



Jan Schmuckal

A native of St. Charles, Illinois, Jan Schmuckal graduated from the University of Illinois in 1986 with a degree in Industrial Design, and spent the following years as a designer in the Point-of-Purchase industry. After many years as a designer, she had an overwhelming desire to start painting again, which she had not done since high school. She started out in a little makeshift studio in the corner of her apartment bedroom. At that time, Jan made a conscious decision to go in an impressionistic direction as an artist

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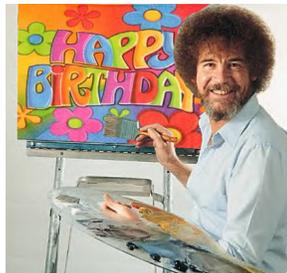
rather than as a realist because it provided a break from the realistic renderings that she did every day as a designer. To further hone her technique she pursued an ad-hoc education, taking workshops and classes from both nationally accredited and local artists. She entered regional shows, then national shows, placed her work in galleries, gave painting workshops, (quit her design job!) opened 3 successive art studios, taught art classes... and in 2005, Jan opened an art gallery in a 112-year-old house in Geneva, Illinois

A Word From the President

Dear Membership,

A nomination committee was formed recently to help fill vacancies on our PLAG Board for 2019. We need someone to volunteer as Treasurer, and if anyone would like to be President let me or Irmi know. We look forward to new people committing to serve.

Thanks,
Jim Sawatzki



Happy Birthday

Donna Hartley 11/26
Irene Pallon 11/3
Tsilla Reyner 11/16

Save the Date!

The Christmas Luncheon will be on Saturday December 8 at the Bella Panini in Palmer Lake.

Time, menu, and price will be sent out on separate email.
Gift exchange \$10 - \$15 and is optional.
Spouses are welcome.

Member News

From Tsilla Reyner

Evelina, Susie Rieple, Margarete, Layne Vinton (she does quilts at the PLAG craft fair), and I are doing the Gleneagle Women's Club Craft Fair at the Woodmoor Community Center on Friday, November 16, from 10 am to 2 pm, in case anyone from PLAG wants to come and say hello. Thank you . See you soon . Xoxo. Tsilla

From Margarete Seagraves

Tri-Lake Center's Annual 2018 Member & Resident Show

Dates: October 30 to January 25

Opening Reception: Thursday, November 8, 6 - 8pm

Please join the five PLAG members who are participating in this show:

Gloria Williams

Linda Roberts

Margarete Seagraves

Bonnie Wendelburg

Irmgard Knoth

Art Gallery Committee Meeting

Gallery Committee meeting – Oct 30, 2018

Attending: Susie Arnold, Wilhemina Steenbergen, Carolyn Stolz, Irm Knoth, Linda Roberts, Margarete Seagraves, Jim Sawatzki, Lynn Roth, Don Goodman, Marcie Edwards

Agenda:

Xmas Luncheon Date is Dec. 8, time to be announced. We are waiting on KT for the menu choices and cost, but we should have them soon. Gift exchange for those who want to participate (\$10-\$15 gift). Spouses are welcome to attend also.

Winter show - Dates are Delivery 1/29 12-1 pm; show starts 1/29; ends 2/23 10-12 am pickup; opening 2/1 6-8 pm. Lynn will get the entry form on the website so I can place call for entries ads, Margarete will supply Lynn images, etc for the postcards and posters to design these, and then will get them printed for the dec meeting. I will place ads and put on calendars in OCN and the Tribune. I will talk to the caterer at TLCA about the cost of her doing all the h'oduerves (or however you spell it)

Senior center show- No update as yet, not sure what is happening

Jan. workshop at Irm's studio – The business meeting will take place there also starting at the usual time. We will be doing acrylic pouring.

Feb. we will have another meet and greet at Irm's Tuesday Feb 5, 6-8 pm with a snow date of Tuesday Feb 12.

Mar. program Wilhemina Steenbergen will be doing her paper sculpture with hands on time.

April program open

May program – possibly former PLAG scholarship winner who will be exhibiting at TLCA for the month of May.

Minutes

PLAG Minutes October 13, 2018

Officers present: Marci Edwards, Linda Roberts, Bonnie Sands, Jim Sawatzki . Carolyn Stolz was absent, excused.

There were ten other members in attendance.

Welcome:

President, Jim Sawatzki, called the meeting to order at 9:30.

1. He thanked Irmie Knoth and Linda Roberts for bringing refreshments.
2. John DeFrancesco reported that the Sunshine Committee had no requests during the month.

Minutes:

Susie Arnold offered corrections to the minutes of September 20. Under Gallery Committee report:

The Gallery Committee decided recommended that the June show is to be dedicated to former PLAG member, Lou Marshall, Judy Wood and the \$500 in funds donated in her honor might be used for cash prizes for that show.

Marci Edwards made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Bruni Berkowitz. Motion carried.

Following a short discussion about the use of the \$500 donation, a motion was made by Susie Arnold and seconded by Margarete Seagraves to put the issue on the agenda for the November meeting to clarify the intention of the donation "for the benefit of the members." Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

As Carolyn was absent, Jim presented a shortened version of the report:

Checking: \$7213.13

Savings: \$5,973.92

CD: \$20,000

John DeFrancesco made a motion, seconded by Marci Edwards, that the partial report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Carolyn submitted electronically the following report:

Treasurer's Report SEPTEMBER 2018

Savings Beginning Balance as of 9-1-18	\$25,973.06
Deposit N/A	
Interest Credit 9-30-18	\$0.86
Ending Balance as of 9-30-18	\$25,973.92
2018 Scholarship = \$1,500.00; Savings =	\$24,473.92
Checking Beginning Balance as of 9-1-18	\$6,623.13
Deposits	\$580.00
Expenses	< 100.00>
Ending Balance as of 9-30-18	\$7,103.13
Certificate of Deposit as of 9-30-18	\$20,000.00
*Deposits: Craft Fair	\$580.00
*Expenses: October Rent	\$100.00

Note: PLAG IRS Form 990-N, tax return for tax year 2017 ending 30 June 2018 was

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*Monthly detailed reports available upon request to Treasurer
Submitted by Carolyn Stolz, Treasurer

President's Report:

1. Jim reported that he has not heard anything new about the new Jackson Creek Senior Center as a venue for exhibiting PLAG art. Irmi added that it might be worthwhile to check into the possibility of giving classes to residents when it opens.
2. The drawing classes at the Monument Library are being well-received
3. The September iron pour event sponsored by Jodi Bliss' Studio was a real success and PLAG's plaque will be donated as part of a planned larger community sculpture.
4. Jim reported that many community members confuse PLAG with TLCA both in terms of membership and in reputation for reliability. He suggested that members consider ways to distinguish our group.

Committee Reports:

1. Margarete Seagraves presented initial information and entry forms for the **Winter Show** to be held at TLCA from Jan. 29-February 23. She emphasized that artists submitting bin art will have a limit of 10 pieces. Artists submitting other types of art must supply their own display stands/cases etc. Susie Arnold has agreed to go to TLCA on the day that payments for sold artwork are to be distributed, thus ensuring that artists will be reimbursed in a timely fashion.
2. Irina Lazarova presented a brief **Craft Show** report on chairperson, Evalina Stoyanova's behalf. 27 vendors participated including 11 PLAG members. Income was reported as \$2,617 with some outstanding expenses to be tabulated. In general, the show was not as well attended as in previous years and vendors, subsequently, saw decreased sales. John DeFrancesco suggested that the Gallery Committee look into the Craft Show, in general, to discuss future changes/improvements/member participation in planning and execution and, indeed, whether the Craft Show should be continued, at all, into the future. All members, however, expressed a sincere thanks to Evalina for her outstanding work as chairperson for the 2018 Show.
3. Margarete Seagraves, Irmi Knoth and Susie Arnold agreed to serve on the **Nominating Committee** to seek officers for the upcoming year.
4. Irmi announced that she is planning for the **December Holiday Luncheon** to be at Bella Panini again this year. She will have menu choices and prices at the next meeting.

At 10:30 a motion was made by Bruni Berkowitz and seconded by Don Goodman to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Following the meeting, Linda Roberts presented a program on Fiber Art with a demonstration of felting techniques.