

2009

JANUARY

Card “Paint In”

Local artists will get the chance to use their imagination to create greeting cards at the **January** meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League scheduled for 1:00 p.m., **Wednesday, January 21**, at the Bay Club. Artists are encouraged to bring their watercolors, watercolor pencils, pen and ink, colored pencils or any other media that might be used to create greeting cards. Participants can also bring something already created that could be attached to cards that will be provided by the League. Artists will be giving brief demonstrations on the various media to help stimulate the creative juices.

The completed cards will be donated to the Artists’ League Gallery, which is located next to American Marine Bank in the Upper Village Center. They will be used to welcome new residents to Port Ludlow through drawings at the Gallery. A portion of the cards will be used by the “Sunshine Committee” of the League to help cheer up members who might be experiencing health problems or have had a loss in their family. Guests are welcome to attend. A donation of \$5 is suggested to help offset the cost of the card stock. For more information, please contact president Ken Thomas,

FEBRUARY

Silent Art Auction Helps Chimacum Students

The Port Ludlow Artists’ League is holding its fourth annual Scholarship Auction **Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14**, in the Conference Room of the Bay Club. Local artists will be offering up a variety of art related items for sale in this silent auction that benefits Chimacum High School students pursuing their college educations.

As in previous years, items up for bid may include original paintings in oils, watercolors and pastels; prints; photographs; pottery; tiles; textiles; jewelry; baskets of art supplies for visiting grandchildren or for a budding adult artist; tuition to local art classes; and hand-painted cards. All works donated are from members of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League and other local artists. Bidding opens at noon on **Friday** and runs through 8:00 p.m. that night. The Auction opens again on **Saturday** at 9:00 a.m. and finally ends at 2:00 p.m. Winning bidders may pick up their items at the Club through 4:00 p.m. on **Saturday**.

PLAL Janus—Looking Back and Looking Forward

Port Ludlow Artists’ League (PLAL) celebrated Christmas by “Giving their cake, and eating it too.” Forty members of the local organization enjoyed a cheesecake dessert and donated the money usually spent on a catered brunch or buffet luncheon to sponsor Christmas dinner and presents for a family of seven by providing them with gift cards to Wal-Mart.

Marti Mathis coordinated the event with many helping in the endeavor. The group enjoyed a great drawing and the following officers were installed for 2009: Ken Thomas, President; Wanda Mawhinney, Second Vice President; Fran Bodman and Jeanne Joseph, Secretary and Assistant; Judy Thomas and Joy Bland, Treasurer and Assistant; Reg Kleweno and Bev Nelson,

Members at Large; Barbara Adams, Past President. Mary Lynn Laker is Program Chair and has planned many interesting demonstrations and talks by talented guest artists. Annual dues of \$25 may be paid at meetings on the third **Wednesday** of each month or mailed to Judy Thomas.

Here is a sampling of our events in coming months: On **Friday, March 6**, at 4:00 p.m., Port Ludlow's First All Breed Dog Show opens in the lobby of American Marine Bank with Phyllis Hansen's spectacular artwork of dogs in all dog show classes. Free dog treats. **Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14**, the annual Silent Scholarship Auction at the Bay Club to benefit graduates of Chimacum High School, who are interested in pursuing an education in art and related subjects. **Friday and Saturday, July 24 and 25**, the annual Art Walk held in Port Ludlow Village showcasing many local artists and their great work. Be sure to save these dates on your 2009 calendar!

Artist of the Month

The Artist of the Month for the Port Ludlow Artists' League for **February** is Ann Arscott, who works in oils, pastels, watercolor, sumi-e and vividly colored Chinese brush painting. A love of Chinese painting led Ann to study at the China Institute in New York City. She has been painting in the antique style on silk and a more contemporary style on paper. These paintings include the traditional flowers, animals and landscapes. Her oils, pastels and watercolors tend to focus on the "vast spectrum of the natural world from the mountains, the sea, the canyons, the geological story in rocks, the ice, the water, the sky."

Ann's work has appeared in, and won awards in, numerous shows in New York, New Jersey and Washington. Her Chinese brush paintings have been featured in a show in Kyoto, Japan. Her paintings hang in many private collections throughout the United States. Ann's artwork will be on display in the lobby of American Marine Bank in Port Ludlow through the end of **February**.

Celebrate Ann's art and the display of fellow artists in the "First Friday" opening from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.,

Friday, February 6, at the League's Gallery located next to the American Marine Bank in the Upper Village. Other members' artwork on display throughout the month of **February** includes Patti and Gary Settle's in Coldwell Banker and Phyllis Hansen's in the conference room of American Marine Bank.

The Beauty of the Northwest in Watercolors

Local artist and member of the Port Ludlow Artists' League, Gary Griswold, will be demonstrating his method of creating watercolors at the next meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 18**, at the Bay Club.

Gary works in a fluid wet-on-wet style to paint scenes of the Pacific Northwest, classic boats and marine subjects. In his demonstration he will discuss all the tools he uses to create his paintings and then show how he uses texturing, washes and colors to create his paintings. Gary is a member of the Northwest Watercolor Society and a Board member of the Puget Sound Group of Northwest Painters and Art Director of the Port Townsend Aero Museum. He has shown at various shows and galleries around the Seattle area and his work can be found locally at the Courtyard Gallery in Port Townsend and at the Art

Mine Gallery in Port Hadlock, as well as the League's Gallery in Port Ludlow. He attended San Francisco Art Institute, Los Angeles City College and University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA). He has been teaching art classes at Akamai Art Store in Port Townsend and the Art Mine Gallery in Port

Hadlock. Guests are welcome to attend; a donation of \$5 is suggested.

A Cabaret Night in Parisian “Hot Club”

Leave our dreary winter behind and travel to The Hot Club de Bay Club for a cabaret night featuring the John Jorgenson Quintet in an evening of Gypsy jazz influenced by Django Reinhardt.

Before the concert and during intermission enjoy an exhibit by Port Ludlow Artists’ League member Ken

Thomas. After pursuing a successful business career, he now works in glass and sculpture in his Port Ludlow studio. Several West Coast galleries represent Thomas, and several of his pieces have been selected for corporate art collections.

MARCH

Phyllis Hansen: Finding the Peace Within

by Linda Karp, Contributing Editor

All through the month of **March** the Port Ludlow Artists’ League Gallery will be home to an “All Breed Dog Show” consisting of the artwork of Port Ludlow artist Phyllis Hansen. Phyllis’s work is recognized and loved by all those who love animals.

The artist also has been a mother, a teacher, a community activist with interests in voter education, prison reform, International Training in Communication (ITC), 4-H, the Nuclear Safeguards Initiative and neighborhood hazardous waste problems. In Port Ludlow she has been a part of the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Trails Committee and was president of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League in 2006.

Phyllis and husband Bill spent 30 years as sheep breeders on their farm in Battleground, Washington. It was there she began her training in art—first depicting the scenery around her, the trees, hills and flowers. Frustrated by her feelings of unrest, she took Bill’s suggestion and began to paint her true love, the sheep and their protector llamas. After moving to Port Ludlow, she continued painting the animals she loved as well as portraits of locals’ pets.

Then a serious health issue put a screeching halt to everything she was doing. From Phyllis’s point of view, being told her disease was incurable was actually a gift. For years she had felt drawn to search for fulfillment, true happiness and peace, but never had the time. There was just too much to do.

“I always thought I had to go away someplace to deepen my understanding of life. That place, I discovered, is within; and it’s always there for me to tap into.” She spends a part of each day reading material that lifts her to a greater level of awareness, in contemplation, and in meditation and prayer. “I feel we are here in our lifetime to discover the true meaning of ourselves, to accept and love ourselves and others, to learn forgiveness and to have gratitude for each and every day. My intent is to be at peace and to experience joy every day. Painting dogs helps me to achieve those goals.”

In the “All Breed Dog Show” Phyllis will share with us her joy of painting these beloved animals, including her newest creations, *The Illustrated Rainbow Bridge Story* and her homemade dog treats. (See related article on page 12 with details on a reception for Phyllis and the show, **Friday, March 6.**)

Artist of the Month

The Artists’ League Artist of the Month for **March** will be Phyllis Hansen, who will be displaying Port Ludlow’s First All Breed Dog Show at American Marine Bank. Her watercolor portraits will represent all seven American Kennel Club groups, from Sporting Dogs to Herding Dogs.

Phyllis is well known around Port Ludlow for her watercolor portraits of animals, including many Port Ludlow dogs. “Dogs demonstrate emotional and spiritual connection to the source of life,” she says.

“They help us appreciate the joy of being.” She is particularly proud of her illustrated Rainbow Bridge story, which hangs with paintings of her Lakeland terrier, Peaches.

Besides painting various animal species, Phyllis has also worked in pen and ink and explored working on Yupo paper. She provided the botanical artwork for the Interpretive Trail signs and was the President of the Artists’ League in 2006.

Phyllis’ art will be celebrated with a reception from 4:00–5:00 p.m., **Friday, March 6**, in the lobby and conference room of American Marine Bank in the Upper Village. A sample of Peaches’ Nutritious Nibbles will be given to dog owners. The reception continues until 6:00 p.m. in the Artists’ League Gallery, located next door to the bank.

Silent Art Auction to Help Chimacum Students

For the fourth year the Port Ludlow Artists’ League is sponsoring its Scholarship Auction from Noon, **Friday, March 13**, until 2:00 p.m., **Saturday, March 14**, in the conference room of the Bay Club.

This is a wonderful opportunity to pick up artwork and art-related items by local artists and at the same time help college-bound Chimacum High School students.

As in previous years items up for bid may include original paintings in oils, watercolors and pastels, prints, photographs, pottery, tiles, textiles, jewelry, baskets of art supplies for visiting grandchildren or for a budding adult artist, tuition to local art classes, and hand painted cards. All works donated are from members of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League and other local artists.

Items will be offered through a silent auction with bidding opening at Noon on **Friday, March 13**, and running through 8:00 p.m. that night. The Auction opens again at 9:00 a.m. on **Saturday, March 14**, and finally ends at 2:00 p.m. Winning bidders may pick up their items at the Club through 4:00 p.m. that afternoon.

With generous community support the League has been able to provide nearly \$8,000 for college scholarship money from previous auctions. Thanks to this money ten area students have been helped in their pursuit of a higher degree.

For more information or to donate an art-related item, please contact Ginny Ford at vpatrikford@aol.com. or 437-2298.

Brilliant Watercolors from Featured Artist

Watercolorist Nancy Collins is the featured artist at the **March** meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League at 1:00 p.m., **Wednesday, March 18**, at the Bay Club.

Nancy comes to Port Ludlow from Fort Bragg, California, where she has been a regular instructor with the Mendocino Art Center for over ten years. Her brilliantly-colored watercolor paintings have been featured in *American Artist* magazine and in one-woman shows at Stanford University and the City of Hope in Beverly Hills. Her paintings are currently displayed in galleries and restaurants throughout Northern California.

Guests are welcome to attend the Port Ludlow Artists’ League meetings. A donation of \$5 is suggested. For more information about the League and its programs, please contact President Ken Thomas, 437-7906, or plal9pres@gmail.com.

While in town Nancy Collins also will be conducting a “Not Just Another Duck” watercolor workshop, where she will focus on expanding the color palette to create a painting of geese and other water birds.

The workshop will run two days, **Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21**. All levels of skill are welcome to attend; the cost for the two days is \$170. Please contact Marti Mathis, 437-2704 or marti@waypt.com to reserve your space and to get details on the workshop.

Contemporary Traditional Celtic Band to Perform Here and at Chimacum Schools

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Port Ludlow Arts Council

On **Thursday** evening, at 7:30 p.m., Craicmore will tperform for Port Ludlow audiences at the Bay Club. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for seat selection and socializing. Artwork in glass and clay by Judy Thomas of the Port Ludlow Artists' League will be on display.

APRIL

Artist of the Month

by Linda Karp, Arts and Entertainment Assistant

Port Ludlow Artists' League has chosen Barbara Adams for Artist of the Month for **April**. She is known for drawing local scenes with watercolor pencil and ink enhancement. Barbara has taken art lessons all her life from many artists, and she believes most all have had an influence on her approach to drawing and painting, with acrylics, oil, watercolor, pen (or twig) and ink. She won "Best Composition" in the League's "Mixed Media Challenge" competition and had two entries accepted in Northwind's "About Face Juried Art Show, 2008."

Earning a degree in Elementary Education combined with a minor in Art Education from Oklahoma State University prepared Barbara to be a teacher in Oklahoma, Nebraska, Arkansas and finally in Moscow, Russia, where she and Bill lived from 1994–96 before retiring to Port Ludlow.

Barbara's work can be seen at the Port Ludlow Artists' League Gallery. Note cards printed from original paintings are for sale, and personalized note cards may be special ordered. Commissioned paintings from a photo of house, garden, golf or water scene are accepted.

Celebrate Barbara's work at a special reception on **Friday, April 3**, from 4:00–5:00 p.m. at American Marine Bank and from 5:00–6:00 p.m. in the League's Gallery next door.

Other members' artwork on display through the month of April includes Virginia Moyer's photography in Coldwell Banker and Wanda Mawhinney's mixed media artwork in the conference room of American Marine Bank.

Artists' League Demos Brush Technique

"There is something about picking up a brush and turning a plain surface into something beautiful that really gives me a huge sense of gratification," says Bob Jamison, who will be the guest artist at the **April** meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League. The meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m., **Wednesday, April 15**, at the Bay Club.

Bob works in mixed media using brush, palette knife and airbrush to obtain the desired effect. He likes to paint on location, after which he often produces Giclée canvas prints of his work in his studio. He will be demonstrating his technique at the **April** meeting and plans to have a finished canvas by the end of the meeting.

Bob has been painting since he was in the third grade and often painted with his mother. This led to a college degree in fine arts and the opening of the first arts program at Eastern Idaho Technical College. He also taught night classes at Idaho State University and workshops at many local art galleries. Today Bob paints murals, landscapes, portraits, garden art, seascapes, florals, bathroom art and pet portraits.

Guests are welcome to attend the Port Ludlow Artists' League meetings. A donation of \$5 is suggested.

Judy Thomas of the Port Ludlow Artists' League will display her work in glass and clay. "Clay is the most gratifying of art forms because of its tactile qualities," she says. About 10 years ago she began working with fusing glass and has created a variety of pieces that emphasize the play of bright color and

geometric shapes against a dark background. She likes the uncertain quality of glass when it is fired—always an exciting experience because of the volatile nature of glass.

MAY

Artists' League's Artist of the Month

Artist of the month for May is Pattie Settle, who creates brilliant acrylic paintings. Wanting to be an artist ever since she was a schoolgirl, Patti studied art at the University of Kansas before taking a semester at the Art Institute of San Miguel de Allende in Mexico. She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Washburn University of Topeka with a minor in drawing and painting.

Patti was the last managing editor of *Seattle Woman Magazine* and later did marketing for Tim Girvin Design, a major graphic design firm in Seattle. Later she became marketing director for Design Sight, a smaller Seattle design firm owned by her son Chris.

In April she had a show at the Small World Gallery in Lindsborg, Kansas, and participated in a spring exhibit in Topeka's Mulvane Art Gallery as part of Washburn University's alumni art show. One of her paintings was also selected for the cover of Washburn's spring alumni magazine.

Celebrate Patti's work at a special reception on **Friday, May 1**, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at American Marine Bank and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the League's Art Gallery next door.

Other members' artwork on display through the month of June includes Betty Cooper with watercolor paintings in Coldwell Banker and Wanda Mawhinney with mixed media artwork in the conference room of American Marine Bank.

Artists' League Offers Sumi-e Demonstration

The ancient and flowing style of Sumi-e painting will be the focus of the May meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League, Wednesday, May 20, 1:00 p.m., at the Bay Club. Jeanette Best will demonstrate the minimalist style of Sumi-e, which distills principles of life and nature to a few brush strokes. The art of sumi painting dates back to 700 A.D., evolving from Chinese brush calligraphy. As an art form, calligraphy has existed since the Chinese invention of handmade paper in 105 A.D.

Jeanette will demonstrate the interaction of the brush, ink and water on the very absorbent rice paper. Chinese/Japanese water colors will also be demonstrated along with the triple loading of the brush. The audience will be encouraged to try the materials Jeanette has brought and demonstrated.

A member of the Puget Sound Sumi Association since 1997, Jeanette has studied sumi and coordinated work-shops with sumi instructors for many years. She has traveled to China twice to experience the vistas so much a part of Oriental painting. Her paintings can be seen at the Port Townsend Gallery. She is currently Chairman of the Board of Northwind Arts Alliance and Director of Art Port Townsend.

Guests are welcome to attend the Port Ludlow Artists' League meetings. A donation of \$5 is suggested.

JUNE

Artists' League Sponsors Photography Talk

Why do we take pictures? Why do we want to show them to people? How can we make better pictures, instead of just snapshots? These, and other questions, will be the focus of a talk and demonstration by local photographer, Gary Settle, when he speaks to the Port Ludlow Artists' League, **Wednesday, June 17**, 1:00 p.m., at the Beach Club.

Gary brings the experience of a 45-year career in photojournalism when he talks about photography. With a journalism degree from the University of Kansas, he worked at newspapers

in Kansas and Delaware, at *The Chicago Daily News* in the late 60s, and then at *The New York Times* through most of the 70s. He was named Newspaper Photographer of the Year twice, in 1968 and 1970.

In 1979 he moved across the country to join *The Seattle Times* as the Assistant Managing Editor/ Graphics, in charge of the newsroom's photography and art departments. He's been a speaker at several photography short courses and the Missouri Photo Workshop. He was president of the National Press Photographers Association in 1978-79.

Gary's work has been published in *Time*, *Life*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Boys' Life* and *Sunset* magazines, as well as in several books. During his career, he's photographed Presidents Eisenhower, Johnson, Nixon, Ford, Carter and Reagan, as well as young Bill Clinton when he was running for Congress in Arkansas.

He has also photographed a varied list of people such as Muhammad Ali, Liberace, Louis Armstrong, Truman Capote, Lauren Bacall, Golda Meir, Henry Kissinger, astronaut Neil Armstrong, Joe Namath, Gale Sayers, Ernie Banks, A.J. Foyt, the Beatles, the Grateful Dead, the Chicago Seven, Diana Krall, Bill Gates and many of his good neighbors in Port Ludlow. Guests are welcome to attend the Port Ludlow Artists' League meetings. A donation of \$5 is suggested.

As the Artist of the Month for **June**, Gary's work will be on display in the lobby of American Marine Bank. Among some of his photography will be works that he recently displayed at a two-person show (along with his wife, artist Patti Settle) at the Small World Gallery in Lindsborg, Kansas. Some of Gary's recent photography can be seen on the Artists' League website at <http://sites.google.com/site/portludlowartleague/gary-settle>.

Celebrate Gary's work at a special reception on **Friday, June 5**, 4:00–5:00 p.m., at American Marine Bank and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the League's Art Gallery next door. Other members' artwork on display through the month of **June** includes Betty Cooper with watercolor paintings in Coldwell Banker and Wanda Mawhinney with mixed media artwork in the conference room of American Marine Bank.

JULY

Artists' League's Two-day Art Walk

More than 30 artists are slated to be part of the Eighth Annual Art Walk, **Friday and Saturday, July 24 and 25**, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., at both the Upper and Lower Village Centers. This yearly tradition showcases the talents of local artists as they display their creativity in front of shops at the two villages, as well as at the new Madrona Hill Urgent Care facility. Artwork will also be on display inside the two Port Ludlow banks and the Community Church. Parking will be available in the Church's parking lot.

The variety of artwork this year will be a broad variety of media such as beads, jewelry, photography, watercolors, collage, acrylics, mixed media, oils, pen and ink, wooden boxes, floor cloths, fused glass, sculpture, and, new for this year, basket weaving. Refreshments will be available at many of the artists' booths. (See a picture of one artist's work on the back cover.) A sampling of all the participating artists' work will also be on display at the Marina. In addition, a "challenge" featuring artwork using pieces of driftwood by the members of the Artists' League will be available for viewing in the lobby of the American Marine Bank.

Again this year is a raffle with a prize donated by Port Ludlow Associates (PLA). The winning ticket will be drawn at the conclusion of Art Walk and you need not be present to win a room at

The Inn At Port Ludlow with continental breakfast and two 18 holes of golf with a cart. Tickets may be purchased at the Artists' League Gallery and at the Art Walk. The price per ticket is \$1 or \$5 for six tickets.

Look for bright yellow signs directing visitors to the various Art Walk destinations, as well as the lamp-post banners along Paradise Bay Road. Come and browse the Art Walk for unusual and interesting artwork from local artists. If you are an artist interested in participating in this Art Walk, there are still some spaces available. Please contact Judy Thomas if you are interested. Thanks to the Art Walk Committee: Fran Bodman, Jeanne Joseph, Marti Mathis and Judy Thomas for this year's coordination. Thanks also to the Art Walk sponsors: American Marine Bank, Kitsap Bank, Port Ludlow Chamber of Commerce, PLA, Bob and Clydene Lloyd of John L. Scott, and Port Ludlow Artists' League

Artists' League Awards Scholarships

The Port Ludlow Artists' League has announced the 2009 recipients of its scholarships. At the Awards Night on June 2, three Chimacum High School graduating seniors received a certificate for \$500 each to help pay college expenses.

Jaime Friedrich hopes to work in a field where she can "inspire people," perhaps using her skills as a singer. Jaime has been an active student at Chimacum High School, participating in such diverse activities as basketball, soccer, Spanish Club, Chess Club and Big Brothers/ Big Sisters of America. She is class president as well as a member of the National Honor Society. Jaime plans to pursue a degree at either Western Washington University (WWU) or the University of British Columbia (UBC). She graduates with a GPA of 3.8 and is ranked fifth in her class.

Ashley Lynes is a passionate journalist and is credited with revitalizing the school newspaper, *The Cowboys' Spur*. She dreams of working one day for *The New York Times*, *The Seattle Times* or some other recognized newspaper. She is investigating a number of universities where she will pursue the study of journalism. She graduates with a 3.5 GPA and is ranked 14th in her class.

John Snelgrove is recognized for his musical abilities playing the guitar, piano and a little bit of saxophone. He was the youngest student at the Centrum Jazz Camp in 2004 and has performed in various venues around the peninsula. He will be attending Willamette University in Salem, Oregon. He graduates with a 3.8 GPA and is ranked eighth in his class.

The League will also be donating \$500 to Bethany Friedrich, who received scholarship money in two previous years to continue her studies at WWU.

AUGUST

Just Janie and Joy!

Artwork by Janie Ballard and Joy Herring, a.k.a. the "Just Janie & Joy!" show, will be featured throughout August in the lobby of American Marine Bank. To kick off the show, a special reception will be held on **Friday, August 7**, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the bank and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Artists' League Gallery next door.

Janie Easley Ballard works in watercolor, pen and ink, and collage. “The manner in which I view the natural world has been changed by my desire to create art. Attempting to reproduce ‘a thing of beauty’ (the many beautiful colors in nature or the interplay of light and shadow) requires a focus on detail to correctly express the whole. Persistence and patience are required to carve out a picture with a brush, paper and paint,” she says. Ballard comes originally from a small farming town in central California, where she first learned to see detail and appreciate the sights of nature. She lives with her husband in Port Ludlow and is actively involved as a member of the Artists’ League and the North Bay Art Group. Her work may be seen at the League’s Art Gallery. She has been juried into local art exhibits. Her artwork can be viewed at <http://sites.google.com/site/janieeasleyballard/>

Joy Herring is an award winning artist whose works are in homes throughout the United States and world. In the past she has exhibited in many of the juried shows on the West Coast. She also has exhibited in Nordstrom stores in the southern U.S. and has done national contractual work for the Nordstrom corporation. Herring’s paintings concentrate on garden scenes and landscapes. She is classified as a colorist and employs both negative and positive painting techniques. She has taught watercolor at the Bay Club for the past six years and previously at the Women’s University Club in Seattle.

Artists’ League Demonstration: “Wet in Wet” Technique

Watercolor artist Judy Courtwright will demonstrate the way to paint using the “wet in wet” technique at the Port Ludlow Artists’ League meeting on **Wednesday, August 19**, 1:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. During her demonstration, Courtwright will lay out a composition, rough in the major shapes using the wet in wet watercolor technique, and then develop detail. She will work from a photograph to show the stages of the painting’s development and the way layers of paint are applied.

“We’ll begin with thumbnail sketches to select and refine our composition and test hues,” Courtwright explains. “Gesture drawing is an age-old method for studying drawing, but we will use it differently to lay out our painting. After defining no more than five major shapes, we’ll begin to alter values to develop detail.” Courtwright has taught painting, drawing, sculpture, creativity and calligraphy for 27 years and presented programs for the Artists’ League on three occasions. The past few years she has been primarily teaching by invitation in the U.S. and Canada at art leagues and art supply stores.

This fall she will offer two workshops locally. A major exhibit of Courtwright’s work will open in August at the Art Mine in Port Hadlock. Her presentation to the Artists’ League will demonstrate one of the styles of work that will be featured in the exhibit. Guests are welcome to attend the Artists’ League meetings.

A donation of \$5 is suggested.

Summer Mixer and Art Walk are Resounding Successes

Thank you to all the businesses, Friday Market Vendors, and our singer, Charlie Ferris, for contributing to an outstanding Summer Mixer! Because the Port Ludlow Chamber mixers are open to all our community members, the mixers offer the perfect opportunity to get to know local business owners in a relaxed, social atmosphere and on a more personal level. Friends helping friends attain success!

Congratulations to the Port Ludlow Artists’ League for another successful Art Walk. The local businesses provided space for the artists’ galleries that in turn, brought residents and tourists in the business doors—a perfect example of a cooperative event that promotes “shopping local.” The Chamber thanks the Art Walk Chairs, namely Fran Bodman, Jeanne Joseph, Marti Mathis

and Judy Thomas, for all your hard work! Your Chamber is honored to continue sponsorship of the annual Art Walk.

SEPTEMBER

Featured Artists of the Month

The husband and wife team of Harry and Francy Gronewald will be the Port Ludlow Artists' League featured artists in the lobby of American Marine Bank during the month of **September**. To kick off the show, a special reception will be held **Friday, September 4**, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., at the Bank and then move to the League's Art Gallery next door from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Harry Gronewald is a native of the Northwest. He is a graduate of Oregon State College where he graduated with an engineering degree and a commission in the United States Air Force. His career as a pilot provided an opportunity for him to photograph many interesting parts of the world and then use his photography to explore watercolor painting, some of which will be included in the exhibit.

Francy Gronewald has been painting in oils since she was twelve years old. She studied art at the University of Arizona, Alan Hancock College in California, and with various private tutors in scenic years. During a three-year tour in Bermuda, she was a member of the Bermuda Art Society and sold many of her landscapes. She has created art works in watercolor, chalk and acrylics. Influenced by her husband's keen interest in photography, she, too, has been having fun with her digital camera.

They both say it is difficult to find enough time to depict all of the wonderful things there are to put on canvas or paper, but they will keep trying.

The Joy of Sculpture

Artist Phoebe Huffman will demonstrate her joy of clay at the Port Ludlow Artists' League meeting, **Wednesday, September 16**, 1:00 p.m., at the Beach Club. Huffman will bring clay and tools to show the wonderful versatility of pliable sheets of clay. She will also bring greenery and flowers to show how sculptures can be wrapped and made ready for "saggar firing." She also will show her technique to create sculpted tiled pieces. Attendees will have the opportunity to try their own hands at playing with the clay and creating a piece of art.

"I have always loved clay and sculpture," Huffman says. "I experimented with sculpture all through my childhood, so I am primarily self-taught through experimentation and lots of book reading about techniques." She has been working professionally in clay for ten years. It began with making tiles for sculptures, and then evolved into more sculptural tile work, which then led to ceramic totems, and most recently red clay sculptures. Guests from the greater Port Ludlow area are welcome to attend the Artists' League meetings. A donation of \$5 is suggested. For more information about the League and its programs, contact President Ken Thomas

OCTOBER

Artist of the Month

Penny Lou Sanzaro is the Port Ludlow Artists' League Artist of the Month for October. She works in a variety of media, but concentrates on watercolor painting. Receiving her Bachelor of

Arts in Fine Arts from California State Long Beach, Penny worked in the printing industry and government as a graphic artist and technical illustrator until she retired in 1998.

Having studied with nationally-known watercolor artist Nancy Collins, Penny credits her with giving her confidence in the use of watercolor. She enjoys painting a variety of subjects in realistic, impressionistic and nonrepresentational styles. Her work has been displayed in many local businesses, private clubs, medical offices and cafés in Jefferson and Kitsap Counties. She was accepted into her first juried show at the Kitsap Arts and Crafts Fair in 2007 with her painting, *"This Joint is Jumpin'."*

A reception for Penny's exhibit will be **Friday, October 2**, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., at American Marine Bank and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the League's Art Gallery next door.

Other Artists' League members' work can be seen at the following Port Ludlow businesses: Bob Jamison, oils, at Coldwell Banker; Connie Glaser, watercolors, in the American Marine Bank conference room; Wanda Mawhinney, mixed media, at Madrona Hill Urgent Care; Harry and Francy Gronewald, photography and oil, at Active Life Physical Therapy; Marti Lewis, various media, at Home Instead Senior Care; and Ann Arscott, oils, at Oracle Financial and Insurance

Performing Arts Gala Opening with Broadway's Franc D'Ambrosio

As you arrive at the Bay Club, you'll be welcomed by greeters dressed in Port Ludlow elegance who will help make this a special night—that begins with the party, then a concert featuring "Franc D'Ambrosio's Broadway," capped by a very special showing of photography by the award-winning Gary Settle of the Artists' League.

As a Kansas high school student with a part-time job working in the photo lab at his hometown newspaper, Gary Settle found a way to photograph big-name musicians as they passed through town for performances. His camera got him close enough to see Harry James and Buddy Rich, Lionel Hampton and Liberace making their music. In college, he was able to photograph Stan Kenton, Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong and Dave Brubeck, close enough to watch them play their notes. "I love all kinds of moving music," Settle says, "and being able to watch a musician work as he plays lets me share in his creative experience."



During a 45-year career in photojournalism, Settle worked at seven newspapers from Kansas to Chicago to New York and finally to Seattle. In 1968, at *The Chicago Daily News*, he was named Newspaper Photographer of the Year. Soon hired by *The New York Times*, he won that title again in 1970. He was president of the National Press Photographers Association in 1978-79. Now retired in Port Ludlow with his wife Patti, he's been enjoying the less demanding imperatives of retirement, which has included stalking wildlife in their wooded back yard.

Ludlow Artists' League Show at Gateway Visitor Center

The fall colors will be reflected in a new Art Exhibit at the Gateway Visitor Center at Highways 104 and 19. The Center is featuring an eclectic offering of watercolors, acrylics, pastels and photographic art by its Port Ludlow neighbors. Ten artists from the Port Ludlow Artists' League will display watercolor, acrylic, pastel and photography artwork, including Barbara Adams, Fran Bodman, Gary Griswold, Kimberly Guarisco, Betty Harmon, Ed Jaramillo, Judith Johnson, Lenetta Johnson, Marti Mathis and Joanie Reynolds. The showing is worth seeing and will open on **Thursday, October 1** and run through **Sunday, November 15**. If you are looking at a rainy afternoon, the art will brighten your outlook along with maps and information available at the Center.

NOVEMBER

Artist of the Month

Keith McConnell will be the Artists' League special guest Artist of the Month in **November**. As a retired Lieutenant Colonel from the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Keith created combat art for the Marine Corps in Vietnam and in Desert Storm. His artwork is housed at the U.S. Marine Corps Museum. He is known for the work he did for the Toys for Tots campaign, which used his artwork for nine of its national publicity posters.

During Keith's career as an illustrator in Southern California, he created advertising artwork for many nationally known clients as well as editorial illustrations for numerous magazines, recording artists and book publishers. Some of these projects include publicity illustrations for the Beatles and three album covers for the Beach Boys. He has also written and illustrated four children's books, done courtroom drawing for ABC-TV and CBS-TV, and taught at Art Center College of Design and California State University Los Angeles. Keith's work will be featured during the month of **November** in the lobby of the American Marine Bank.

The League will be holding its First Friday Reception from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. on **Friday, November 6**, in the League's Gallery next door to American Marine Bank. Work by other Artists' League members may be seen at Port Ludlow businesses: Bob Jamison, oils at Coldwell Banker; Connie Glaser, watercolors in the conference room at American Marine Bank; Wanda Mawhinney, mixed media at Port Ludlow Urgent Care; Harry and Francy Gronewald, photography and oil at Active Life Physical Therapy; Marti Lewis, various media at Home Instead Senior Care; Ann Arscott, oils at Oracle Financial and Insurance; Barbara Adams, various media at Cucina Pizza and ten artists with various media at Olympic Gateway Visitor Center..

Sharing Inspiration

Where do ideas for artwork come from? How do artists overcome problems with composition, color selection and/or technique? Just how does this mysterious creative process work? Members' experiences with these and other questions will be the subject of the meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League on **Wednesday, November 18**, 1:00 p.m., at the Beach Club. Any interested person may present his or her work and talk about his experience with the creative process.

This includes the way the subject was chosen, what provided inspiration, the way any problems were overcome and generally lessons learned. Any member who is willing may invite others to give input and suggestions for improving his or her work.

Since members of the League represent a variety of media from realistic watercolors to abstract acrylics to photography, this will be an opportunity to learn about the creative process from different perspectives and experiences. Guests are welcome to attend the Port Ludlow Artists' League meetings. A donation of \$5 is suggested.

A Cabaret Night with Hot String Jazz

The Arts Council provides a no-host wine bar where beverages can be purchased for enjoyment at tables during the performance. In addition, take time to enjoy a display of watercolors by Marti Mathis and Italian glass lampwork beads by Maggie Smith, both members of the Artists' League.

DECEMBER

Artists' League Christmas Gallery at The Inn

An extraordinary event is planned for The Inn At Port Ludlow during the month of December. Over 40 artists from the Port Ludlow Artists' League will be participating in a Christmas Gallery, featuring an exhibit of various media displayed throughout The Inn's beautifully decorated halls. What a wonderful way to start your gift shopping and the holiday season! The Artists' League thanks Paul Wolman, General Manager of The Inn, for this very generous invitation; we have been looking forward to this day for months.

Artists' League Member Show

Artwork from Artists' League members will be featured in the third annual show, "Impressions of Winter," on display in the lobby of the American Marine Bank located in the Upper Village Center. Running during the months of **December and January**, work on display will feature such media as watercolors, oils, pastels, mixed media, acrylics and photography. On **Friday**,

December 4, a reception will be held in the bank lobby from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and in the Art Gallery, next door to the bank, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Gallery Honors Local Artist

A painting depicting of a sheep's head by the late Phyllis Hansen has been permanently installed at Port Ludlow Art Gallery. Gallery Manager Wanda Mawhinney dedicated the painting to her memory in a ceremony held Friday, November 6.

A founding member of the Port Ludlow Artists' League, Hansen lost her battle with cancer earlier this year.

Artists' League Celebrates the Season

To celebrate the holiday season, the Port Ludlow Artists' League will be "having their cake and sharing it, too." A special Christmas program will begin at 1:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, December 16**, at the Beach Club. This year members and their guests are invited to enjoy a Christmas dessert for a fee of \$8 a person. The monies gathered will be used to donate food and gifts for a local family in need. Attendees are asked to bring their own table service and beverage other than the coffee and tea usually provided.

To reserve your spot, please contact Mary Lynn Laker The deadline for signing up is Thursday, December 10.

A Romanza Christmas: Two Truly Divine Concerts!

A display of fused glass by Artists' League member Judy Thomas will be available for the enjoyment of concertgoers before the concerts and during intermissions. Judy has been fusing glass for about ten years and has created a variety of pieces that emphasize the play of bright color and geometric shapes against a dark background. During both intermissions, you also can enjoy a cup of the Arts Council's traditional wassail.

Celtic Cabaret Heats up January

Artists' League member Fran Bodman will be showing her work in acrylics, pencil and pastels.