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From the President...

As we begin 2019, I would like to thank all DWS members for their continued support of our organization. Thanks to all of the board members whose dedication and hard work has kept us going.

At our annual meeting and luncheon each year we show some appreciation for and recognition of your help in advancing our mission. At the December 12 annual meeting, we recognized several members for their efforts.

Volunteer of the Year

Robi Cavagnaro – **Hospitality** Ellen Lawler, Kathy Ott, and Kathy Casey hospitality support

Outreach Recognition – Robi Cavagnaro, Pat Hoey, and Pam North Special Recognition to Instructors Elizabeth Collard and Isabel Pizzolato

Exhibitions Recognition – Ruth Ann Kaufman and Nancy Mysak

Second Wednesdays – *Dan Feth* videographer

Board of Directors – Special Recognition *Joan Fabbri and Isabel Pizzolato*

A very special thanks to Joan Fabbri and Isabel Pizzolato for serving on the board and for doing an excellent job with exhibitions and workshops.

They will be missed.

In the New Year, we will provide you with a range of events to pique your interests and hopefully challenge your creativity.

Anne Crown-Cyr, President

Election Results

We met our quorum requirement to hold the annual meeting and a majority of voting members cast ballots. The voting breakdown is as follows:

87 – DWS members

84 – e-ballots were sent by Election Buddy; 2 of those could not be delivered. Even after phone calls, there was no response. 39 e-ballots were received and counted.

2 – paper ballots were sent and received.

6 - additional paper ballots were received at the luncheon.

Per the bylaws, a simple majority vote is required for elections to be valid. In this case, that means we would need to have a total of 42 ballots. We had a total of 47 ballots cast.

Of the total ballots cast, Marjorie Wuestner – VP Candidate, received 99 percent, or 46 votes.

The **Exhibitions Director** position received the following nominations:

1 vote for Marie Isola

1 vote for Isabel Pizzolato

1 vote for Elizabeth Collard

1 vote for Robi Cavagnaro

1 vote for Anne Cyr

None of these individuals were interested in being Exhibitions Director. However, member Sherry Schnepfe volunteered to be co-chair of an exhibitions committee or team, once established

The **Workshop Director** position received nominations for 7 votes for Elizabeth Collard 1 for Susan Gray

Susan Gray indicated she was not interested in being Workshop Director.

Elizabeth Collard volunteered to serve as Workshop Director and will be appointed in January.

Thanks to everyone who participated and volunteered in some capacity.

Member News

Welcome new member Tina Belardi, Oak Forge, PA.

Signature Level Artists – Steve Cole, Ruth Ann Kaufman, and Marjorie Wuestner achieved Artist Member, signature-level status. Each received an officialcertificate and a DWS Artist tote bag at the annual meeting.



President Anne Crown-Cyr gives Marjorie Weustner her official signature level tote bag and certificate.

Annie Strack had paintings accepted into the 7th Annual Brandywine Valley Plein Air. She juried the American Artists Professional League's 90th Grand National Show at the Salmagundi Club in NYC, the Unionville Fair Art Exhibit in Pennsylvania, and the Milton Arts Guild Exhibition in Delaware. She also is thrilled to announce that she has joined the Chartpak team as an Artist Ambassador, representing 14 brands of fine artists materials.

Congratulations to all!



Vice President Marjorie Wuestner presents Ruth Ann Kaufman with her signature level certificate and tote bag.

Birthdays

January – Marie Isola and Mark Kaufman.

February – Charlotte Hughes, Lisa Hunter, Debra Iammatteo, Rich Parfitt, Dianne Shearon, and Walter Yatko.





Walter Yatko (left) and Dan Feth chat at the luncheon.

March 1 – March 31 Juried Exhibition – Art League of Ocean City

Signature artist Susan Avis Murphy will be our juror and awards judge for the fine art exhibition at the Art League of Ocean City. The digital entries for this exhibition are accepted from January 1 to February 1, 2019. The prospectus has been emailed to all members and is on the DWS website.

Reminders; If you need help sizing your images, contact Anne Cyr at cyrdsgn@comcast.net.

Photograph only the image area, not the mat, not the frame, and make sure you have selected the correct DPI resolution, image dimensions, and RGB color mode.

If you are intimidated about sizing the image, a local printer like Lewes Printing, or PrintCoast2Coast can do it for a small fee. Alternatively, giclée printer, Brendan Buschi in Milton, DE, also can prepare your images for the juror.

DWS members enjoy catching up at the December luncheon.

Second Wednesday – February 13 - Negative Painting 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. The Glade

During this four-hour open session, you can try your hand at negative painting by beginning with an underpainting of three colors and then developing it into a completed work.

No matter the subject, you'll learn the importance of positive and negative painting, how to mix paints, identify the general pigment characteristics for negative painting, and achieve depth of color in your completed work.

Calendar of Events - Your Input

At the annual meeting, we received some ideas in response to our inquiry about the types of workshops, exhibitions, and other activities you would like to have in 2019 and beyond. We handed out a sheet of paper identifying the following topics:

Workshop Artists
Exhibition Venues
Second Wednesday Topics
Other

Please describe how you would be able to help with any of these.

We would like to hear your suggestions. Please email your recommendations to "2019 Calendar," delawarewatercolorsociety@gmail.com or snail mail to DWS, PO Box 984, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971.

Exhibitions Team – Needs Your Help

As you know, we are absent an Exhibitions Director. Joan Fabbri, who has a done a wonderful job, did not run for re-election. Consequently, we have decided to take a team approach for our upcoming three exhibitions this year.

We are looking for 4-5 volunteers to help out. In addition to helping with receiving, hanging, and picking up, we need help with publicity, updating the prospectus and tracking entries, purchasing ribbons and making award certificates.

If you can help, email your contact information to "Exhibitions Team" at delawarewatercolorsociety@gmail.com.