From The President

Bill and I want to thank the many members who sent their support, concern and prayers for him when he suffered a ruptured aorta. An emergency trip to the Heart Institute revealed he had been saved by the blood clotting around the wound and prevented his death. He has a new sleeve in the aorta covering the existing aneurysm and preventing it from growing any larger. After five stress-filled days, Bill is back home and is on the mend. We are so thankful to be able to celebrate our 19 years of marriage together. Keep him in your prayers.



As many of our members go to their summer escapes, remember to create some small artworks for the "Summer Size It" project which will be the fundraiser for the Fountain Hills art students. Remember our "Summer Size It" project is in any media, with the size not to exceed 8 x 10" or 10 x 10" and in the case of painting it must be gallery wrapped. At our October meeting we will take a look at the "Summer Size It" projects and vote on which artwork wins the \$100 prize. There is no Artist of the Month in October.

Our "All Members Exhibit" has been shifted to February. It was felt the exhibit this year had low participation in March since it followed "The Tour" and members were probably tired and not wanting to participate in yet another thing. The upcoming February "All Members Exhibit" will encourage members to submit more than the usual two pieces limit; the additional artwork must meet the hanging exhibit requirements. Members will have a new creative opportunity for this exhibit to take part in "A Collaboration Project" where members will create an artwork and swap it with another member to work on the project, thus creating two new pieces of art. During the May 7th meeting we will draw up a list of interested members and their mediums. More information will be presented at that time and e-mailed for those at their summer residences.

Yours in Art, Justine Mantor-Waldie, President

May 7 Meeting

6-6:20: Critique **6-6:30 p.m.:** Sign in and set up of Artist of the Month, Social Time

6:30-6:45 p.m.: Meeting **6:45-7:45 p.m.:** Program/Demonstrations **7:45-8:10 p.m.:** Break **8:10-8:30 p.m.:** Awards/Announcements.

Hal Stewart, Sculptor

Our May 7th meeting will feature the sculptures of Scottsdale artist Hal Stewart who will discuss his sculptural visions and recount his recent April Artist Residency at Chaco Canyon.

Hal Stewart is a construction worker turned sculptor! Born and raised in Southern Illinois, he has lived in Arizona for many years and worked in the construction industry. He raised and successfully showed Appaloosas, Quarter and Saddlebred horses.

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Membership

Please welcome our new members! Add their information into your new membership book.

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Upcoming Dates You Need to Know About

The All Member Show will be moved to February, to make it easier for Tour participants to hang their art at the Community Center the month prior.

Gallery Change at Ftn. View Village on April 30, 9-11am, Pick up current works and bring new art, 2 pieces per artist. There is no theme. Call Joan Campbell at 480-837-7712 October General Meeting is changed to 2nd Monday, October 8th.

Coffee at Fountain View Village

A reminder to all members that there is a group of our artists that meets Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. for coffee at Fountain View Lounge. It is a good opportunity to learn more about what goes on within the art league. Friendship, Conversation and Coffee are Free. Every member is welcome.

Sandy Herbst, Justine Waldie & Pat Lain met the Easter Bunny in March.



Student Donations



At our April Pot Luck, **Adrian Larsen** from the Fountain Hills Middle School's Art Department represented the other Art Teachers and was presented three \$500 Arizona Art Supply Gift Certificates to go to the art students at the FH High School, Middle School, and Four Peaks Elementary School. She stated the monies go toward much needed art supplies since many school budgets have been reduced making it difficult for art teachers to supply their students. She said at one point the money made it possible for Adrian to purchase paper for her students.

Alaina Olmstead was the first student to be awarded the \$100 yearly from the "Jean Thomsen Memorial Award and was presented by Steve Thomsen. Alaina could not be there to receive the award since she was attending the Track Meet. Her Fountain Hills High School Relay team with Alaina running won a Silver Medal and she personally won Silver and Bronze medals. Just recently Alaina broke the record for the 200 yd. dash. Good going Alaina!

April Artists of the Month



1st Place goes to Bruce Boyce. The medium is Metal Photographic Print, title of image is "Future Monolith". Picture was taken 3/9/2008, and sat on my hard disk until I rediscovered it about a year ago, and re-cropped it.

The name of the piece stems from an imagined time far in the future when some civilization comes across this unknown concrete structure, half buried in the sand in the middle of the great southwestern desert that has no rivers, no lakes, absolutely no water for hundreds of miles. Like the monolith in the movie 2001: a Space Odyssey, the sight of this unknown structure will confound all those from that future civilization who see it, but are unable to glean any meaning of its existence or relevance to their civilization.

2nd Place Winner: Barbara Drake is shown with her large oil painting entitled "Giant of the Desert"

<u> April</u>

50/50 Winner: Melody Kennedy Arizona Art Gift Certificate: Jane McElroy

Tour Winner

The winner of the Tour Gift Certificate for going to all the Venues was Linda Combs from Rio Verde. She was very sweet and she expressed being very excited about winning the gift certificate. She has chosen to use the Certificate to purchase gourds from Mary Lou Molloy. Mary Lou expresses thanks to the Art League Tour Group. Congratulations Mary Lou!!



Hal Stewart, Sculptor continued

For years he owned and operated a small ranch in Southeastern Arizona, where he raised alfalfa hay and a few head of cattle. During this time Hal became very much aware of the Native American Indian culture when he began riding in parades dressed in an authentic Nez Perce Indian Chief costume. Without any training and not knowing what he was doing he picked up a piece of clay and "accidentally" discovered his unknown sculpting talent. Since 2000 he has completed over 40 additional sculptures. His subject matters vary—Native American Indians, cattle, trappers and mountain men, birds, cowboys, pioneers, animals, spiritual, and others.

In the summer of 2013, the Desert Caballeros Western Art Museum in Wickenburg honored Hal with a 3 month exhibit of his sculptures. He was selected to serve as an Artist in Residence at the North Rim of the Grand Canyon (2005), Mesa Verde National Park (2014), Paducah Art Alliance in Paducah, KY(2017), and in April 2018, Chaco Canyon National Park in NM.

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