

# Gulf Breeze Arts Inc. (GBAI)

## November/December 2019 Newsletter

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#### Message from the President: The Prez Sez:

May this season bring a very special joy into our world.

Looking forward to our annual G.B.A.I. Christmas party at Carol Holland Doyle's house on Saturday, December 14, 2016 at 4 pm. Her address is 4724 Hickory Shores Blvd, Gulf Breeze.



The traditional "Dirty Santa" game will take place. If you wish to participate, Bring a gift wrapped with no name on the wrapping.

Bring a covered dish or party food, as well.

A short meeting will also take place prior to the party.

Laugh and leap and say you are merry.

Scott

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The last GBAI meeting was held in the Clay Ford room at the Gulf Breeze Community Center on

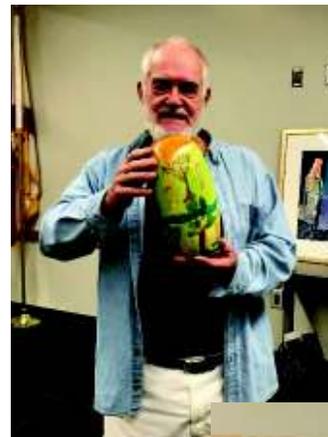
November 5, 2019 at 6pm with President Scott Stahler presiding. The big happening of the meeting was choosing the winner of the 2020 Gulf Breeze Arts Festival official poster. Marcia Burroughs of Fort Walton Beach won the poster contest.



Through the efforts of Ralph Thomas the submitted posters were made available for viewing and vote casting in the entrance area of the Gulf Breeze Community Center. Each poster was

numbered and the vote was by number. The GBAI members made their selection by voting on the posters that received more votes from the public. The winning poster artist will receive a \$250 cash award. The original will be reproduced as posters and printed on the festival tee shirts which will be for sale during the festival held on March 28-29 2020 in the Gulf Breeze High School parking lot. The signed original will be auctioned off during the festival by silent auction method.

This meeting was blessed with many guests; Dawn Hargrove, Connie Rova (new member), Nikolay Protsyuk. Jamie Brooks, Judith Brooks and Wanda Brown.



The program was first on the agenda and members, Ralph Thomas and Marcia Moritz, were at their best. Ralph Thomas is Woodturning artist. He has won many awards with his Woodturning of bowls, vases, boxes and

other unique gift items. Marcia Moritz, painter for many years, who taught experimental watercolor at



Pensacola State College Continuing Education Program for several years, is now concentrating on blind contour figure drawings done in ink on brown paper. Two of her newest pieces are now part of the Cinco Banderas permanent collection. Thomas and Moritz presented a program on pouring and daubing colors on wood, fabric, and paper. Each

demonstrated this technique in their particular art talents

Kudos for GBAI members:

- Marcia Moritz won 2 purchase awards at the Artel Cinco Banderas Show. They purchased her pieces for their permanent collection.
- Fuller Brown, Marcia Moritz, and Charlie



Terrell won prizes in the Pensacola Interstate Fair Art Show.

The GBAI Christmas party will be held at Carole Holland-Doyle's home on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. Members and guests will bring a potluck dish and

come prepared to play dirty Santa which requires that they bring a gift hopefully related to art. There will be a short business meeting at the party to complete the voting for officer's process.

Catherine Foley, festival director shared that: The GBAI festival activities are up to date are ahead of where we should be, Everyone is welcome to the festival meetings. She will serve as festival director for two years. Other happening include:

Scott Stahler announced that the judges have



been named; Crist Lien will be the outside judge and Suzanne Roberts will be the indoor judge.

Vice President Ralph Thomas distributed sponsorship applications to everyone and

stressed the importance for everyone to try to get sponsors

There was a discussion about adding an Art Camp to the regular summer camp at the Rec Center.

Barbara Thomas is trying to get all the past posters on our website but a few are missing.

Betty Allen, Anne Geisel, and Carole Holland-



Doyle volunteered to be the nominating committee for our 2020 officers.

There was no regular meeting on December 3; the next meeting will be the annual Christmas party held at Carol Holland Doyle home on December 14, 2019 at 4pm.

## Holiday Card from Mrs. Claus to Civic and Social Clubs

Again we have arrived at the time of year where I hope everyone has many happy and festive thoughts," says Mrs. Clause "At this joyous time of year, the community non-profits are grateful for the work you do. You club members have family and friends who need your attention and yet somehow you manage to do both and in doing so you help to promote a holiday season filled with joy and meaning."



Mrs. Claus continues, "The holidays are a time of joy and celebration with family and friends. Many people are searching for happiness with peace and contentment. Those with children are happy to see their smiles and hear their laughter at the discovery of Santa's gifts. This feeling of joy may last through the New Year."

"After New Year's day, continues Mrs. Claus, "comes some reality. Children prepare to go back to school; grown-ups to work; relatives return home; and decorations are put away. Some face the reality of overspending but most remember the joy and feel it was worth it."

"Some ask why we can't have the holiday spirit all-year-around. I answer it would not be a special time of the year if that happened. People do keep the spirit of giving all year through participating in civic clubs who do so much for their community. So keep up the good work"

*Mrs. Claus*

### Editor's Note:



If you wish to put an item or more in the newsletter please send the information to [allenfarrell@cox.net](mailto:allenfarrell@cox.net) by the 15th of each month.

There is only one attachment about which you should peruse and make decisions. Attachment #1: The November membership Minutes. Please read them carefully and be prepared to approve as written or as corrected at the November meeting.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thanks for letting me be a member of the team.

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