



Pittsford Art Group

Summer 2013

Message from The President

As I reflect on this membership year, I am pleased with what we accomplished as a group of artists. We really did accomplish a lot and that has a lot to do with the volunteering so generously offered by members. Thank you.

We started our programs in September with a mini, all-member art competition and we ended the year with handing out 6 x 6 inch panels and artist's trading cards at the picnic to inspire you over the summer. We want to offer another all-member art competition in September, so get busy painting!

We had our first all-member show at the Spectrum Gallery located inside Lumiere-photo. Three paintings sold and we had a wonderful reception. We shuffled the deck for demonstrations and explored two new ideas: Keeping an all media artist journal that included some materials to experiment with and drawing with ink pens.

Keeping with tradition, we had our annual Spring Show at the Pittsford Barnes & Noble. Many members joined together to make it happen. We had two critiques and a few demonstrations with more traditional mediums. Then we rounded out the year with our annual Picnic. Lynn Wickes, chair invited new member, Tina Kolberg to give a presentation on how a website is built and managed. Then how to navigate the site and add links to our own website. Everyone learned something.

The Picnic is our chance to view a portfolio of finished pieces by the talented budding artists of the Pittsford School System. I'm always amazed when I look at their artwork. Varied subjects and mediums, dramatic and subdued palettes, the resulting pieces engage the viewer. You just want to talk to these kids about why they picked this subject, or chose that color, is there symbolism. I love talking to them.

From what I could see at the picnic, every member spent time with them. They have dreams and part of your membership dues is allocated to fund these scholarship awards.

In August, the new board will meet to plan a new year full of programs and shows. But for now, keep in mind we will have our first meeting of the new 2013-2014 membership year on the first Thursday in September, 2013. Like always, we'll meet at the Pittsford Town Hall located on Main Street in the meeting room located in the lower section of the building. 7 PM with a brief business meeting.

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EXHIBITING AROUND TOWN:

- Sylvie Culbertson @ The Friendly Home
- Brande Arno @ Star Physical Therapy
- Liz Sciortino @ Pittsford Town Hall
- Laura Davis @ Presbyterian Church

Dates to Remember!

- September PAG Meeting—
Thursday, September 5th

MEMBERS OUT & ABOUT

Jan Davidson, Kathy Bolin and Lynn Wicks each have a painting in the Steve Carpenter's Annual Exhibit at his studio on Anderson Avenue.

Alice Gold had two paintings accepted into the Fingerlakes Show at the Memorial Art Gallery. The paintings are *Couple* and *Wrapped*. The opening is July 13th.

David Majchrzak will have a review written about his life in/ and with art in the Daily Messenger on Tuesday, June 25. Throughout July, he will also have several reviews in various Post Papers.



Artist Card by Laura Davis

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER? Here are some exhibits to check out recommended by other PAG Members!



From the Desk of **Kathy Wagner** :

Attention fans of Maurice Prendergast - as I am one - "By the Sea" - an exhibition of Prendergast's seascapes will run June 29-Oct. 13 - at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine!!! My two favorites - Prendergast and Maine - together!! Couldn't ask for a better combo!

Kathy mentioned if anyone is interested in seeing the show and then doing a little plein air painting, she would be glad to organize the trek!

Note from the Picnic Chair

Lynn Wicks would like to thank everyone who helped set up (in the pouring rain) and all who helped with clean up.

Thank you to **Liz Sciortino** for handling arrangements with the Scholarship winners and their families. It is always a pleasure to see new, up-coming artists!

Both **Lynn** and **Tina Kolberg** were very pleased that the presentation generated interested and that we now have a work group which will get together to hammer out details of what else needs to be done to make the web-site more complete.

Tina won't be available much over the summer, however Lynn will be emailing work-group members with some things that need to be

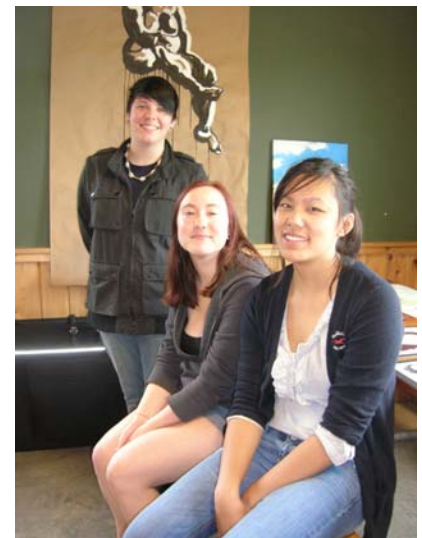
done to fill out the web-pages—e.g. history items, artist statement and/or contact info for all members, etc.

Lynn will set up a meeting with work group members for sometime in September. Anyone interested in input can share their ideas with Lynn by email or snail mail or phone.

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Again, thanks to all who helped make the picnic a success despite the downpour!



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For our September meeting please bring your completed artist trading cards with you. There will be a numbering system employed to match your card to another member. If you don't want to trade, but want to share, that's ok.

Bring also your 6 x 6 inch panel that you painted over the summer for another mini-contest. The entry stub and fee collection will be done at the meeting and there will be a pot of cash from the fees given to the winner.

Lastly, in September, I'll be stepping down with some of my responsibilities to share them with Margie. So looks like they're be a little less of me and more of Margie. Let's welcome her warmly and be encouraging as she gets her toes in the water. Kathy Bolin will be our Vice President and she brings wisdom and strength. Kitty Lawrence has graciously accepted the treasurer's position. And Sylvie and Chris will stay on their jobs. A big thank you to both for their dedication and hard work.

Enjoy your summer and God's peace bless you and your family. - Brande

Examples of Artist's Trading Cards by PAG Members!



Laura Davis



Margie Mitchell

**Are you working
on yours?**

**Dates to
Remember!**

See you on
September 5th!

**Have News to
Share?**

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