



PAA NEWS

Calendar

Next Board Meeting

- ♦ **Wed., June 3**, at the gallery, 10 am. Members are welcome.

Judged Show Reception

- ♦ **Sunday, May 17**, 3 pm to 5 pm at the gallery.

Annual Potluck Dinner

- ♦ **Saturday, May 23**, Santa Fe Depot, 6:30 pm.

Next General Meeting and Regular Workshop

- ♦ **Friday, Sep. 25, 7pm & Saturday, Sep. 26**, 10 am to 3 pm, both at the Santa Fe Depot.

PAA Officers

Carol Byker
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Note: Send newsletter submissions by 15th of month before publication. Call/email btungate2002@yahoo.com

From the President...

May for PAA means it is POTLUCK time again. The meat is ordered, that wonderful melt in your mouth deep-pit Bar-B-Q from J & R Meat Company, generously paid for by your board members. The hall has been reserved. It's the Santa Fe Depot, 280 N. 4th Street. You remember, it's the place where we have our general meetings and workshops. In addition to the meat, PAA will furnish the dessert, iced tea, coffee, and iced water. May 23rd is the date and 6:30 p.m. is the time. Bring a side dish, salad, or vegetable for 8 to 10 people, and your own place setting. Oh, don't forget your appetite. The plans have been made. Now, all YOU have to do is show up. This is a good way to relax with friends, enjoy good food, and have a good time. Lots of "goods" in that last sentence, but that's the way I think of PAA. Good friends, good artists, and good people.

Some of us have been spring cleaning lately, so there will be art magazines and other stuff for sale on a table at very low prices. If you have old "art stuff" laying around gathering dust, bring it to the potluck and donate it and we will sell it and put a few more quarters into the PAA treasury. There will also be 50/50 raffle tickets sold and Richard Norbeck's beautiful scratchboard painting of grapes will be there for you to bid on. See you there.

Carol

S.H.A.R.E. Cards Payment

PAA just received its first quarterly donation from Save Mart's S.H.A.R.E. cards program, and we are thrilled to announce that the first check was for **\$300.78!** This has exceeded all our expectations and we are grateful to Save Mart for allowing us to participate in the program.

Thank you to all of you who have been using those cards when you shop, and keep on doing it!

"Be Creative" Summer Library Events for Kids

The first two programs being offered by the Porterville Municipal Library in a series of summer classes, are set for **Tuesday, June 16**, at the Porterville Library, and **Thursday, June 18**, at Santa Fe Elementary School, from **4-6 p.m.** each day. These classes will be for elementary school aged kids and are being offered at no charge to the kids. All the necessary supplies will be provided. Programs for all ages are planned for later in the summer.

Mary Miller and **Carol Byker** have volunteered to assist at the first two events, but more volunteers are needed. If you want to help, call Mary Miller at 534-2526.

It's Time to Pay Dues!

The end of the current membership year is here. The new membership year begins June 1, and it is now time to pay dues for next year.

I am sure that all of you are as tired of hearing about money problems and the economy, as we are, always seeming to have to ask you to contribute more money. Unfortunately, that's how the system works. Your contributions to PAA cover our general operating costs, and other administrative costs. But, we still have to cover our annual scholarship donation (\$200), funds we contribute to teachers for Children's Art classes, receptions for our shows, and much more. We thank you all in advance for renewing early.

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and the Art Center Gallery
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Member News/Shows

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

Mason House Gallery, 147 N. Gale Hill Ave. in Lindsay, is featuring a show titled, "3 Tulare Artists," which will run through late May. Oil painter **Loni Kazarian**, watercolorist **Wanda Cottengim**, and pastelists (and PAA member) **Nancy Quinn**, are featured. A reception was scheduled for Friday, April 17, from 5-7 p.m. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Joy Harvey attended the April 3rd reception for a show at the **King's Art Center**, 605 N. Douty St. in Hanford, called, "**Cultural Connections**, an

Asian Pacific Heritage Exhibit." The exhibit features work by the Association of Chinese Brush Painters, as well as work by other artists. Joy participated in the show, which runs through May 30th. Call 559-584-1065 for more information.

Verne Chapman was recently awarded a Best of Show, a 1st Place, and a 2nd Place for his Metal Sculpture entries in the Veteran's Administration Art Show in Fresno. His Best of Show piece, "Dragon Fly (Let's Do Lunch)," will be entered in the Veterans Administration Cultural Arts Festival in San Antonio, Texas, in October, and Vern will be flown there for a week, courtesy of the V.A. Congratulations, Verne!

Don't Forget!

PAA's **Potluck Dinner** is **May 23rd**, at the **Santa Fe Depot**, at **6:30 p.m.** Bring a side dish, place settings, serving implements, etc., and help us eat some of that great deep-pit barbecued beef! We are counting on you!!

And, One More Time!

YOUR DUES ARE DUE!!

The new membership year begins June 1st. Help us stay ahead of the curve! Renew as soon as possible!

...Odds and Ends...

The picture currently on display and up for bid in the gallery, is a scratchboard by **Richard Norbeck**, called "Grapes." It will remain on display until May 23 and will be awarded to the highest bidder at our June 3 board meeting.

Because our **officers** at PAA are elected for terms of two years, there will not be an election this year. If you think you might be interested in being an officer and board member, you have one more year to make up your mind. However, volunteers are

PAA MEMBERSHIPS

Membership Year: June-May
Adults: \$35/yr. Family: \$45/yr.
Students: \$20/yr. (25 yrs. of age or younger, currently enrolled in school)

Friends in Our Thoughts

Last month, we forgot to mention **Don Hensley**, who endured a hospital stay and extended recovery period for a serious medical condition. We are happy to say that he is improving steadily and we wish him the best.

We were also thrilled to see our dear friend and fellow-artist, **Pauline Hayes**, at Citibank for a birthday party for Fran Lars Lykins. She is painting again and is getting better day by day. We're with you, Pauline!

Our condolences go to **Carol Byker**, whose brother passed away a short time ago. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Best wishes go to **Stephanie Tungate** who is nearing the end of physical therapy through Kaweah Delta in Visalia, after knee surgery in So. Calif. She will be home soon.

always appreciated. Call **Carol** at **784-6678**, or **Vedra** at **784-8748**, if you think you would like to volunteer in some capacity. Thanks!