May 2018 letter from the president

Hello everyone!

I hate that I was not able to be with you at our May meeting and End of Year Party this year. I understand from several people that it was a good turnout and a good time was had by all. We had 40 members and 10 guests present. Holding the event at the Chapin Town Hall worked great and Ann Peake did a wonderful job with the presentations for the "It's Your Choice" contest. A huge THANK YOU to her for coming up with, organizing and running yet another great end of year contest/event!! For those of you unable to join in on the fun, you were missed and we hope to see you again soon.

Here are some of the notable things happening in CCAL right now:

<u>Webpage:</u> New information is posted regularly. Check it out! Subscribe to always get email notifications when new posts are added. Patron members have the option to have their own personal page on the website to showcase themselves and their art. A great deal! If you're interested in getting your page setup or updated, please let me know!

<u>Juried Show:</u> Thank you once again to our outgoing juried show co-chairs, Sandra Oliver and Randy Spencer, for all their hard work to put on such a great show. Please thank our sponsors and consider them when you need any of the products or services they offer. In light of all the changes and expansion to the show this year, the after action committee report and recommendations is under review by the board. It'll be hard to top this year's show, but watch for upcoming announcements about the improvements planned for next year's show.

Member of the Year Award: Each year, CCAL recognizes a special member who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to benefit the league. They are recognized by the membership for the important work they have done in addition to any assigned duties. We have many good members and I want to extend thanks to all the members that were nominated this year for all their efforts that have helped to move the league forward. The following members were nominated this year for Member of the Year: Sonya Diimmler, Ann Peake, Barbara Teusink, Ron Weathers, Sandra Wilkie and Mary Williams. Thank you to everyone that took the time to nominate someone this year. I'm delighted to say that the award this year has been given to Ron Weathers for all the wonderful things he has done to support the league. Ron is a longtime member who has much for the league for many years. We owe him our gratitude for sure! He was nominated by two people this year for the award. The text of his nominations read as follows:

- 1. I nominate Ron for coordinating the installation of lights in the back hall of the park, as well as a new hanging system there, as well as our TAP gallery up front. The League will be forever grateful of his efforts!
- 2. Ron has been a steady support for the league for many years. He is always willing to step up anytime he is asked. Not only did he and Carol open their home to us for the Christmas party again this year, he also did many other things as well. He donated the

use of his display walls to several events like the Farmers Market and the Fall Arts Festival. He also went above and beyond in researching, ordering, working with the park and installing the new lighting system and hanging system in the back hall, the updated hanging system in the front lobby gallery and the lighting system for the new cabinet. These improvements will forever be a positive change for the park and make our Juried show exponentially better. Thanks Ron!

Nominations for 2018-19 Board: The slate of officers proposed by the nominations committee:

President – Sonya Diimmler Vice President – Alison Klein Secretary – Bobbi Sorensen

Treasurer – Maureen Carter Parliamentarian – Barbara Teusink

The slate was adopted by the membership as proposed. A complete list of your officers and committee chairs for 2018-2019 is attached.

Current Artist Exhibits

The theme for the TAP gallery from May 21 through the summer will be pieces from our annual contest "It's Your Choice!" If you need to remove your piece during the summer months, please consider bringing an alternate piece to replace it so the gallery is still filled with art.

Our May featured artists are:

- Spotlight artist, Chapin Chamber of Commerce: Alex DiFrancesco with "Sailor Sky"
- BB&T Bank on Art: Adriana Vidal with "Lake Murray: A View from the Dam"
- Chapin Library: Ruby DeLoach
- Palmetto Fine Arts Gallery: Rajas Londhe, Pat Murphy, Ingrid Carson
- Prosperity Town Hall: Sonya Diimmler
- TAP Gallery Display Case: Olga Yukhno

I hope that you have a chance to see some of the wonderful art on display in our public galleries, to congratulate the artists and to thank our gallery hosts for their support.

Looking ahead

We are entering our summer hiatus so we won't meet again until September, but there are still lots of things happening this summer!

Our summer featured artists will be:

- Spotlight artist, Chapin Chamber of Commerce:
 June- Judy Matras, July- Debi Kelly, August- Karen Larrabee, Sept- Adriana Vidal
- BB&T Bank on Art:
 - June- Pat Murphy, July- JJ Casey, August- Olga Yukhno, Sept- Sonya Diimmler
- Chapin Library:
 - June-August: summer break, Sept- Ginger Robinson
- Palmetto Fine Arts Gallery:

- June- Rajas Londhe, Pat Murphy, Ingrid Carson; July-August- Jean Kirkley, Debi Kelly, Corey Ann Lacy
- Prosperity Town Hall:
 June- JJ Casey, July- Sandra Oliver, August- Karen Larrabee, Sept- Maureen Carter
- TAP Gallery Display Case:
 June- Anna Kay Singley, July- Frances Burris, Aug- Brian Fox, Sept- Barbara Teusink

CCAL is proud to offer opportunities for public display of our members' art in a variety of galleries hosted by CCAL Business Partners. Names have been drawn for inclusion for the Palmetto Fine Arts Gallery. There are still some open spots remaining for next year. If you are interested, please contact TC Bowers directly. If you have any questions or concerns about a display, please contact our gallery coordinator: Olga Yukhno.

<u>Workshop:</u> We're already working on great new workshops for next year. Given the increasing popularity of our workshops, the board has adopted a new policy designed to make it easier for everyone interested in registering and attending. If you have any questions about workshops, please contact our new workshop coordinator, Sandra Oliver.

Summer Chapin Farmers Market: CCAL will once again be participating in the Chapin Farmers Market by having a booth on Saturday Sept 1. We Need You!! We need volunteers to help coordinate and run a CCAL booth at this event. These are a lot of fun to do and great exposure for you and your artwork as well as the League. PLEASE let me know if you would be willing and able to help out.

"It is not joy that makes us grateful; it is gratitude that makes us joyful."

"Brother David Steindl-Rast

I am deeply grateful to have had the chance to serve as your president these past two years. This is an amazing group and I'm honored to have played a part in moving things forward. Thank you for your membership!

Hope to see you at next year's meetings!

Barbara Teusink President

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