

Dear All,

Greetings and **Happy New Year 2012!** I hope everyone had healthy holidays and you are ready for an exciting New Year!

We had a great time at the LAG Holiday Party in December, thanks to all those that made it! It was a fun night of games and a wonderful meal at the Bonfire Restaurant in Homer Glen. Have you made your New Year's Resolutions? They say it takes 3 weeks to make a habit, so whatever you are striving for, don't give up in the next 3 weeks on it, and you will probably be sure to keep the resolution as part of your daily routine. I also heard a great saying that "habits reduce stress." Make something you really want to do a habit, and you'll no longer have to "fight" yourself to do it. Whether it is getting exercise, losing weight, quitting smoking, making time for yourself, eating healthier, starting a new activity, playing an instrument more, writing more,,doing more artwork...I hope 2012 gives you the opportunity to make some part of your life fresh and renewed and a part of your daily routine! I, myself, know that I need to spend more time producing artwork. I really have not spent enough time producing artwork, and have spent too much time with social activities in the past few years. In addition to my work and family life, things just get so busy. Well, it is a new year and I am ready to take it on. I hope you are too, and I hope to see you out at our Jan. 18th meeting, which is "Show and Tell." This is a night where we all bring to the table our own artwork and discuss it and our own passion in art. I promise to have some new artwork to show, hey, that's just under 3 weeks from now, I hope I have made my New Year's Resolution a habit! Thanks for your time in reading this and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,
Liz Popp

Lemont Artists Guild President

P.S. Don't forget to bring food to the next meeting for the Lemont Food Pantry, non-perishable and non-expired food items. Thanks!

Show & Tell

Presented by LAG Members

The upcoming Lemont Artists Guild meeting is on Wed., January 18th and will begin at 7 PM at the Lemont Public Library, 50 E. Wend Street. Bring a current piece or two of work (finished or in progress) and talk about your own artwork, what inspires you as an artist, and hear from the group and what they think. Don't be bashful! Bring some artwork and share with us, it's a fun meeting and a way to get to know our fellow guild members!

Upcoming 2012

Calendar of Events for LAG:

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| Jan. 18 | LAG Show and Tell |
| Feb. 15 | Sue Elgar, Glass Lampworking & Etching Glass |
| Mar. 21 | Lyn Tietz, Water Soluble Oils |
| Mar. 31 | Acrylic Mixed Media Workshop, Annette Leiber |
| Apr. 14-May 14 | Best of Best at Mayslake |
| Apr. 18 | Patty Pullman, Polymer clay |
| May 16 | Linda Berck, Many Faces of Mata Ortiz Pottery of Mexico. |

DON'T FORGET FOR EACH MONTHLY MEETING:

*Your Artwork for the Back of the Hall Competition

*Bring donations for the Lemont Food Pantry

*Your Hand-Made Name-Tag (did you make one yet, if not, check someone's out at the next meeting!)

Athens Gallery-Be sure to stop in at the Athens Art Gallery (in the Lemont Public Library, 50 East Wend St.). Contact Jim McGloin (708) 710-5243 with any questions.

Notes from the Editor:

Information for the LAG newsletter should be sent to Betty Kirk by the first of the month (630) 257-0565, or

Betty@bbkirk.com

* Our Hostess for the January meeting will be Emily J. B. Christian and Shirley Sobol will bring the beverages. (Please arrive early to set up.)

* The November **Back of the Hall** winner was Betty Burian Kirk for "Sheltie Scarf," 2nd place was Matt Kosic "Ground Chuck," and 3rd William Brisick "Yellow Daylily."

Upcoming Affiliated Art Guilds' Meetings/Websites (if available)

Information is updated to the best of our ability, please check each guild's website to confirm information:

Addison Art Guild -1/12/12- Tammy L. Deck, Wet felting

Alliance of Fine Art - Board meets 4/17/12, 5/24/12 www.allianceoffineart.org

Artists Assoc. of Elk Grove Village-1/25/12 - Brian Sauerland - Pastel

<http://www.elkgroveparks.org/artAssoc.asp>

Bloomington Artists Association -1/14/12- Dale Steele presents a hands-on class on Drizzle art

www.bloomingtonartistsassociation.org

Book and Paper Arts Guild-1/12/12 - boxes - Lisle Public Library www.bpag.org

Clay Space - Date N/A www.clayspace.net

Downers Grove Artist Guild - 2/11/12

www.downersgroveartistsguild.com

DuPage Art League - 1/16/12 – Bruce Peterson,
Painting with Projectors and Light Tables
www.dupageartleague.com

Elmhurst Artists Guild – 1/19/12 – George Ceffalio
– Oil Painting www.elmhurstartistsguild.com

LaGrange Art League –
www.lagrangeartleague.org

Lemont Center for the Arts-Art Classes
Contact Mona Parry at 708-301-7496
For class schedule and event information.

Lombard Arts Coalition –
www.lombardartscoalition.com

Midwest Collage Society – 1/5/12
<http://midwestcollagesociety.blogspot.com>

Naperville Art League – 1/26/12 “Who Does She
Think She Is?” www.napervilleartleague.com

Oak Brook Art League – Date N/A

Plainfield Art League – 1/11/12-
www.plainfieldartleague.org

West Suburban Artists Guild 2/19/12 - Cherie
Salerno, sumi brush painting
www.westsuburbanartistsguild.org

Town & Country Art League-1/13/12 - Gwyn
Katis - Mosaic
<http://www.afineartleague.com>

Art Showing Opportunity

Jan. 19th & other dates in 2012*

“Art at the Creek” scheduled
for January 19th, 2012.

Artist needed. Conditions apply.

For Complete Details Contact:

Susan Callahan
630-783-2977

Assistant Store Manager, Retail 367
Coldwater Creek,

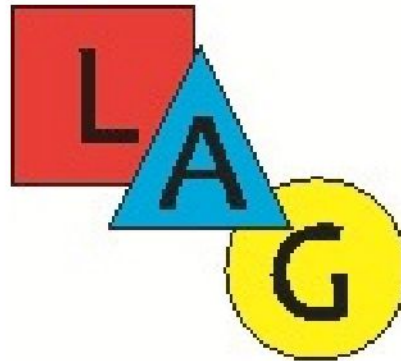
The Promenade, Bolingbrook

IN ADDITION-She may have other dates

**In 2012 available, so contact her even if you can't
do Jan. 19th and are interested in this.**

*This is not in conjunction with any Lemont Artists
Guild events, we are just advertising this opportunity.

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All glory comes from daring to begin

*Habit, if not resisted, soon becomes
necessity.*

*Do not follow where the path may lead. Go
instead where there is no path and leave a
trail.*

*Wisdom is knowing what to do next, virtue
is doing it.*