

FEBRUARY 2004 TAG NEWS

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A WORD FROM LARRY....

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We have a lot of good artists in TAG. Anne Hightower Patterson helped to prove that and helped those who brought paintings for evaluation, and all of us, learn more about what makes a good painting at our January meeting. Thanks, Anne, and thanks to all those who brought work for Anne to be evaluated.

Thanks also, to Harvey Burnette and others who have responded to my plea for information about TAG's history. Harvey rediscovered two boxes of material that are sure to yield rich information about the organization.

Our new calendar year brings a number of other opportunities for us to gain new experiences and learn new things. We are investigating the offer from the Capital Senior Center to hang members' work in their facility. We are also looking into what might be involved in creating a TAG web site. Here is something else to think about. Do you have art materials and equipment taking up room and cluttering up your workspace? Remember that "bargain" you just couldn't pass up a few months ago? How about having some kind of sale or auction of those unused items to either get some of your money back or maybe even raise money to TAG's budget. We would not be able to hold it at the recreation center where we meet, so if you think this might be something for use to do, give some thought to the details and to someone who might be good at heading up the project and give me some feed back. We will discuss this at future meetings.

MARGARET HOYBACK WORKSHOP:

The workshop is scheduled for February 10, 11, and 12. By the time you read this it may be full but call Nita Yancy at 772-9618 to see if there is room to participate in what will be a great learning experience. Margaret has recommended the following supplies for the workshop: an 8x10 or 9x12 spiral bound sketchbook that will lay flat while painting. Paper should be strong enough for watercolor washes. One or two of the sketches will be developed into a larger painting each day, so a few sheets of watercolor paper will be needed.

You can bring whatever watercolors you like, but Margaret's personal color list is: Cadmium Red Medium, Light Red, Permanent Alizarin Crimson or Permanent Rose,

Cadmium Yellow Light, Olive Green, French Ultramarine Blue, Prussian or Winsor Blue, Manganese Blue, Cobalt Blue, New Gamboge and White Gouache.

Brushes recommended are a one-inch flat, a #6 round, and a #8 or #10 round. Brushes that are close to these sizes will also be fine.

Miscellaneous items should include a palette, pencils (small pencil sharpener), erasers, permanent ink sketch pens, a #2B pencil, 8 to 10 colored pencils of your favorite colors, and a water container. Enjoy!

Thought for February: Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than the ones you did do. So, throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.

Mark Twain

JIM FINCH NEW PARLIMENTRIAN:

David Phillips' new job will prevent him from continuing as Parliamentarian. The Executive Board elected Jim to this post. Thanks, Jim, for pitching in yet again to help TAG accomplish its purpose.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS:

Verlie Patrick and Sue Martin both had paintings accepted in the Florence Museum Show. Searle Rowland has done paintings of the Cayce Riverwalk and the West Columbia Riverwalk. She has note cards of each for sale at the Cayce, SC Museum. She was commissioned by the River Alliance The Three Rivers Greenway to paint their holiday cards showing the Riverwalk.

THANK YOU:

Dodie Weston donated a large coffee pot to TAG for those cold nights when something warm is called for at our meetings. Jim Finch also donated a second pot. Thank you both from all of TAG.

HOSTESSES/HOST FOR FEBRUARY:

Becky Gibbons, Betty Atwood, Regina Moody, Judy Mitchell, Cindy Howe, and Harvey Burnett.

ANNUAL MEETING WITH SCWS:

The annual regional meeting with the South Carolina Watercolor Society will be held at 7:00 p.m. on February 19, 2004 at Seven Oaks Art Guild. The guild is located on Leisure Lane in St. Andrews at Seven Oaks Park. The speaker will be Liz Smith-Cox SCAC Verner Award winner and the topic will be "Preventing Burnout: Jump starting ourselves and our inspiration, ideas and motivation." She will show slides and talk about her own journey. Contact Gail Cunningham at 732-1713 for more information. Make plans to attend and have TAG well represented. Directions: From Columbia, take I26 to Piney Grove Rd, cross over the interstate and continue almost to St. Andrews Rd. Turn left before the railroad tracks at Leapheart Elementary onto Leisure Lane. Seven Oaks Park is on the left.

HILTON HEAD ART MARKET:

The Coastal Discovery Museum will present a juried fine art and craft show at Honey Horn on Saturday April 24 and Sunday April 25.

ONLINE NEWSLETTER:

Artists with computers may be interested in the newsletter from The Artist's Magazine. It is called the artists network and provides tips and ideas from several art related magazines. Sign up at www.artistsmagazine.com

MARCH PROGRAM

Dianne Buck will be the speaker and the topic is: "Mother Clay: Devine Creations."