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PAA NEWS

Calendar

Next Board Meeting

- ♦ **Wed., Jan. 7, 10 am,** at the gallery. All members welcome.

Next General Meeting

- ♦ **Friday, Jan. 23, 7pm** at Santa Fe Depot. Watercolor demo by Deanna Sue Bristow.

Next Workshop

- ♦ **Saturday, Jan. 24,** 10 am to 3 pm at the Santa Fe Depot. Watercolor workshop with Fresno artist, Deanna Sue Bristow.

Next Show-Change

- ♦ **Friday & Saturday, Jan. 2 & 3,** from 10 am to 4 pm at the gallery.

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and the Art Center Gallery
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From the President...

The third annual Porterville Art Association Christmas Boutique, was held at the gallery Friday and Saturday, December 12th and 13th, and seven artist-vendors displayed their wares for sale to the public. With our extended hours it was a long two days, but we enjoyed the time together and often traded items, which was great fun.

We had done far more advertising this year than for previous boutiques, but our current economic situation was ever-present on people's minds as both sales and the number of customers walking through the door, were far below any previous years. We, consider the boutique an excellent opportunity to focus the community's attention on our gallery and talented artists, and hope for a better economy next year.

The new phone directories are at the gallery, along with the S.H.A.R.E.S. cards from Save Mart. Please drop in and sign the list and take one of each. You may take more than one card, but be sure to write down the last 5 digits of the long number that is on the back of the card, so we have a record of it. Remember to swipe the card when making your purchases at Save Mart (or the other stores shown on the

card), and PAA will receive a check quarterly for 3% of the applicable purchases made. This could be a nice little ongoing income for PAA.

Bring in your new works for display and pick up your old ones at our next change-of-show Friday and Saturday, January 2nd and 3rd during regular gallery hours. Our standard rules for hanging works apply. We are looking forward to seeing all of your wonderful artwork. We still need people to help hang the new show the following Monday and for a cleaning crew on Tuesday. Thanks in advance to all those who give of their time for this.

This has been an exciting and interesting year for PAA and its members. We are still growing, finding new talent, trying new things, and becoming more involved in the community. You make these things happen. You, the members of PAA, are a caring, sharing group of people, and I am proud to be a part of this organization. I wish all of you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year filled with happiness, joy, good health, and lots of wonderful new experiences in art.

Carol

Member Directories Finally Ready!

At long last, our 2009-2010 Member Directories are finally here. You can pick one up at the gallery during business hours, and, best of all, they are free. That's something we can all appreciate in these rocky economic times.

On the outside, the booklets look the same as the old ones with the same bright green cover. On the inside, they've been updated, but the format is basically the same. If you discover an error in your entry, or have been left out, please let me (your editor) know. I apologize for being so late with this.

When you come down to the gallery to pick up your directory, you can also pick up one of the S.H.A.R.E.S. cards we have been authorized by Save Mart to use when we buy groceries. This is a savings program that should be a big help for us because the more members who use the card, the more money PAA stands to make at each quarterly payment. As mentioned above in Carol's letter, you just need to sign your name and write down the last five digits of the number on the back of the card, then use it when you shop. This is a great opportunity for us, so please use the cards whenever you shop.

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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!

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 continues through December 28. The museum is located at 444 W. Tulare Avenue in Tulare. Call 686-2074 for additional information on the exhibit.

Upcoming Meetings and Workshops for 2009

Friday, February 27, 7 pm, Santa Fe Depot: General meeting and Richard Norbeck Colored Pencil demo.

Saturday, February 28, from 10 am to 3 pm, S. F. Depot: Richard Norbeck Colored Pencil workshop.

Friday, March 27, 7 pm, Santa Fe Depot: General meeting and Valerie Tyrrell Clay Sculpture demo.

Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m. to 3 pm, S. F. Depot: Valerie Tyrrell Clay Sculpture workshop.

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George Tanimoto has donated a painting to our ongoing silent bid auction in the gallery. It is displayed on the counter at the entrance to the back room and will be open for bidding through January. Bidding starts at \$25. Hurry and get your bid in early! Thanks, George, for the donation.

Virginia Wilson will be having a Christmas Home Show at her house at 1864 East Lindmore in Lindsay, Dec. 20, from 10 am to 4 pm. There will be refreshments, jewelry by Tina St. John and lots of photos available for purchase. Call Virginia for more information at 562-2684.

Don Hensley is looking for back issues of *International Artist Magazine*. If you have

Manuel Abad has been asked by Marty Weekly to show at Courthouse Gallery in Exeter sometime in the near future. Congratulations, Manuel!

Manuel also had the distinction of having the highest bid price on a donated painting at the Christmas Miniature fundraiser show in the Museum section of the Courthouse Gallery building. In that show, attendees bid on small pieces hung on the tree. Again, our congratulations to Manuel. **George Tanimoto** and **Steven Ball** also participated.

Friday, April 24, 7 pm, Santa Fe Depot: General meeting and Shirley Lindgren Acrylic demo.

Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m. to 3 pm, Santa Fe Depot: Shirley Lindgren workshop in Acrylic.

May: Annual PAA Potluck Dinner at the Santa Fe Depot. We won't have to install new officers this year because their two-year terms end in 2010. This event has not yet been scheduled. We will keep you posted.

any you'd be willing to part with, let him know. You can contact him at 782-8376.

Best Wishes to Two Friends

Our sincerest Best Wishes go out to Sue Marcotte and to Vedra Mc Elfresh in your time of great personal concern. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and that if you need anything at all, you have only to ask.

All Our Love,

Your friends at PAA

January Meeting

Our first meeting of 2009 is scheduled for **Friday, January 23 at 7 p.m. at the Santa Fe Depot**. After a short business meeting, our guest artist and demonstrator for the evening will be Fresno area watercolorist **Deanna Sue Bristow** of the Alliance of California Artists.

Ms. Bristow will conduct a **workshop** in watercolor for us on **Saturday, January 24, also at Santa Fe Depot, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** This promises to be a good workshop, so don't forget to join us. See you at the meeting!

Video Workshop

Our January Video Workshop is scheduled for **January 9 at 1 p.m.** at the gallery. The video is on painting glass and lace in watercolor. Don't miss it.

PAA MEMBERSHIPS

Membership Year: June-May

Adults: \$30/ yr.

Family: \$40/yr.

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

January Show Change

We will be receiving new work for our winter display in the gallery Friday and Saturday, January 2 and 3. 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.