

# The Villages Art League Newsletter

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### Message from our Co-President - Fran Naughton:

Hello, Everyone,

Well, our fall show is over! I hope all 97 of you did well and had a good time.

I am very excited about the next few months! It's party time!



Diane Weekley / Fran Naughton

First we have our 30th year celebration (aka Hawaiian Luau, pig roast) on the 15th of November at Savannah Center at 4 p.m. So wear your best tropical duds and get ready to do a hula! BYOB, and there'll be a surprise!

Then we have our holiday party on the 2nd of December, so bring your goodies to the party and share them and a great time with your fellow artists.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving, everyone. Hope you get to share it with people you love.

Leaving you with a quote, "A picture is a poem without words." - Horace



### Artist of the Month—Kathy Hansen



I loved doing art from an early age and was fortunate to receive a fine art scholarship to Milwaukee-Downes Women's College, now Lawrence University. Upon graduation, I became a creative editor at Whitman Publishing Company in Racine, Wisconsin. My job entailed working with Disney and Hanna Barbera artists to plan and create color-

ing and activity books for children. I also edited boy/girl fiction and tested games that people sent to us. My first big creation was a Fred Flintstone coloring book based on Fred and Wilma's courtship!

I left this fantastic job to get married, settle down, and raise my six children. Now, after living in The Villages for over ten years, I keep busy with painting in watercolor and acrylics, and have developed a love for stained glass. How lucky are we artists to have all the opportunities handed to us in this wonderful place!











#### **Free Art League Workshops**

MONDAY 9:00-NOON

THURSDAY 1-5 PM MULBERRY REC CENTER

SATURDAY 8:30-11 AM PARADISE REC CENTER

#### Fee-based Art Workshops/Classes

Art workshop information is listed on our website here: <a href="www.thevillagesartleague.org/workshops.html">www.thevillagesartleague.org/workshops.html</a>.

For inclusion and to update, send your info to leda.rabenold@gmail.com.

Register for the Villages Enrichment Academy art classes: online, call 352-674-1800, or at any regional rec center.

## November Program—Phyllis Speicher

I have been painting porcelain for over 20 years. Of all the art mediums, I prefer porcelain art. I enjoyed taking lessons from several local teachers when living in Indiana and furthered my studies at the Indiana, Wisconsin, Georgia, and Florida Porce-

lain Art Schools.

I have studied under National teachers such as Brenda Morgan Moore, Barbara Bougher, Nancy Fisher, Margaret Fowler, Paula White, and Andrew Orr as well as International teachers such as Rosa (Venezuela), Felipe' from (Portugal) and Harem Ashcrafti (S



Rosa (Venezuela), Felipe' from (Portugal) and Harem Ashcrafti (Switzerland). I am a member of Florida World Organization of China Painters, VAL, VAA and LAA.

Porcelain art is an ancient art developed in China. The paint is in powder form then mixed in mineral oil, after painting the piece then the piece is fired. When painting, it has

the feel of oil paints, must be smoothed like watercolor and after firing has the look of watercolor. The piece is fired 3-5 times between 1300 - 1450 degrees. The first firing is the hottest then the coolest for the last firing. This allows the paint to be layered in the glaze.









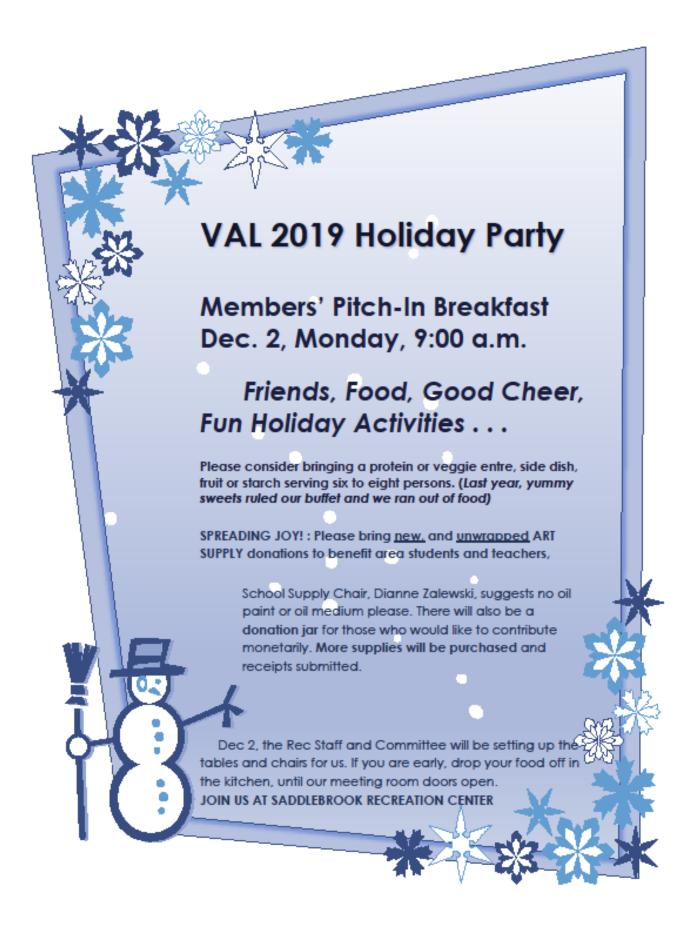


## Congratulations, Artists!

Ribbon winners of VAA's October-February **Annex Exhibit** are: 1st Place Kathleen Karol, 2nd Victoria Peterson, 3rd Leona Asta; Award of Merit Bill Skieczius; Honorable Mention Lois Kamp; Photography Diane Pattie.

Awards at VAA's **Artists Round the Square (ARTS)** on October 13 were given to: 1st Place Leda Rabenold, 2nd Maureen Terrien, 3rd Sandy Turnbull; Honorable Mentions Betty Eich, Phil Julian and Charlie Clayton.







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Business Meetings: 9-11:30 am the first Monday of the month at the Saddlebrook Rec Center.

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## Art League Places to Exhibit

**Eisenhower Art Exhibit** in the Eisenhower Regional Rec Center has a fine art exhibit that is not judged. Exhibit dates for 2019 are: Jan. 14, Mar. 11, May 13, July 8, Sept. 9 and Nov. 11.

La Galleria at La Hacienda from September to December.

Citizens Bank on Rt. 466, Rt. 441 or in Pinellas monthly exhibit. Also in Spanish Springs for the Artist of the Month.

**Summer Art Festival** held at Lake Miona Rec Center on July 13. **Artists' Showcase** held at Eisenhower Rec Center on October 26. VAL members can show and sell their artwork during these one-day events.