



Consider this your official notice:

Annual Meeting

We are holding our annual meeting, opening the Member Show, and kicking off our membership drive on Friday, April 14, at 6 p.m. Pop on in for a reading (maybe), an always-exciting financial update, a few libations, snacks, and socialization.

No need to stay in the dark

Wondering what the Challis Arts Council is doing any given week? Have notices on Facebook and email eluded you?

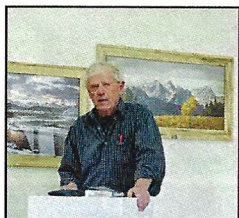
Visit: challisartscouncil.org

A website that is updated regularly and has lots of photos of the latest gallery show. Go ahead, pull it up, it's still cool to look at web sites. And it keeps you from being surprised to learn there's an opening or performance coming up.

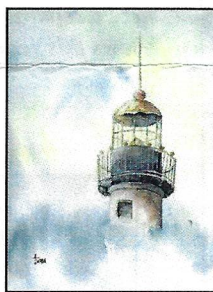


Marlies Stroes von Thun at her "Modern Joy" show, above.

David Kimpton, below, reading from his book *Mountainous Events* during the annual meeting.



Teresa Wade and one of her pieces at her show "The Girl Who Held the Brush."



One of the many creations from the 2022 Beautiful Dreamers show.

All photos courtesy of Mary V. Paris

What did we do this past year?

It's not easy with a limited volunteer base to keep the membership apprised of all our activities, but rest assured, we've been busy.

This past 12 months, MadDog Gallery, hosted these shows:

- Beautiful Dreamers, our youngest artists in the community
- Young Artists with Challis Jr. Sr. High choir kicking off the opening
- Member Show and annual meeting with Dave Kimpton reading from his book *Mountainous Events*
- Teresa Wade, "The Girl Who Held the Brush"
- Earth, Wind & Fire, a mix of woodwork, ceramics and metal work
- Marlies Stroes von Thun, "Modern Joy," paintings and sculpture
- Artisans Market, our annual holiday bazaar.

Challis Arts Council hosted Adam and Amy Pope, a musical duo motoring their way cross-country from Tennessee, and stopping in Challis to perform a concert in the park for Independence Day.

We also, with help from our Educational Performing Arts sponsors, brought in Missoula Children's Theatre. Shake-

Membership: We ended the fiscal year with 88 members who contributed \$7,717.

Thanks to each and every one of you!

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The Challis Jr. Sr. High School choir performed for the opening of last winter's Young Artist Show.

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speariance was supposed to perform, but illness kept them from coming.

We chased grants, and so far have secured four out of six, kept the gift shop open most weeks, plus volunteers stepped up to be open on Saturday of the Braun Brothers Reunion and the holiday season after Thanksgiving. And a couple of us sent out a lot of thank you notes, hopefully the total was 88.

An AmeriCorp crew oiled some of the good siding left on the building one hot summer day.

We applied for, and received, a Public Programs in the Arts grant from Idaho Commission on the Arts/National Endowment for the Arts, as well as a windfall grant from the American Rescue Plan this past year. These monies helped pay for administrative staff, otherwise known as Melissa, bookkeeping services and office utilities.

We haven't received any scholarship requests since 2021 but stand ready to award one if there are applicants.

And what about this year?

Shakespeare came in February, performing "Much Ado

About Nothing" for students and adults, as well as holding a workshop for students.

Missoula Children's Theatre spent a week in March to direct Challis school students in a performance of "King Arthur's Quest."

We're currently scheming on gallery shows for this year (tattoos may actually happen in late May!), plus are working with the Challis Area Chamber of Commerce to bring in more music for Independence Day at Centennial Park.

Volunteers

Many thanks to the following people who showed up and did things that kept Challis Arts Council a functional organization: Melissa Fitzgerald, Anna Means, Claudia Whitten, Mary Paris, Polly King, Sally Summers, Justina Fraueberger, Audra Serrian, Jennifer Purvine, Pam Lemmon Wilson, Linda King, Rocky Knop, Reza Gray, David Keiski, Karen Scheider, Jeanice Peterson.

At right, is a piece from the Young Artist Show.



Eduardo Paris' woodwork, below, featured in two separate shows this year.

Making progress



The dilapidated siding project is coming along, slowly but surely. CAC received two grants, one from Idaho Community Foundation for \$3,000 and another from CHC Foundation for \$6,100. We're being considered for another \$5,000 by the Steele-Reese Foundation. We will have all the money we need if that goes through (thanks to contributions to our fundraiser two summers ago). Denis DuBois bid the job for a bit over \$16,000. We hope the facelift starts this summer.

