



Christmas Banquet

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THE FINAL EVENT of our fiftieth anniversary year will be a Christmas banquet. This will be a catered affair to honor our founding members. Cost will be \$14 per person. The caterer needs a count by Nov. 2. Sorry about the short notice, but we had a last minute change of caterers. Call Judy or Terry at 825-1608.

We will also have our usual gift auction, so start looking for some humorous, serious, or mysterious items now.

WVAA Auction Our semi-annual auction is coming up quickly. Although there are only a few tickets left, people can still attend the auction. The live auction starts at 7:00 p.m. Dan Woodson has kindly donated one of his paintings to the auction. The piece has a gallery value of \$2,800. It's a superb piece. Be sure come to the auction to see it.



REMINDER

Housekeeping Sometimes we need reminders. The heat has been left turned up several times lately. The front door has also been left unlocked. Paint spills on tables and floors are still being left. Before you leave the building, please check. If you're not last one to leave, remind the others

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

One of the goals for the organization this year has been to increase public awareness of the Whitewater Valley Arts Association. A look at the guest book would indicate that non-members make up a large number of the people attending our shows. The News Examiner has been great with coverage of our events also. The "Link" after school program has been bringing groups of students to see our exhibits.

In spite of the progress we have made, many people are still unaware of our presence. When told of our location, most people remember the old Haley Press, but are unaware that we now occupy that same building. In short, we still have a way to go.

We have decided to establish a regular schedule for all our show openings. We will continue our regular pattern of a show every two months. Next year each opening will be from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on the second Friday of the month each show opens. In other words, we will have openings on the second Friday of January, March, May, etc.

We hope this will establish a pattern of gallery visits for folks in the community. Friday nights can be a great night for dinner and an art opening. Spread the word. Tell your friends. Make it a habit.

While you are spreading the word, why not tell your other organizations about the WVAA? We would be glad to have your group hold a meeting during one of our shows. There is no fee for other groups who wish to visit us. We will also furnish gallery guides and program speakers if you need.

Be creative!

Annual Elections August was our annual summer pitch-in and election of new board members. Board members who will carry over will be: Debbie Coleman, Judy Hreno, Terry Hreno, and Delilah Rigsby. New board members elected were Tracy Burns, Lisa Gettinger, Cheryl Johnson, and Sharon McQueen. Their contact information is included at the end of the newsletter. Please welcome them to their new positions and offer them any ideas you have. Be sure to offer them your help too.

NOW at the WVAA Gallery

CONNERSVILLE COLLECTS 2012

September 14th-November 3rd

EVENTS

Exhibit and Holiday Show schedules

We will keep the "Connersville Collects" show on display until after the auction on November 3. Because of the auction items being stored at the gallery, it won't be practical to install the Holiday Show and Sale until the week after. Please have your holiday show pieces at the gallery by Friday Nov. 9. This will allow us to hang the show before Thanksgiving week.

Please include your name, title of the work, and price clearly on the back of the work. Please, please, please be sure that hanging pieces have wire hangers across the back. Again, the sawtooth hangers and tiny loops just do not work with our hanging system.



Photo: M. Smith

Auction Workers Cheryl Johnson and Lisa Gettinger

FOR SALE



The 2013 Calendars

are at the gallery for four dollars each.

They make great gifts. Take several and sell them to friends. Money can be turned in to any officer

AWARDS

Marilyn Smith won a second place award at the Rising Sun Show and a large cash award.

Cheryl Johnson won "Best of Show" and **Doris Martin** won a second place award in the Region 9 show at I.U. East.

WVAA 2012 DATES

"Holiday Show" opening and **Arts Walk**. We have combined the opening with the Arts Walk on November 29 & 30: 3:00 – 7:00, December 19:00- 1:00 p.m.

Holiday Auction and **Catered Banquet** December 19 at 6:00

ART EVENTS

"**First Thursday**" has been a lot of fun. The popcorn is almost as good as the films. While we are on the topic of films, how about giving them for Christmas gifts. Better yet, ask for some from Santa and share them with the rest of us on Thursdays.

Gary Schlueter has run a great series of art opportunities in his column in the News-Examiner. If you don't take the paper, you might contact him at: garyschleuter@gmail.com and get on his mailing list. We've been told that this e-mail doesn't work. If you have any info about it let us know.

The **WVAA 2012 Auction** will be held November 3. Save the date. Marilyn has been posting photos of our auction items on our Facebook page. Be sure to check the page from time to time at: <http://tinyurl.com/7oc797w>

Officers & Board Members

Contact Information

Terry Hreno	President
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