



PAA NEWS

Calendar

Next Board Meeting

- ◆ **Wed., Dec. 3, 10 am,** at the gallery. All members welcome.

No General Meeting or Workshop in Nov. or Dec.

OTHER EVENTS

PAA's 3rd Annual Christmas Boutique

- ◆ **Friday & Saturday, Dec. 12 & 13,** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the gallery.
- ◆ **Also featured at the boutique Dec. 12:** A book signing by mystery novel author from Springville, **Marilyn Meredith.**

Next change-of-show:

- ◆ **Friday & Saturday, Jan. 2 & 3,** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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From the President...

Well, fall has finally arrived and you know what that means. Besides beautiful colors everywhere, even if you do have to look hard for them, it means the holidays are right around the corner.

Our third annual Christmas Boutique is the next event on our calendar and is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13. The boutique has become an exciting and financially successful affair, and along with the sales it brings to the gallery, it brings in many people from the community who might never have seen our beautiful gallery before.

So far, there are seven members who are interested in being vendors at this year's boutique, but there is room for more. There is no charge to show and sell your creations, although we do ask each vendor to donate one item for a door prize and three dollars to help with the refreshments. Vendors must also be present to show. Again, the dates for the boutique

are December 12 and 13, and the gallery will be open each day from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. If you are interested in taking part in our boutique, call me at 784-6678, and let me know.

Also, during this year's boutique, Springville author, Marilyn Meredith, will hold a book signing. She has written several mystery novels that are centered around different Indian tribes in California. Her latest book is about our local Native Americans and the surrounding area. I haven't read it yet, but hope to soon.

The first big calendar entry of the new year is for January's change-of-show. We will be receiving new items for the winter show Friday and Saturday, January 2 and 3, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving, and Christmas season. Enjoy your friends and family and try not to eat too much!

Carol

Thanks to our Members and Sponsors

Vedra McElfresh, our Gallery Director, wants to express her thanks to all the members who supported our sponsors party in October. We had a good turn out of people and those who attended had a great time. The music, donated by Ron Mead of Tehachapi, was wonderful and the catering by Gina Merritt was a real treat.

This year, we did not lose any of our sponsors per se, but their donations across the board were reduced by about half. With the unrest in our economy, this is not surprising. As a result of this and our rising costs, we are considering some options to help us cut back on our expenses. The unfortunate reality is that most of these options involve reducing the services we provide to our members and to the community.

We want to ask every member to consider making additional donations to PAA where they can. We really do not want to reduce our services if we can avoid it.

Again, "Thank you," from Vedra to all those who attended our "Circus" party, and "Thanks," as well to all our sponsors.

January Show Change

Friday and Saturday, January 2 and 3, we will be receiving new work for our winter display in the gallery. Pick up your fall display pieces and enter your new ones from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days. Standard rules for hanging work will apply, and we will hang the show Monday, Jan. 5. Come down and help hang. Volunteers are welcome.

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Member News

Are you scheduled to show somewhere? If so, let us know. Help us help you to get the word out!

Ruby Alarcon's show at **Design By Arenas Fine Art Gallery** in Visalia will continue throughout the month of November. The gallery is located at 208 W. Main Street, in Montgomery Square. Call 733-1981 for information.

Steven Louis Ball will be showing his latest paintings at his Springville studio on December 6 & 7, from 1-5 p.m. His

home and studio are located at 33721 Globe Drive in Springville. For additional information, contact Steven at 539-3420.

Manuel Abad, Flo Dearden, Don Hensley, Bob Bottoms, and Theresa Crowley all have pieces in **Tulare Historical Museum's** show, "Tulare County: Varied Impressions." The show will continue through December 28. The museum is located at 444 W. Tulare Avenue in Tulare. Call 686-2074 for more information on the exhibit.

S.H.A.R.E.S Program Approves PAA

The S.H.A.R.E.S. program being offered by Save Mart, designed to offer organization members the chance to shop for their groceries and help their organization as well, has approved PAA for participation. Program cards are being printed and will be sent to PAA.

To participate, members would swipe a program card when checking out, and 3 percent of their grocery purchases (for accepted items only) would be donated quarterly to PAA.

We encourage our members to participate by coming into the gallery and signing up for a card once they are available, and we will advise you when you can do this.

This program is a Win/Win for both Save Mart and PAA and we thank Save Mart for the opportunity. Remember, it only needs you to make it a success. Thank you in advance, members, for your help and participation.

We Need People !

It continues to get more and more difficult to find people to volunteer to sit at the gallery during the hours we are open to the public. Month after month, the same people volunteer their time to sit and be hosts. It is not fair to them and we want your help.

If you show your work in the gallery, you should be willing to give up three hours to help us keep our cooperative venture open to the public. If you can help, please call Vedra at 784-8748 or Carol at 784-6678. Or, when you are contacted and asked to volunteer time, please say yes. It will be a tremendous help to all of us to share the load.

PAA MEMBERSHIPS

Membership Year: June-May

Adults: \$30/ yr.

Family: \$40/yr.

Students: \$15/yr. (25 yrs. or younger and enrolled in school)

...Odds and Ends...

Jan Harris was the winner of our second small item up for silent bidding at the gallery. **Vedra McElfresh's**, donated book of watercolor paintings, *Splash #1*, was awarded to Jan for her bid of \$9. What a steal!

Virginia Wilson and **Michael Hansen** are both participants in Three Rivers Art Center Holiday Boutique, Nov. 28 & 29, 10-4 p.m.

Next Meeting & Workshop

Friday, Jan. 23, 7 p.m., Santa Fe Depot: Meeting & demo by **Deanna Sue Bristow.**
Saturday, Jan. 24, 10-3 p.m., S.F. Depot: Watercolor workshop with **Ms. Bristow.**

FUN PAINT-OUT IN THREE RIVERS

Our October 29 Paint Out at Noi Thomas' house in Three Rivers was a big success. About 10 PAA members and a couple other folks, showed up and we all had a wonderful time. Noi had several taste treats available ranging from a traditional Thai lemon grass soup to chocolate candy and cookies. Several of us painted or sketched, some read, and the rest chatted happily, enjoying the beautiful scenery.

Our thanks to Noi for inviting us to her beautiful home and for going to the trouble to make it such an enjoyable day of painting and conversation.

Best Wishes to some Friends

Our best wishes go out to three members:
Flo Dearden recently spent a week in the hospital suffering from intestinal difficulties and is now back home.
Edie Babb fell at the Beautician's a while

back and had to cancel teaching her oil painting classes while she recovered.

Clio Bovetti is back in town after a lengthy stay in the hospital, and says she is doing much better and feels pretty well.

Our Best wishes to all three of them!