



November, 2012 Newsletter

President's Letter

I write this President's letter anticipating the Nov. 3rd, 2012 Lemont Artists Guild Love of Art Show. It is always an exciting day and a wonderful event for the Lemont Artists Guild. We co-sponsor it with the Lemont Park District and are excited to be in their new facility this year, the CORE Fitness & Aquatic Complex. Thanks to everyone who helped out with the show this year. It is a TEAM effort and we have a great group!!!

LAG is having a member showing at Indian Prairie Public Library in Darien (401 Plainfield Road) in the month of November. It is being hung on Monday Nov. 5th. If you have a chance, check it out! Their gallery is on the 2nd floor of the library. Our members are very talented and this is a wonderful way to have our work shown together. Also, stay tuned for details on August of 2013, we will have a member showing at the Woodridge Library.

Two of our LAG members also have work on display at the Athens Gallery in our very own Lemont Library, William Brisick and Jim McGloin. The exhibit is going on from November 9 to January 2013, and is called "Remembering the Storm", photographs of Civil War reenactments in Northern Illinois.

We have a new place for our Holiday Party this year. It will be at Tazza Italian Restaurant in Homer Glen. Look for more details on our Holiday party soon, it is on the 2nd Wed. in December, December 12th. We hope you can make it this year, it is always a fun time and a great social event for our group! We will be e-mailing information and have invitations at our November meeting., so bring your check book!

November to me is a time of reflection, before the real cold starts and the craziness of the holiday season sets in. I am thankful to be blessed with wonderful family and friends and to be part of an incredible art organization. The Lemont Artists Guild is an extended family for me and I am thankful for all the wonderful talent and personalities we have in LAG. I wish you and your loved ones a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and I am thankful for America that we can celebrate our past and present.

I hope you can make it out to our November 14th meeting (2nd Wednesday this month). It will be a nice presentation! As always, please remember your Food Pantry donations! Thank-you and Gobble...Gobble!!!

-Liz Popp
President, Lemont Artists Guild

A Few of My Favorite (Metalsmithing) Things

Elise Kendrot

The November 14th Lemont Artists Guild meeting, will begin at 7 PM at the Lemont Public Library, 50 E. Wend Street. Elise Kendrot stated "When people think of metalsmithing, they usually equate it with jewelry making, as jewelry is the most prevalent form of small metals artwork.

However, not all metalsmiths are jewelers; some, like myself, are sculptors. I will demonstrate some of my favorite metal fabrication techniques and discuss/show how I utilize these methods, so often used in jewelry, in my mixed media sculptures."

Elise Kendrot is an arts educator and studio artist living in Joliet, Illinois, where she is an Adjunct Instructor of Metalsmithing at Joliet Junior College.

She has a BFA in Sculpture, Summa Cum Laude, from Syracuse University and an MA and MFA in Sculpture, Summa Cum Laude, from the University of Iowa. Her mixed media sculptures utilize found objects and traditional metalsmithing techniques and often focus on environmental and ecological themes. Her artwork can be viewed at www.elisekendrot.com. Elise has taught all over the US and been in major installations and Exhibitions with technical skills in wood, metal, metalsmithing, fibers, ceramics, mold-making and painting She is currently a member of the Society of North American Goldsmiths and Ethical

Upcoming 2012-2013 Calendar of Events for LAG:

Nov. 3	Love of Art Show
Nov. 14,	A Few of My Favorite (Metalsmithing) Things, Elise Kendrot
Dec. 12	Holiday Party at Tazza Italian Restaurant (Details to be announced)
Jan. 16	Members Show & Tell
Feb. 20	Pictorial Felt, Betty Burian Kirk
Mar. 20	Work in Transition, Eric Gorder
April 10	Scratchboard, Annette Leiber
May 15	Photographing Nature, Darcy Berg

Athens Gallery-Be sure to stop in at the Athens Art Gallery (in the Lemont Public Library, 50 East Wend

St.). There will be no exhibit in October; due to book sale and early voting. November 9 to January 2013, "Remembering the Storm", photographs of Civil War reenactments in northern Illinois by Jim McGloin and Bill Brisick. 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 Nov. meeting will be Shirley Sobol. (Please arrive early to set up.) Thanks so much!
* October **Back of the Hall** 1st place, Cathy Mustari's "Way Too Much Time on My Hands", 2nd place William Brisick's "Confederate Cavalryman" and Tim Rozycki's "Fly Fishing Little Snake River", and 3rd Betty Burian Kirk's Novelty Yarn".

Alliance of Fine Art (AFA) - Board meets Tuesday, November 6th from 7pm until 8pm, at Denny's 17 W 660 22nd Street in Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois. LAG Members are welcome to attend AFA Meetings. www.allianceoffineart.org

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!)

Here are the 2012 Love of Art Winners

Best of Show-Uznanski Creations-Photography

1st Place 3D-Iwona Narolewska-Jewelry

2nd Place 3D-Ed Buhot-Wood

3rd Place 3D-Shirley Walter-Fiber

1st Place 2D-Allen Tampa-Oil

2nd Place 2D-Patricia Margaret Bock-Watercolor

3rd Place 3D-Gene Mark-Photography

Honorable Mentions:

Jay Sidebotham-Acrylic, Fiber

Rich Kappel-Photography

Virginia Simms-Acrylic, Watercolor, Oil

Thomas Kleinwachter-Metal

People's Choice:

Dee Everson (2nd year in a row!)

Dear Family and Friends,

We have shared the sad news of Mom's passing with many (I hope all of you) now and we were waiting for a time when Pat and family could come in for a memorial celebration of Mom's life.

Pat and family are now available, so we have arranged a time for family and friends to gather from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11., at Holiday Inn Willowbrook, 7800 Kingery Hwy (Route 83), Willowbrook, IL., Phone 630-325-6400. Yes, we will have something to eat. It will be light fare - soup and sandwiches with additional trimmings.

We hope you can come out and share with us and with each other as we celebrate her memory and the joy she brought to our lives.

We hope to see you.

Warmly,

Nancy, Pat and John (Jack) R. Gildroy