

# Arts Monthly The Official Newsletter of Garrard Arts

# **President's Report**

C. Dewayne Horn

### **Measuring Success**

Recently in a job interview I was asked, "How do you measure success in your life?".



This caused me to ponder and think a minute, not for the answer, but for the answer the interviewer was expecting. I could not determine the words the interviewer was seeking, so I gave her my true response. My answer was this, "I do not measure success in my life in the way that most people my age probably do. The way success is measured for me personally is by the legacy that I leave behind when I'm gone." The interviewer raised her eyebrow at my philosophical answer to a simple question. The tough questions in life are what can tell us the most about our inner self.

My family constantly questions me in disapproval about the reason I stretch myself so thin. Working a full-time job, being President of the Garrard County Arts Council and sitting on the Board of Directors for the Garrard County Chamber of Commerce. It's not because I always enjoy it, but it is for the lives I touch and the legacy that I leave behind. I leave you with this question to ponder, "If you go your entire life and no one remembers you for what you have done for others, have you really lived a successful life?

-Dewayne Horn

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all!

# **Arts Center Report**

Bobbie Gayle Lewis

### Socializing is Important

After the onset of the pandemic large groups no longer could gather, soon even small groups couldn't. As human



beings we need socialization, we crave connection and belonging.

Staying social and connected improves the quality of life. Studies show being social decreases depression and improves our overall mental health. They show that it can reduce the risk for cardiovascular disease, cancer, osteoporosis, rheumatoid arthritis, lowers blood pressure and boosts our immunity sytems. The feedback we get



Over 65 Painters

from social interaction boosts confidence and self-esteem and improves our cognitive abilities.

Spending time

with others helps us feel useful and that our life has a greater purpose. We also benefit from having an outside perspective on ourselves; giving us a sense of our place in the world.

Garrard Arts Center believes in the benefits of socialization and have created groups like our

Painters, and Crafters Corner to encourage creativity. Join one of the groups offered; have fun, be creative and socialize. For more information contact BG Lewis @ 859.334.0422

Needle Group, Over 65



Kids After School Art Club



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### Arts Center Report continued

Our application for Lancaster City Grant was turned in on November 1st. Decisions should be made at the December Town Council Meeting. We have been awarded a grant from Southern Arts in the amount of \$2,100. This grant will be used to pay our mortgage for nine months beginning in January 2022.

We have established a new advertising program. How it works; we give you 10% OFF coupons. You place your name and phone number on the back of the coupon and share them with your neighbors and friends. When they redeem them, they receive 10% OFF their purchase and the coupon with your name and number are placed in our bowl for a monthly drawing for a gift certificate to a local business. Letters have been sent to all the local businesses in town describing our plan and requesting their participation. The goal is to encourage local shopping and to highlight the businesses in our community. Volunteers are still needed to help with the gift shop.

Your volunteer hours help support the ARTS in our community. Contact Tammy Woods @ 859-334-0422 for an interview.

# **Classes and Events**



Over 65 Painters

every Tuesday @ 11:30 am and work on a project lead by artist BG Lewis. Lots of laughter and socializing happens while they paint.

The new class: 65 and Over Painters, is off to a good start. They meet

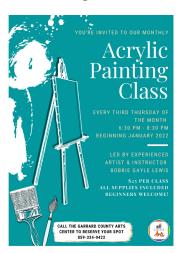


Needle Group

Joanna Koob has resumed the Needle Group. They meet the first Tuesday of the month at 10:30

Friday Artist's group meets on Fridays @ 11:30. Working independently on projects, they share information in a social setting. Beginning in Jan. Susan Anderson is offering a crochet class on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Additional information will be forth coming.





Mommy and Me will be resuming. I am awaiting further information about dates, times, and subject.

We will be adding a rock painters' group.

They will paint all winter as part of the "Community Rock "program sponsored by our local 4H. preparing for spring when

we can place the rocks in locations to be discovered in hopes of adding a bit of cheer to someone's day.

After School Art Club has grown to 21 children each week. Seeking artists to share their genre of art with this group or just volunteer your time to assist at one of these programs.





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### CONTEST

### Photo Essay "Picture worth a thousand words"

Congratulations to all the winners!



First Place-Photographhy
Dewayne Horn - "Curtis"



Second Place- Photographhy Geri Trinler - "2 Cats and a Smiling Dog"



Third Place- Photographhy

Marilyn Boyd - "What's for Dinner?"

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

I am looking for someone that would be interested in leading the Crafters Corner on Wednesdays. Contact the Arts Center @ 859 334 0422 for details.

We are searching for someone with grant writing experience to help with grants.

We need volunteers to do a little painting come January. Our walls could use a little touch up.

If you can help, contact BG Lewis @ 859.334.0422 to sign up and get more information on dates and times.

# "Outrageous Orange" Exhibition Results

Congratulations to all of the winners!



First Place- Painting
Rose Amburgey



Second Place-Painting

Janice Miller



First Place- Multi-Media Havdee Verdia



Second Place- Multi-Media
Dianne Sawyer



First Place- Mini Rene Keaton



First Place- Painting

Maisy Ray- Youth



Second Place- Painting Summer Gomez- Youth



First Place- Drawing Kalyn Caudil- Youth



Second Place- Drawing Cheyenne Day- Youth



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# **Artist of the Month**

### Jo Nunemaker



Jo is a Kentuckian, returned home after 25 years. She grew up in Falmouth, Kentucky and was a student throughout her primary and secondary school education; a student of both Diane Platt and Brenda McGinnis.

Jo attended Clayton State

University in Morrow, Georgia and graduated with her Bachelor of Music in 1998, while she continued to practice her art. In the early 2000's, Jo became more active with her painting and drawing, picking up continuing education classes at Savannah College of Art and Design in Atlanta, Georgia, studying with Nan McGarity and Carol Fuller.

After moving to Alaska in 2008 where she was employed by the Federal Aviation Administration, Jo took up the brush again. Her focus being on color statements of deep personal emotion and experience.

It is with great joy and gratitude that she now joins the Garrard Arts Center!







### Calendar and Classes

#### Needle Group

Dates: Every Tuesday Time: 10am - 12noon

#### Kids Art Club

Dates: Every Tuesday Time: 3:45pm - 4:45pm

### Crafts Pop-Up Sale

Dates: Dec. 4th Time: 10:30am - 4:30pm

#### **Painters Group**

Dates: Every Friday Time: 11am - 3pm Exhibition: Dec. 8 - 31

### Snow Pretty Exhibit

Entries Due: December 5th Time: 3pm Exhibition: Dec. 8 - 31

#### Santa Paws

Date: December 11th Time: 11:45am - 3pm

### Winter Blues Contest

Entries Due: January 7th Time: TBA

### Blue Jean Gala 2022

Date: May 14 Time: TBA

# **Fundraising**

by Rene Keaton

We are creating a cookbook! Do you have a recipe, an old photo of ancestors cooking that has been

passed down in your family that you would like to share? We are asking for \$2.00 per item. (Example: a recipe plus a story would be \$4.00).

**No** original pics please. Accepting cash or checks, written out to "Garrard Arts".

Mail to: Garrard Arts Center, Attn: Cookbook, 206 Lexington St., Lancaster, KY 40444, PAVORITE RECIPES

RECIPES

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or you can drop it off at GAC. If you would rather pay using PayPal, send to:

loretta.rinthen@garrardarts.com with "cookbook and your name" in the message/note area. If using this method, please email the recipe, photo, or story to me or send questions to me at: rene.keaton@garrardarts.com

