

MAY 2004 TAG NEWS

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A WORD FROM LARRY....

1. Keep a “Journal”; 2. Make an “Art-Date”; and 3. Take a Walk! This was Candy Yaghjian Waites advice for nurturing our “creative selves” at our April meeting. A Journal is a way of “taking out our mental and emotional trash”, said one of our members, thus helping clear our mind for the creative energy we need. An Art-Date, i.e., visiting an art gallery, museum, or even a friend’s studio or some other place where we can view art is another way of stimulating our creative urges. And, just plain taking a walk and seeing, really seeing, what we observe on the way is another way to refresh ourselves. These and other suggestions that Candy made come from her years of experience, and from belonging to a creative family, as well as from the book *The Artist’s Way*, by Julia Cameron. What a fine program for this “renewing” time of the year. Thanks again to Candy and to Meg McLean for bringing TAG this program.

Your TAG Board of Directors has approved moving ahead to create a website for TAG. Paula Grookett’s research and her assistance has determined that this would only cost us about \$125.00 per year, and it has the potential for being an excellent tool for letting folks know that we exist; recruiting new members; and, bringing the work of our members to the attention of a larger (perhaps worldwide) audience.

Also, please look for another article in this newsletter regarding an inventory of TAG property and help us account for all our “belongings.” Thanks.

This will be our last newsletter until we begin our new season in the fall. Have a great summer, and as a tee shirt I purchased at City Art says, “Go to your studio and make stuff!”

MAY PROGRAM: Tom Rose will be our speaker May 10th. More inside.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS:

David Phillips and the nominating committee presented the following slate of officers for the upcoming year.

President: Larry LeFebvre

Vice-President: Pat Devoe

Secretary: Sally Marsh

Treasurer: Cindy Howe

Parliamentarian: Vacant

Publicity: Stewart Aleshire

Exhibit Chair: Barbie Mathis

We will vote on the above at the meeting on May 10th. Nominations from the floor will be permitted. If you or someone you know would be willing to fill one of the vacant position contact David Phillips at 796-3352 prior to the meeting. Be sure to attend our last meeting. ***YOUR VOTE COUNTS!***

HOSTESSES FOR MAY:

Anne Patterson, Barbie Mathis, Margorie Smith, William Potthast. One additional person is needed to bring ice and drinks. Contact Jackie Brantley at 787-3968 if you can help with our last meeting.

TAG WEBSITE:

At its regularly scheduled April 14, 2004, meeting, the TAG board approved the establishment of a website to promote TAG and the creative arts of our membership to the Greater Columbia community and beyond. The site will include information about the purpose and programs of TAG as well as our schedule of meetings and events, membership information with an application, ongoing exhibit locations, and officer contact information. An online gallery of works by TAG artists who choose to pay a nominal yearly fee for the web space or for a link to their own personal website will be added in the fall. Paula Grookett will be developing and maintaining the site which is currently “under construction” but will be established by our fall meeting. More information about this project will be presented at our May meeting.

If you are interested in establishing a link between TAG and your personal website or if you are interested in learning more about establishing a small gallery of your works on the TAG website, come to the May meeting or contact Paula at pgrookett@yahoo.com or 788-4631.

TAG INVENTORY:

Over the years TAG has accumulated several valuable and useful items. And, over the years we have lost track of some of them. We have a good system for storing and keeping track of our library, thanks to Sarah Jur our Librarian for many years, and to Pat DeVoe, our current Librarian. The Board is in the process of developing a system of keeping track of, and hopefully a secure method of storing these items at our

meeting site. To begin this process, we need your help to develop an inventory of what we have and where it is. Some of the items that we know about are listed below. Board member Regina Moody prepared the list. Other items we have some knowledge about owning, but cannot locate are some easels and tablecloths. If you know about these things, or other major items that we should include in our inventory, please get in touch with Larry LeFebvre at 254-9218, or at ljoe@mindspring.com with the information listed below. Thanks.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Date Acquired/Value</u>	<u>Storage</u>
Electric Coffee Urn		Forest Lake Park
Misc. Serving Items plastic box		Forest Lake Park,
Karaoke System House		Larry LeFebvre's
Slide Projector		David Phillips' House
Projector Stand		David Phillips' House

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS:

Congratulations to the following members juried into the SC Watercolor Exhibit on May 1st: Anne Hightower Patterson, Toni Elkins, Erica Hoyt, Barbie Mathis, Esther Melton, Meg McLean, Pat Spear, and Nita Yancey. Anne Patterson won the President's Award.

Nita Yancey was accepted into the Southern Watercolor Show in Fairhope, Alabama. Opening in June.

Toni Elkins won 4th place, President's Award in the Western Colorado Watercolor Society National. She also won an award in the Hilton Head Art League National opening in May.

Harvey Burnette was accepted in the Florence Museum Show April 22-May 30.

David Phillips will have a one-man show for the month of May at the Courtyard Coffee House, 116 State Street in West Columbia. There will be a drop-in on May 13th from 7-9 p.m.

Meg McLean sold two paintings at the Cultural Council's First Spring Arts Gala in March.

TAG MEMBERS SHOW:

If you missed TAG's 23rd annual show at City Art you missed a treat. Anne Patterson and her "helpers" are to be congratulated. Congratulations to the following members on their awards. Best in Show: Esther Melton: First Place: Anne Hightower Patterson; Second Place: Nita Yancey: Third Place: Larry LeFebvre. Merit Awards: Marty McClain, Jim Finch, Ed Schmunnes. Honorable Mentions: Dee Hansen, Chris Carsson, Barbie Mathis. Peoples Choice: Pat DeVoe.

PROGRAM SPEAKER:

Tom Rose will be our speaker for the May meeting. He will explain how and why giclee prints are made and what goes into making good prints. Tom explains: After 40 years of practicing Optometry, and 12 years in retirement, Carol Anne asked me to join her in opening A Carolina Gallery. I had already begun to make giclee prints for her at home. We purchased bigger and better equipment to make giclees for her and others while she painted and taught classes.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

I will continue as your newsletter editor for 2004-2005. If you have news for the September newsletter send it to me by August 10th. You can e-mail news to pb0471@aol.com or call me at 776-2181. *We want your news!*