

# VALUE STROKES

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## APRIL MEETING

The April meeting of the Southwest Florida Pastel Society met on April 19th at Worthington Country Club hosted by Ruthe Sholler. Our president, Veronica Chaberski welcomed a new member, Debba Pearce.

## WEBSITE

Our webmaster, Lyn Jensen, reported that the site [www.pastelsociety.org](http://www.pastelsociety.org) has been functioning since November of 2015. The up-to-date membership roster is now available on the site. Lyn has suggested that each member update his/her profile for the Members' Gallery. If you have not yet submitted your work for the Members' Gallery, you may do so for a one-time fee of \$30.

## Scholarship

We now have a scholarship committee consisting of Veronica Chaberski, Don Jones, Pam Conrad and Alice Fjelstul. This committee has revised the application form making three changes: 1) Artwork may be downloaded by jpeg. 2) The scholarship award previously set at \$500 per student in each of the three counties of Collier, Lee and Charlotte has been changed to \$1,000 per recipient. 3) The committee would LIKE at least one of the submissions to be PASTEL.

The new forms were sent out and the response has been good from each of the three counties. The committee will now meet to select the winners.



### Executive Committee:

President: Veronica Chaberski  
1st Vice- President: Lynn Miller  
2nd Vice-President: Pam Conrad  
Treasurer: Diane Kendall  
Secretary: Sharon Lamarra

Veronica requested that any suggestions to further improve our scholarship program be emailed to her.

## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Gwenneth Barth-White      November 16-18, 2016  
Richard McKinley          February 2017

Volunteers such as hosting artists, securing models, providing meals or entertainment while guest artists are here will have a secured spot for the workshop.

A vote was taken at the meeting by a show of hands to approve a \$10 fee for the November demo given by Gwenneth Barth-White. We thank Letitia Morrissey-Halpin for considering the position of Workshop Chairperson. She would replace Gerry Roeder who resigned earlier this month.

It also seems likely that we will want a co-chair for this position. Please consider this fun and rewarding chairmanship.

## SUNSHINE

Mary Deppe, our Sunshine Chair, reported that Evelyn Swanson is making progress in her recovery. We are anxious to see her return to good health. Prayers and best wishes to you, Evelyn.

## PLEIN AIRE

Our plein aire organizer, Bob Fleeson, reports that there has been a small turn out for most of the outings. Therefore Ruthe Sholler suggested that we join other art groups for these plein aire events. Other possibilities were mentioned for further discussion at a later time.

## THE WINNERS CIRCLE

Veronica announced that the Winner Circle Show will be held Feb. 4 to March 4, 2017 at the Naples Art Association. The prospectus and eligibility sheet will be on the website. If you qualify please contact Veronica before Oct 15, 2016.



## Volunteer Luncheon

A luncheon was given for all those who volunteered during this past year. It was held at the Vineyards Country Club on April 13th hosted by Lynn Miller.

Twenty volunteers attended a delicious luncheon party in a private dining room overlooking the pool in celebration of the great year we had. Veronica welcomed and thanked the volunteers for their particular roles in making our group run smoothly and help to make our group a successful and appreciated group of dedicated artists who make a difference in our communities.

Enjoy this great collage of photos from the luncheon!



## NAME TAGS

Julie Beyer announced that she has name tags that have not been picked up. Please remember to collect them at the next meeting. Thank you.

## PROGRAM

Marianne Crowley, a registered nurse, educated our group with a very informative talk on the hazards of pastel. The talk will be posted on the Website for those who were unable to attend the meeting.

## Extras!

- Marianne Crowley reminded the group to submit suggestions to her for the Naples Depot Show with the Historical Transportation theme.
- Jean McNamara called our attention to the article of tribute to Jackie Moore in the CFABS's Monthly magazine. You may call 239-495-8989 for information regarding donations.

**NEXT MEETING** will be held at Worthington Country Club on May17, 2016. Lunch will be our own responsibility since the Cabana will be closed. The program for the meeting will be a "challenge" called Paint A Quote. Participation in this exercise will be thought-provoking, creative, educational and especially fun!



Marianne Crowley during her talk



Members listening to presentation

**SEE YOU IN MAY!!!**