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Petaluma Arts Association Newsletter November 2016

Next Regular meeting, Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Program: Frank Marshall - "Composition"

and Election of Officers

The Petaluma Arts Association Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the United Church of Christ Community Room, 825 Middlefield Road in Petaluma.

Business meeting 6:00 to 7:15 followed by a break

Program 7:30 to 8:30

Visitors and potential members are always welcome!

*We mourn the passing of **Thomas E. (Tom) Bales** who died October 7, 2016 at home surrounded by his wife, Mary, and his three children, Kathleen, Kristine and Thomas. He is also survived by eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.*

Tom served in the U.S. Army 82nd Airborne from 1955 to 1957, and was a member of the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades. He was 80 years old.

A memorial service will be held in July 2017. His family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Hospice of Petaluma.

Editor's note: Tom was also a gifted sculptor and musician, and especially — a good friend.

Member News

Maria Bales, Maria Lewis, Frank Marshall, Pat Marshall and Diane Stavrum are currently exhibiting at the Boulevard Cafe on Petaluma Boulevard.

Elections

Nominations for 2017 officers to be voted on at November Meeting

The current slate is **Elaine Larson** – President and **Maria Lewis** – Vice-President

Secretary and Treasurer positions were replaced at the mid-term with no need for a vote.

Volunteers needed

Please be active in PAA. These positions are open:

- Membership Chair
- Field Trips Chair
- Publicity Chair
- Refreshments Coordinator
- Library Show Chair
- Open Studios Chair

Art in the Park (AIP) – **Maria Lewis** reported that 2016 AIP was very successful. PAA took in \$3,750 with a net profit of \$2,843.41.

Membership and Fees for 2017

\$35 for volunteer members. Volunteer members must be active. The Membership Chair will manage a volunteer list where volunteer members commit to an event. The 2017 Event Schedule will be available by the **November 25, 2016 membership renewal date.**

\$60 for associate members.

Field Trip to Grace Hudson Museum in Ukiah October 26 departing 8am – **Marilyn Dizikes** announced the upcoming Field Trip and noted that the early departure time is necessary since the drive to Ukiah takes about two hours. The featured exhibit is “Instinct -Path of Birds going South.” Contact Marilyn at 707-774-6107 for details.

Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale at Petaluma Community Center

Mari Stefonetti has reserved a room at the community center at Lucchesi Park for Saturday and Sunday, December 10 and 11. PAA will charge \$100 per table and no commission. As an incentive to new and returning members PAA will offer a \$25 discount to members who pay their 2017 membership fees by November 25, 2016. The room will accommodate approximately 17 vendor tables. Mari is looking to see if additional space is available for those dates. **Bob Philips** asked the members attending the October meeting how many were interested in participating in this event. Most of those present indicated that they had an interest.

Gaia's Garden Exhibit in December – **Emily Florence** reported no one had yet signed up to participate in the PAA exhibit scheduled for December 16 - January 31. Gaia's Garden is a plant-based restaurant and cafe in Santa Rosa. There is no commission or entrance fee. The average size for art pieces is 20 X 16. Contact Emily if you are interested in participating. Gaia's will host an opening reception for the exhibit. Hanging will be December 16th. **Marilyn Dizikes** is currently exhibiting there.

60th Anniversary Plans

Elaine Larson announced that a committee has been formed to determine how PAA can expand membership and how it can serve current members better. She encourages all members to become more involved.

Library Show March 8 - 18, 2017

Elaine Larson has coordinated with the Petaluma Library on the dates for the library show. She wants to acknowledge long term members at the show. **Jan Lee** volunteered to put together a list of names of all who have been members for 25 yrs or more.

Petaluma History Museum Exhibit in December, 2017

Elaine reported that in support of PAA's 60 Anniversary, the Petaluma History Museum will host an Exhibit in December, 2017. Long time members with historical data for PAA are encouraged to support this exhibit. More information to come.

Celebration Gala

There is a possibility of holding a 60th Anniversary Gala at the Hotel Petaluma. **Bob Philips** reported that he and Elaine met with the hotel's marketing department to discuss exhibiting Art there. He said that the "Board Room" might be available and could be appropriate for holding a year-long "standing" show managed by PAA. Hotel Petaluma has not made any commitment. Bob also said that the Hotel is interested in collaborating on a holiday event.

Additional venues for member exhibits are under investigation. Members interested in participating are urged to get involved. Exhibiting members must support the planning and running of each event.

Master Class at PAC for selected youth in the History Museum show January, 2017

PAA has been asked to support a Children's Show and Youth Exhibit. PAA artists would build a Master Class for youth in elementary through high school. Elaine will coordinate specifics regarding age groups and desired art media.

Possible Change in Board meeting time and place for 2017 - Elaine announced that the Board will be changing their meeting location and time to accommodate working members who cannot meet during the day. Location and times are still under review.

Possible change in General meeting place in 2017 to Petaluma Arts Center – Elaine and Bob met with the Director of the **Petaluma Arts Center to discuss areas of collaboration** with PAA. PAC is willing to host the PAA general meetings in their classroom space free of charge in exchange for PAC members being invited to demonstrations. The PAA membership will vote on this proposal at the November meeting.

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Information for the newsletter should be submitted by the 15th of the month preceding the activity.

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