

Farmer's Co-op - C. L. Thurmond Building

President's Column



Is everybody ready for the bazaar? I'm not but come Bazaar time November 15th I am determined I will be. I am busy finishing up my pottery class and being a grandpa but will find some time to make a few ornaments, and small watercolors. I plan to use the time we members meet on Mondays from 10-2 to devote to that and you are welcome to come and do the same. I will do what I can at my house in the evening or weekends and again I hope you will do the same. My point is that any given time we are all busy but I am hoping all of you that are artistic and able will make the extra effort to create some new ornaments, paintings, wood items, or whatever you think will sell. I am writing this because I sent an E-mail to all the members and asked if they would call and let me know what they were planning to bring and I only had one reply that they would not have anything. I am concerned that when bazaar time comes in a couple of weeks, we will not have very much to offer. Remember that you can bring paintings and other larger items to sell on commission or you can donate items so these can be some things you have already done. Still, for my peace of mind, could you call me and let me know what you are planning to bring. 649-8309

Remember we will be decorating the League for Christmas the week before the Bazaar during gallery hours so you might call me to see what and when we will be doing that. The more helping makes less work for everybody. Not everyone can create the art but you can help setting up or with the Bazaar on Saturday. Call, leave msg. 649-8309 Tell everybody you see the next two weeks about the bazaar and encourage them to come.



It's that wonderful time of the year!

Snow on the Ground - well maybe not But it is getting closer to the Christmas season and our annual Bazaar is right around the corner. In fact, in only 2 weeks we will open our doors to the public with our facility all decorated for the holiday season and numerous items for sale. We want to encourage our members to

1. Come help decorate the gallery and outside of our building from Nov. 10-14 during regular gallery hours.
2. Participate by bringing items to sell - these can be ornaments, paintings, sculptures, wood creations, pottery, etc. Small items sell well and we need new tree ornaments on our trees. Some have been there for a number of years - it's time for a NEW LOOK!
3. We need you to spread the word - word of mouth is always better than reading about it.

Classes Being Offered this Month:

Michael Windberg - oil painting on Mondays from 2-5 or 6-9. Cost is \$30 a session. Call him at 649-2833 or email him at mrwindberg@gmail.com to sign up

Jim Feig - Beginning Digital Photography starting November 11th from 6:30-8:30 Contact Jim for details at 576-0578

Jim Frank - Clay Animal Sculpture - must contact Jim for details on time and cost. Call Jim at 649-6628

Sara Aleman - Children's classes (see article) last page

Bill Bauer - A Drawing class for beginners. This will be offered in the future only if there is enough interest. Contact Bill if this is something you would like to participate in at 649-8309 or 575-3216

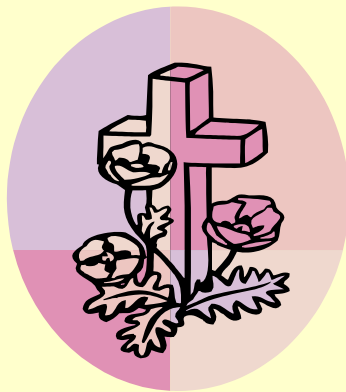


Pastel Workshop to be Given by Rita Kirkman on November 7, 8 and Demo on November 9th!

Rita is a fabulous pastel artist and a very kind and generous person who is very helpful and knowledgeable. The class is for beginners as well as more advanced. If you've always wanted to learn how to use pastels, here is your chance! You need to sign up via her website and see the list of supplies needed. If you do not have everything, a lot of the time we can share some supplies plus Rita also brings supplies for the participants to try out. You will need a basic set of pastels to start. Most of the paintings we do are small 5x7, 6x6 etc so we can do several a day to learn faster.

She has several ways to pay and she gives a discount for VAL members. Click the drop down box for payments to show VAL member discount. Joyce Ritchey is not handling the reservations as Rita does her own. You can use PayPal, credit cards, or mail in a form and payment. Please sign up as soon as possible as she has to have a certain number of students to make the class. Please do not wait to the last minute! We are very fortunate to have an artist of Rita's reknown come to Victoria to teach.

Her address is RitaKirkman.com or rita@ritakirkman.com



A Memorial Service in memory of long time member of the Victoria Art League, Sonny Timme will be held on the patio November 16th at 2:00. Sonny was a wonderful artist and teacher and many lives were touched by his humble personality and desire to help others become better at their art. We will miss him.

Reminder to Those who Took Angie Banta Brown's watercolor workshop

Angie will be back November 17th to teach the final day of her class - hours still the same 9:00-3:00.

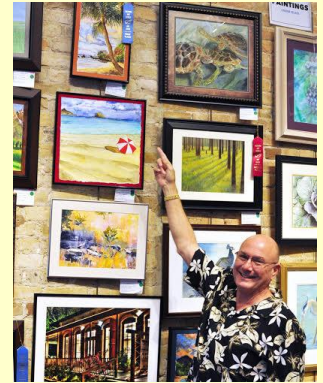




Guests enjoying the show



Earl Smith - Best of Show



Dr. Breech with his 1st place ribbon

ADULT FALL ART SHOW RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

With the expert guidance of Jim and Judy Feig and help from our hanging committee and other members, VAL had a wonderful Fall Art Show. Our very qualified judge, Cynthia Miller, Artist in Residence at UHV had a difficult time selecting the top entries. Although Jim sent the results to our members, we wanted to list them once again and say congratulations!

Best of Show – Earl Smith “On the Way Home” oil

Paintings, Not under glass

Category – Beginning 1st – Jim Nichols “Harold’s Guns” 2nd – Jim Nichols “Horse”

**Category – Advanced 1st– Earl Smith “On the Way Home” 2nd – Dave Ludlow “Mission Santo”
3rd – Earl Smith “Doe in the Twilight” HM – Laurel Starry Thomas,
Bill Bauer and Ralph Howard**

Paintings Under Glass

Category Beginner 1st – Chris Wade “Loyalty”

**Category Advanced 1st – Don Breech “Serenity” 2nd – Katie Kaufman “Forest Shadows”
3rd – Joyce Ritchey “Taos Pottery” HM – Alice Vickers, Paula Kainer**

Drawing

Category Beginner HM – Chris Wade “Ancestors”

Category Advanced 1st – Mary Smith “Grackle Semi-Finals” 2nd – Katie Kaufman “Anna”

Mixed and other Media

Category –Beginning 1st – Melisa Lewis “The Warrior”

**Category – Advanced 1st – Peggy Yandell “Box Turtle” 2nd – Barbara Dietzel “Dressed in Red”
3rd – Gloria Ludlow “Seascape”**

Photography

Category Beginning 1st - Don Clark “Parked and Peeling” 2nd – Debbie Grimes “Butterfly Fly”

Category Advanced 1st – Jim Feig “Night Bloomer” 2nd –Janice Carriger “Aspens”

Three Dimensional Art

Category Beginning 1st -Judy Feig “Bay Horse Head”

**Category Advanced 1st – Richard Ward “Texas Hybrid” 2nd – Will Armstrong “Bobble Bird”
3rd – Donald Blavier “Woodland Blossom”**

Digital Art

Category Advanced – Jim Feig “Glory Street”



Don't Forget

PAINTING THE TOWN

Call Eunice Collins at 576-4043 for times and cost. Look up Painting the Town Victoria on her Facebook page



Message Board

VAL Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday Nov 5th at 2:00 in the gallery

Children's Art Classes

Children's classes are in full swing, but it's not too late to come participate. There are 5 lessons remaining in the fall session. Classes are held each Tuesday from 4:30-5:30 and is geared toward ages 8 and up.

To register, please contact Sara by phone, 512-767-8383 or email Sara.aleman520@gmail.com

New Members of VAL

**John and Kathy Kaminski, Margo Thorn
Jessica Helms, Mary Nell Murray
Janice Carriger, Katie Kaufman
Will Armstrong, Kathy Cary
Ivonne and Henry Lopez-Roman**

Return Service Requested

