark areas!"

This is our year end gift exchange party...WHAT, NO PAINTING...COME ANYWAY & ENJOY!

~ REMINDER-NO MEETINGS UNTIL JANUARY ~

CONDOLENCES

Our sympathy goes out to Tom and Linda Sprouse, whose son, Kieth, passed away October 21st in Virginia after battling cancer. He was accomplished in many areas, including a gifted photographer. The family have shared many of his black & white photos as a tribute.

Ginger Sayles passed away in July, after moving to Texas to be near family. We will miss her.

Things to do and places to go

- Tuesdays in November **PLEIN AIRE GROUP** Meets on each Tuesday afternoon from 1-3:00 pm. Meets currently at Luthy Botanical Garden. Contact Leslie Walsh at 309-240-8363 or booklady2404@yahoo.com for current location and additional information. Bring you own painting supplies.
- PAINTING INSTRUCTION WITH DALE KUNTZ** Meets each Tuesday morning 9:30-10:30 at the Miller Senior Citizens Center, 551 S. 14th St. Pekin (346-5210) or contact Dale at 309-346-6742.
- Monday November 6 **IAL ANNUAL DINNER MEETING** Held at Weaver Ridge
No IAL Board meetings held in November and December
- Wednesdays
November 1,8, 15 **COLORED PENCIL WORKGROUP** Meets at Peoria North Branch Library time 2-4 Contact Karen Buenneke at 309-681-0168 for more in info. Bring your project to work on. Does not meet in December, will resume January 3rd.
- Thursday November 2 **COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS** Met at TGIF
Hostess was Phyllis Pryde and the theme was "Artist's Choice"
- Monday November 13 **ACRYLIC PAINTERS GROUP** Peoria Heights Library 9:30-12:30 Contact Jean Griffith 309-657-3874 jeangg38@gmail.com
- Thursday November 16 **PRAIRIELAND WATERMEDIA SOCIETY** Will meet at the Peoria Heights Library Time 1-3 Christmas Party with art gift exchange. Van "Gogh-ish" show an tell...check directions on page two.
NO MEETING IN DECEMBER!
- Monday November 27 **ALL ARTIST'S GROUP** at Humana Building on Hale St. Pioneer Park. For additional info: Contact Cindy Wamack at 309-691-1677 Time 1-3
cwamack@humana.com
- ATTENTION: NOVEMBER IS THE LAST MONTH AT THIS LOCATION. THERE IS NO MEETING IN DECEMBER. THIS GROUP WILL RESUME IN JANURARY WITH THE NEW LOCATION POSTED IN THE JANUARY NEWSLETTER.**
- Thursday December 7 **COLORED PENCIL EXPRESSIONS** Luncheon held at Weaver Ridge at 11:30
Bring wrapped piece of art for the exchange. RSVP Bev Pullen 385-2501

You are invited to **Susie Ryan Pottery** Holiday Open House. Saturday, December 2, 9-5
Her studio is at 514 West Madison Metamora, IL

Laurie Jean Moore Classes \$15 Plus Supplies

HELD at MICHAELS IN PEORIA 4-6 pm 309-740-9347 must register with store 24 hrs. prior to class. Tuesday November 14th... WINTER CARDINAL DRAWING, Tuesday November 28th... WINTER CALM, WATERCOLOR LANDSCAPE.

IAL MONTHLY MEMBER EXHIBIT

Peoria Heights Library 816 E Glen Ave, Peoria Heights, IL 61616 Open 9-6
Exhibiting acrylic and mixed media paintings for November is Cris Potthoff.
For additional information contact Roberta Schwandner at 263-5143 or raschwandner@aol.com
This is a chance for you to show your artwork!!! Take Advantage

GALESBURG CIVIC ART CENTER

114 E. Main St. hours: Tuesday –Friday 10:30-4:30 Saturday 10:30-3:00
Yvonne Ham is exhibiting in the Blick Gallery November 7-25
Opening reception is Friday, November 17 from 5-7
The gift shop is full of many one of a kind pieces of art for holiday shopping.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Bill More Family-13016 N. Kelstadt Brimfield, IL 61517 309-696-7049 themorefamily@gmail.com

Terry and Thomas Malone-1629 W. Lake Ave. Peoria, IL 61614 309-253-9953 tmmalone2@gmail.com

2018 Membership Renewal Time

If you have already renewed (Thank You) If you haven't already renewed,
please do so. Membership year is Jan 1st-Dec 31st.

Just mail a check for Individual \$30/Family \$40

to

IAL PO Box 3532 Peoria, IL 61612

Make check payable to IAL.

If you have changes with your information from last year please send the changes
with check. No new application form is needed for renewals.

Wayne Pullen membership chairman

wepullen@hotmail.com or 309-385-2501 if you have questions.