

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

## President's Letter



Alas, this will be my last Presidents letter. We have accomplished much during my years as your leader thanks to the efforts of a few faithful, hard working members, who, without their help, we would not be able to enjoy much of what has been built, taught, and experienced during these few years. Thanks to Jim and Judy Feig for always stepping in when some area needed leadership. Thanks Jim for being our treasurer for most of those years. Marc Hinojosa, thanks for taking care of our grounds and rentals, and Marie Frankson for her tireless efforts to seek grants so we were able to accomplish so many improvements to our historic building and to Court, her husband, who even though not a member was so willing to give much time and effort to draw up many of our renovation plans and other hands on improvements. Thank you Court. Thanks to Peggy Yandell for putting together art shows over the years, the last one on display this month. I know there are many who gave time and effort to keep this organization running and I don't want to miss anyone but just know that I do appreciate all you do, whether seen or unseen. It is with a full heart that I leave the Presidency to a very capable man (who has done this many times!) and know that I will still be on the Board as a Director so call me if you have any concerns or suggestions. Be Blessed

As the sun sets on another year here at the Victoria Art League, I want to thank all those who have helped with all our social functions. Michelle Robles, whose decorating sense has made every function a memorable one. You are a wonderful artist and I appreciate your input in every aspect. To all those faithful members who were always there to bring goodies for our meetings or take the time to help set up for special functions and receptions - THANK YOU!!! I will be resigning as your newsletter editor and Toni Ross, a very capable and wonderful lady will be taking over. Thank you Toni!

Also, we will need someone to take over the Social Chairman's position as I will be leaving that also. Please call Jim Feig or Bill Bauer if you feel you have the calling to do this. There are many spots to fill this year - some place for every member and we would welcome your input and your participation. Be blessed as we start another year here at the Victoria Art League.



## Another Successful Youth Art Show!!

There were a couple of hundred people at our reception (standing room only!) for the 2017 Youth Art Show, Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Parents, grandparents, youth and friends gathered in the Nichols Gallery to view all the artwork entered in our Art Show and see the winners selected by our judge, Dana Wright, a retired art teacher. Many, many thanks to Peggy Yandell for all her hard work in putting this show together, to Ralph, Allen, Curtis and Bill for hanging the show on Friday, to all those who helped register the entries on Wednesday and Thursday and to all of you who brought refreshments for the reception and to Michelle Robles who is the guiding light on decorating the area. . We had more than enough and never ran out! Our members came through once again.

Listed below are the Best of Show winners for each level who received \$100 and all winners' names can be seen on our facebook page or come pick up a program at the Art League. The show will remain up until May 20<sup>th</sup> - remember each visit you can vote for People's Choice which will be awarded at the end of the show. That youth will receive \$25.

Elementary Best of Show: Sophia Hinojosa "Soaking up the Rays"

Middle School Best of Show: Chi-Yin Cheng "My Show! My Life~"

High School Best of Show: Chris Ralston "From Oak to Ashes"

### Classes Being Offered this Month:

**Michael Windberg - Oil Painting on Mondays** from 6-9. Cost is \$30 a session.. Call him at 649-2833 or email him at [mrwindberg@gmail.com](mailto:mrwindberg@gmail.com) to sign up. An afternoon class will still be possible if enough people sign up so contact if interested.

**Jim Feig- Photography** - Jim is holding a Basic Photo class and an Advanced photography at the present time. . Contact Jim at 576-0578 or 649-8738 for more information on upcoming classes.

**Julia Atkinson - Drawing** - Tuesday and Thursday 10-1 and Sunday 2-5. If interested contact her at 361-652-4005 for cost and for more information.

**Candace Coyle - Beginning Drawing** - Saturdays. Call Candace for more information on times and costs. Candace is presently the art instructor at East High School. Her number is 582-6435

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!!



(One of our last year's parties!)

Our monthly meeting will be on May 21<sup>st</sup> this month in the gallery. Besides installing our new officers, members will be invited to partake in a catered light lunch from The Grapevine Café will be provided by the Art League. **In order to have enough food, please text or call Susan Bauer at 361-649-8308 by May 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Come fellowship with your other members and hear about our many accomplishments this year by outgoing president Bill Bauer.



Sierra Wilson will be offering art classes during the summer .. She will be offering a Toddler class on Fridays once a month where the parent attends with the child. She will also be starting a new semester with Art Basics for ages 5-9, Art for Homeschoolers, ages 8-16 and Art Techniques and Concepts for ages 10-17.

Sierra has her own web page - [victoriaartsforkids.weebly.com](http://victoriaartsforkids.weebly.com) where she explains all the classes, the cost and the times offered. These classes are by semester but you can enroll anytime

## VAL Officers Elected at our Monthly meeting in April

President: Jim Feig  
 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President: Judy Feig  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Ingra Sparkman  
 Recording Secretary: Sandra Heinold  
 Corresponding Secretary: Cheryl Cali  
 Treasurer: Janice Carriger  
 Public Relations: Ingra Sparkman  
 Property Manager: Marc Hinojosa  
 Parliamentarian: Ralph Howard  
 Directors: Bill Bauer, Paula Kainer, Joyce Ritchey

These will be installed on May 21<sup>st</sup> at our final meeting for the year.

## Photos from the CONVENT Exhibit Reception



## Pictures from the Youth Show Reception



Reminder that the VAL Board meeting will be on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00.

Officers and any interested members are invited to attend.

### 50/50 Artists for May

During May and the Youth Art Show, we will be featuring the artwork done by students at West High School, East High School and St. Joseph High School. May 1-7 will feature works from West High School, teacher Sarah Ardner. May 8-14 will be works from East High School, instructor Candace Coyle and May 15-21 will be Saint Joseph High School.



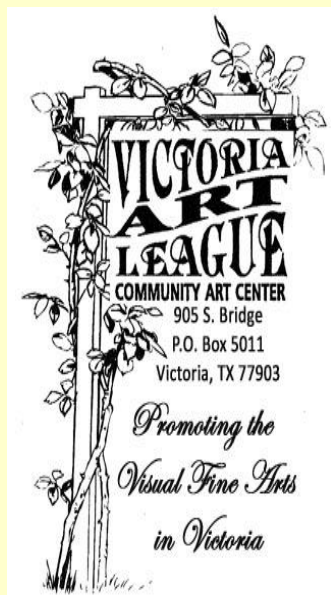
### PAINTING THE TOWN

Come have a great time with family and friends at our social painting class.

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

**Members**, don't forget to come view the art for our **50/50 artists** . The display changes every week so there is always more to view and admire.

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