

The Guild News

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MAY MEETING—OUR PLACE

Monday, May 18, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at Our Place, 790 North Dixie Suite 900, Elizabethtown, Kentucky

Theme: Children

Program: We will show a video on How Brushes are Made, which will take approximately 30 minutes. After the program we will take time to critique a few paintings if anyone is interested. Possibly next month we will have the other half of the video, which is How They Make Paint and also continue to critique paintings.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH—APRIL 2015

	WINNING ARTIST	TOTAL POINTS FOR YEAR
1st Place	Betty O’Rear	14—Betty O’Rear 7—Jo Friel 6—Phyllis Blakeman
2nd Place	Marilyn Matthews	3—Charlotte Brammer, Marilyn Matthews
3rd Place	Debbie Beyerlein	1—Elsie Hall, Debbie Beyerlein



“In every walk with nature...one receives more than he seeks” . Muir

Minutes of Meeting April 20, 2015

President Debbye Hassell called the meeting to order on April 20, 2015. There were 15 members in attendance at the meeting with one guest, Eulane Gardner. Debbye asked for the reports from committee chairpersons.

Betty O'Rear, Workshop Chairperson, shared some information that Lawrence Rudolech, who had recently presented a Saturday demonstration for CKAG, won 2nd place at the 17th Annual Paint Out in New Harmony, Indiana.

Joyce Lupresto, Programs, invited Phyllis Blakeman to share an idea that they had discussed. Phyllis has some Windsor & Newton videos that would be an interesting program for a future meeting. There was a discussion about who could bring the needed VHS player. It was decided that this will be the program for the next meeting.

Old Business: Charlotte Brammer explained that, with the delay in getting started on the sealing of the downtown mural, she is now unable to supervise the work. Phyllis Blakeman and Gwen Yarbrough volunteered to take her place and be present when Bill Blair does the job. Elsie Hall will contact Mr. Blair or will work with Mary Lou Hall to coordinate the process.

Phyllis announced that Hodgenville has a new art store—The Art Gypsy at 201 East Water Street Suite 3. It is owned by a couple who recently moved to town and who paints in acrylics and watercolors, makes jewelry and hopes to have some life drawing sessions. The shop features local arts, and some especially fine miniatures. Hours are from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. except Sunday and Wednesday, when they are closed. Their phone number is 270-696-3094.

Phyllis was congratulated on her successful Retrospective Art Show and sale. She was pleased that many pieces sold accomplishing her need to deal with a “whole houseful of stuff” and to benefit a good cause.

Members reported that CKAG member, Karen Hart's husband, had passed away. There was a discussion of how CKAG might best express condolences. The group decided to have a plant delivered to Karen's home after a little time has passed.

Janet Gebler, despite being travel-weary, stopped by quickly to share her enthusiasm for a collection she saw while in Philadelphia. It is referred to as that of “Dr. Barns” and includes work by some of the greatest artists of the previous centuries.

During the break members took a look at art pieces brought in for Artist of the Month. Those results are on page 1 of the newsletter.

PROGRAM: Joyce Lupresto presented a visual memory-building exercise. She would display an object for a few minutes, then drape it. Participants sketched the shapes as they remembered them. When the object was again uncovered, each person could see how accurately they had drawn the shapes.

Submitted by Marilyn V. Matthews

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Beginning balance 3-31-15	\$ 3,054.00
Newsletter preparation	50.00
Ending balance 4-30-15	\$ 3,004.00

BUSINESS EXHIBITS—MARY LOU HALL

	Radcliff-Ft Knox Tourism Center, 562 N Dixie Ave, Radcliff ,Ky 270-352-1204 Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Closed Sat & Sun <u>4 paintings</u>	Hardin County Public Library, 100 Jim Owen Drive, Elizabethtown, Ky 270-769-6337, library hours apply <u>1 large 4 small</u> (Use existing nails)	The Cecilian Bank-Oaklawn Branch 1808 N Dixie Ave, Elizabethtown, Ky 270-737-1593 Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.-4 pm Fri 9 a.m.-6 p.m. <u>6 large paintings or 6-12 smaller</u>	Cobbler’s Café, 125 E Dixie Ave, Elizabethtown, Ky 270-982-2233 Mon-Fri 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Sat 7 a.m.– 2 p.m. <u>9 paintings</u> (could be shared by two artists)
March 16- June 15	Rose Cooper	Gwen Yarbrough	Joe Myers	Jo Friel, Elizabeth Parks
June 15- Sept 21			Betty O’Rear	

The Business Exhibits will change on June 15. If you are interested in hanging your artwork at one of the above locations for the next time period, please contact Mary Lou Hall at 270-307-7156 or marylouhall@windstream.net

ARTIST OF THE MONTH THEMES	
July	Windows or Doors
Sept	Shoes or Hats
Every other month is Open—Any subject	

GET TO KNOW ME—CHARLOTTE BRAMMER



My name is Charlotte Brammer.

I have lived in Elizabethtown for 27 years. For the last ten years I have been painting in oils. I learned the basics from taking a class at church, then went on to study on my own, and of course, practice, practice, practice! Art was a big part of my life in high school. I studied it all four years. Once out of school, I chose a career in Cosmetology until God blessed me with my husband and three girls. Then family became my focus.

Throughout my life I have used the creative side of my brain, but not always with a paintbrush in my hand. I have dabbled in several art forms—crafting, basket weaving, sewing, and quilting to name a few.

Now that my children are grown and beginning their lives, I have more time to pursue my passion for painting. I love to do plein-air-painting in oils and watercolor. I also enjoy meeting with fellow artists to do still life paintings. It is so much fun to see each artist's perspective come to life.

Last summer with the guidance of Mary Lou Hall and Phyllis Blakeman, I studied watercolor and fell in love! We have some terrific teachers in our Guild. Everyone should take advantage of their talents. Also last summer every Monday morning, several art guild members came together to paint. Enthusiasm spread like wild fire! We created some great paintings; I can't wait to start again in June! I have won a few competitions, sold some paintings, and completed several commissioned works—but mostly, I paint for the pure pleasure of doing so.

In 2013 Wes Kendall and Ron Frye asked me to help paint the historic train station mural on the side of the old Western Auto building in downtown Elizabethtown. It was an honor to work alongside them. Several other members of the art guild visited to add small creative touches. We had so much fun creating this spectacular piece of art for our small town. I am proud to know that one day my grandchildren will walk by and be able to see some of my work in the heart of the city.

Now that my daughter's family has moved to Fairhope, Alabama, I plan to visit that historic little town full of artists of all kinds. It is near the ocean, so I plan to visit often and paint every chance I get!

"if you ask me what I came to do in this world, I, an artist, will answer you: 'I am here to live out loud'."

Emile Zola

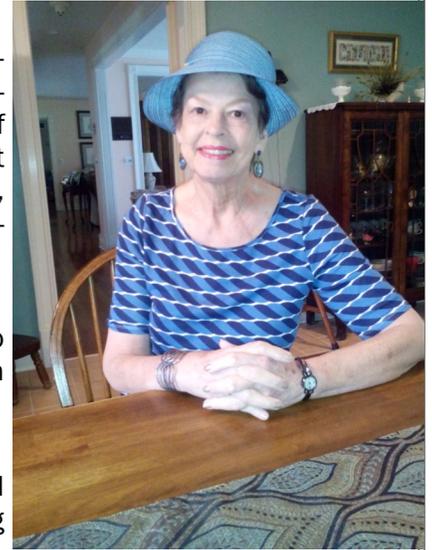
GET TO KNOW ME—ANITA FRIESS

I was lucky enough to have been a “War baby” and to mature during the glorious ‘50’s. Being an only child, I made good use of my “time alone days” by creating things from practically anything I could find—waxed paper, foil, scraps of material, paint and burned clothes pins (for Indian signs on the basement walls). Through the years since, I have been involved with ceramics, macramé, tailoring clothes (which was by necessity—not by joy), Thai Chi, Zumba, and exercising at the gym.

I was married to Charles G. Friess, D.M.D. for 43 years until he passed on to our Father in 2006. We had one daughter, Julie, and she and her family live in Hodgenville. I have been married to James Ward since December 2012.

I was invited to join Ms. Blakeman’s art class in 2009. This opportunity was and still is a joyful way to spend some time with good people...learning and striving to do better. My “hat off to you” Phyllis.

I have miles to go in my quest to be a worthy watercolor artist, and I look forward to more input from my talented Guild companions.



MEMBER NEWS

Carl McKinley will have an exhibit at the Louisville Art Affair, a juried art show featuring paintings, jewelry, pottery, fiber, glass and photography and other mediums by some of the best artisans.

The show will be at the Mellwood Arts & Entertainment Center, 1860 Mellwood Avenue in Louisville on Sunday, May 10 from noon-6 p.m. There is no charge for admission or parking.

The event is partnered with the Center for Women & Families, so donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies and flip flops would be appreciated.

REMEMBERING WITH KIND THOUGHTS...

CKAG members extend their thoughts of sympathy to Karen Hart and her family upon the recent passing of her husband. Hoping she will be back to join us at CKAG soon.

And a speedy recovery to Mary Lou Hall after having knee surgery Monday followed by rehab. CKAG can't do without you.



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