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Lemont Artists Guild Newsletter

NEXT LAG MEETING:

OUR MEETINGS WILL BE AT A NEW LOCATION!!!!

**Homer Township Public Library
14320 W 151st St, Homer Glen, IL 60491**

**Phone: (708) 301-7908, please visit
www.homerlibrary.org for directions**

Show and Tell

Wednesday, January 20, 2016 - 7 pm

The January 20th Lemont Artists Guild meeting will begin at 7 PM at the **Homer Township Public Library, 14320 W 151st St, Homer Glen, IL**. The meeting will be presentations of what each member/guest has been doing in the arts. Each member/guest is invited to bring several pieces of art work to share. The art can be shown to give a representation of one's work, to ask for help or constructive criticism or to just display. The art work can be old new or in progress. This is a great meeting to see what everyone does, a chance to share that artful spirit! Let us know what you're up to, even if you don't do art, if you write or play music, etc. We just want to hear about your creative endeavors and learn more about each other.

2015-2016 Upcoming Events for LAG

Wed. Jan. 20 -Members and Guests Show & Tell

Wed. Feb. 17 -Marbling, Betty Burian Kirk

Wed. March 16 -Watercolor, Cyn O'Brien

Wed. April 20-Iconography-Illuminated Icons, Arlene Tilghman

Month of May-AF Best of the Best Show at DuPage Art League and Gallery-reception TBA

Wed. May 18 -Photography Lighting Effects, Bill & Nancy Uznanski

Letter from the President

Greetings LAG Members and Friends!

Are we all in awe that it is 2016? I always wonder, once the holidays are over,,how they flew by so fast!! Yet, when I am in the midst of shopping and addressing cards and planning for a family come over, I try to

remember the reason for the season!! As they say, let's try to make the season last all the way through the New Year. I hope you have some fun New Year's resolutions. I think I am still trying to accomplish last year's,,LOL!! But, I realized this past year some important things. I can't do everything perfectly, and trying to do so just makes it take longer!! So, I do a little of this and a little of that, take care of the priorities, and hope there will be some time to relax each day. If it is not quite perfect, that is okay! At least I am getting something done (who needs to make the bed perfectly anyway?). Even with artwork, sometimes we just have to let it be and try not to overdo it. We all know, if we keep working, it may never be finished!

Speaking of art, I hope you have a piece or two picked out to bring out our Jan. 20th LAG "Show and Tell" meeting. It is great to see what everyone is up to in LAG. **NOTE:** *It is not a requirement for you to have something to "show"...we still want to hear what you have been up to ("tell"). If you don't do artwork, but you perhaps write or enjoy music, please tell us about it!! We're a gathering point for artists and supporters of art and it is great to hear how everyone is doing.* We have enjoyed meeting at the Homer Glen Library and they are gracious to let us use their nice room there. It is possible, since it is open to the public, that we'll have some new people attend, it would be great to see some new faces, and always great to see the ones that have been there year after year!

Here is a picture of the display case at the Homer Township Public Library. They are allowing LAG to



show their wares in it when it is available. If you are interested please contact me and we can see when the next display will be available. It is especially hard for anyone who does 3D art to show their work, this is the perfect place!

Thanks to all who attended the 2015 LAG Holiday Party!! **Lynn**

Rozycki did a great job planning this year at Cog Hill, and **Nancy Uznanski** picked out some stunning prizes that we gave away in games and raffles. Thanks!!

Great picture of those who attended below.

Hope to see you at our Jan. meeting. Happy New Year!

-Liz



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 bbkirk@sbcglobal.net

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

* **Back of Hall:** first place was a tie, Richard Vaco's "Stone Quarry", second place Mary Truesdale's "Make My Day!" and Bill Uznanski's "Impressionist Shadows" and third place Jim McGloin's "Lion in Summer".

* **Alliance of Fine Art (AFA)** - The next AFA Board meeting will take place on Tues, Feb. 2, 2016 at 7 pm at the People's Resource Center in Westmont.

www.allianceoffineart.org. The newsletter is located: <http://www.allianceoffineart.org/Newsletters.php>.

DON'T FORGET FOR EACH MONTHLY MEETING:

- *Your Artwork for the Back of the Hall Competition
- *Bring donations for the Lemont Food Pantry
- *Create your own Nametag!! We will keep it for you to use at each meeting.

It is better to create something that others criticize than to create nothing and criticize others.

Ricky Gervais

Life is like a camera...

Focus on what's important

Capture the good times

Develop from the negatives and if things don't work out

Take another shot

To live a creative life, we must lose our fear of being wrong.

Joseph Chilton Pearce