

July 2023

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#### President's Note - OPAA President Debbie Young

Send in pics of your

Summer Vacation Art

I hope you are enjoying your summer travels and other activities. I find it difficult to get everything done in my day. Art tends to take a back seat. That's somewhat true for OPAA too. We take a summer hiatus. We will not have another general meeting till September. Nor will we be having Art Inspirations. The newsletter will be published as usual so be sure to send your news and pictures.



Mighty Minis 2023 and Gallery 223 on Hudon are in full swing. Don't forget to check them out online or in person at the gallery.

July's Art Challenge is "My Summer Vacation" remember those first days of school in the fall when that was always an assignment?

I hope you all have a wonderful and safe 4th of July. I'm off for a kayaking adventure... and some plein air painting too!!!!

On June 16th we had a great time at Art Inspirations when Marilyn Hiestand taught us how to do eco printing. So easy and unique!









#### PATRON MEMBERS:















YOUR LOGO HERE For only \$100 a year, businesses have their logo with a link to them appearing on the OPAA website and Facebook pages. In addition, logos will appear on material OPAA has printed during the year. This may be a tax write off, OPAA is a 501(c)3.

Please support OPAA's **Sponsor & Patron Members!** 

#### OPAA'S GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

\*\*Forgot the Members' Only page password???

Email: opaapresident2023@ gmail.com

The next General meeting will be held on

Join the meeting at 9:30 am for coffee & conversation with other artists. Business Meeting 10am

NEW LOCATION!!! Meetings are now being held at:

HARMONY CENTER 223 Hudon Rd., Sequim.

2023 MEETING DATES:

JANUARY 26th

FEBRUARY 23rd

MARCH 23rd

APRIL 27th

MAY 25th

JUNE 22nd Spring Luncheon ATC Exchange

> JULY No Meetings

AUGUST No General Meeting Board Meeting Only

SEPTEMBER 28th

OCTOBER 26th 2024 OPAA Board Member Vote

NOVEMBER No General Meeting

DECEMBER 7th Holiday Luncheon

\*NOTE: For in-person meetings we welcome you to wear a mask, but it is not required.

#### JUNE 22ND MEMBERSHIP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Debbie Young welcomed everyone to the June 22 Membership meeting.

Treasurer Mike Medler gave an overview of the May to date finances. Melody Todnem announced that there are 98 current members. Lauren Churchill reminded everyone that next quarter's show in the gallery is coming up in July. Debbie Young announced that the Mighty Minis 2023 show is online.

New business included the suggestion that we consider some sort of art classes through the summer. Two people asked for and signed up for "Open Studio" where everybody would bring their own projects to work on and we can chat and support each other. If you are interested, please let Debbie know - opaapresident2023@gmail.com.

OPAA takes a hiatus during the summer. Our next general meeting will be September 28th.

As the great smells of cooking ham wafted into the room, we were anxious to get on to the food! But first, ATC Exchange. Many people brought cards to exchange and we all walked around and admired the beautiful mini art cards.

Then we got on to the task of eating! There were wonderful dishes of all sorts complimented by ham and sliced turkey with lemonade, coffee and tea.

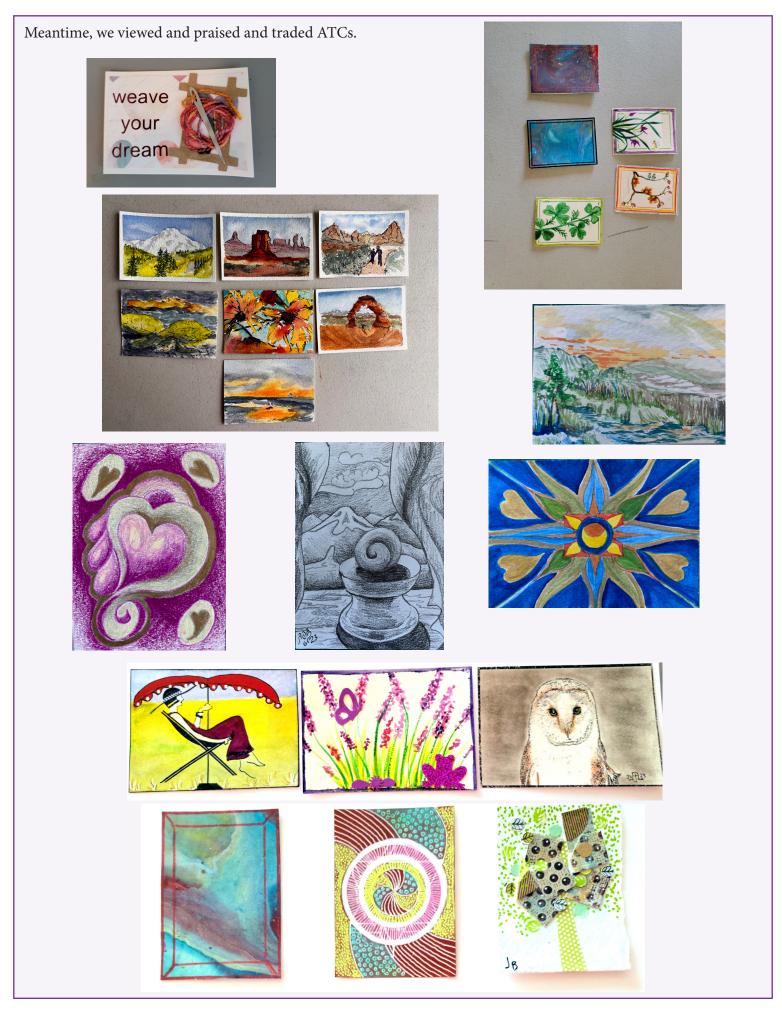
New this year, we had a contest for the best side and best dessert. Each winner was awarded a cookbook. Angela Harmon won best side for her broccoli salad and Melody Todnem won best dessert for her "Lemon Lust". (See recipes, page 11.)







OPAA says "THANK YOU!" to: Mike Medler for stepping into the role of treasurer.





Also remember to check our online calendar for events and changes. opaagroup.org



Harmony Center, Sequim! 223 Hudon Rd., Sequim https://harmonycentersequim. org/events/

OPAA holds all meetings and workshops at Harmony Center, Sequim.

Harmony Center's mission is to "Provide leadership and support for people pursuing inner peace, healthy relationships, and the creation of a more peaceful world." You can find out more at their primary website: https://harmonycentersequim.org.

Check out the calendar for movie nights, music discussions, art activities and Ted Circles.... plus, OPAA's own Gallery 223 on Hudon art gallery.

Everyone is welcome! OPAA events and Harmony Center events are listed on the calendar.



www.artworks2.org

# Be a part of OPAA's Gallery!



Summertime has arrived and the gallery is getting a *brand new* look! Come and check us out on



July 8<sup>th!</sup>



We will be OPENING our **Summer Show** From **Noon till 3pm** @223 Hudon, Sequim. Just follow the signs! See you there!



Cape George, Ultra low tide by Jeff Alford Photo on Glass



Many Thanks goes out to

for sponsoring our gallery!!

Several of our members are partipating in ArtWorks<sup>2</sup> at the Commons in Port Townsend in July. See page 11 for details.



#### ART NEWS!!! ARTISTS SHARE WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!!!

Members' share news, ideas, breakthroughs, etc. Let us know if you have some news you would like to share or know of an OPAA member who has some news. Send information with jpg images to: opaapresident2023@gmail.com

**Congratulations Randy!** 

Art Contest Winner - Randy Radock!



"Swimmin' Home", Block Print, Randy Radock

The art contest results are in, and the winner is... **Randy Radock's beautiful "Swimmin' Home"!** Congratulations Randy! And thank you to everyone who submitted art to our contest. It was tough to select just one from all the beautiful submissions. We are so lucky to be a part of such a talented community! Don't worry folks, we will be sharing all of the art submissions throughout the year so you can enjoy all the amazing art.

# Peninsula **A**RT Friends



Hattie Kauffman exhibited in

Peninsula ART Friends will be showing new art Thursday, June 1, through end of September at Wind Rose Cellars, 143 W. Washington Street. PAF members are Beverly Beighle, Melissa Doyle, Connie Drysdale, Cecilia Olivera-Hillway, Roger Huntley, Sarah Hurt, Jerri Moore, and Shirley Rudolf. Meet the artists during Sequim's Artwalk on Friday, July 7 from 5pm-7pm.

On Saturday only, September 2, PAF members and "guest artists" will have booths in front of Sequim Museum to display a wide array of mediums like pottery, floral silk paintings/scarves, fused glass/wire-wrapped jewelry, woodworking, original paintings/prints, sculptures, miniatures. Raffle monies will be donated to OPAA's Youth Scholarship Fund. "Guest" artists participating are Gary Rudolf, Dean Moore, Terri Neal, Eva Kozun, Barbara Neswald, Mara Mauch, Janet Piccola, and OPAA/Debbie Young/Melody Todnem.



A new challenge is announced each month. Artists (need not be a member) who want to take the challenge using any medium, are asked to send images of their work with info (title, medium, size, etc.) to opaapresident2023@gmail.com before the 20th of the challenge month. Images & information will be published in the following month's Newsletter, Facebook Page & on the OPAA Website. If you have an idea for a challenge, please send it to: opaapresident2023@gmail.com

#### **ARTIST CHALLENGE for July 2023**

In July, send us your creation from "My Summer Vacation". Send a jpg photo of your creation and your inspiration & a short statement about your work to Debbie Young. Pictures will appear in the August 2023 Newsletter! <u>See page 3 for ATC Exchange challenge cards.</u> Email photos & info to: opaapresident2023@gmail.com

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## Appeal for OPAA Member Volunteers – Remember, OPAA is only as strong as its Member Volunteers!

We have a continuing need for volunteers! Please call me and let me know how you can help. Debbie – (602) 309-2724



ART VENUES & ART GROUPS Continued



Gallery hours: Mon. – Sat.10am – 5pm; Sun. 11am-3pm

#### Welcome First Friday

A new show is hung in the gallery at the beginning of every month. Then, on the First Friday of the month, we hold a reception from 5:00 to 8:00pm for the public to view the new showing of artworks for that month. Refreshments are served. Many other shops and restaurants in downtown Sequim are open on First Fridays along with us, so there is plenty to see and do.

If you are in Sequim on the First Friday of any month, we invite you to join us to celebrate the opening of the new show and talk with the Artists of the Month.

Stop by the Gallery, talk with one of our members while you are there, and pick up a membership application. There will be a jury process to ensure that your work is suitable and professional for display in the Gallery. We invite you to join us!

> Gallery Contact e-mail: Bluewholegallery1@gmail.com

#### Wintertide Makers Market



#### Makers Market 2023 Holiday market in the Esther Webster Gallery.

#### Deadline: August 12, 2023

The Port Angeles Fine Arts Center seeks locally-produced artisan gift items for our fifth annual Wintertide Makers Market.

The Makers Market connects shoppers with inspiring locally-made gifts in a peaceful setting. In addition to supporting Olympic Peninsula artists, this event is a key source of income for the nonprofit arts center.

#### Eligibility:

Open to artists and artisans residing in Clallam and Jefferson counties.

#### Renew or Have Your Own Artist Webpage!

As a member of OPAA, you are allowed to purchase a "member webpage" on the OPAA Website, <u>opaagroup.org</u> for the low price of \$15 <u>each</u> year. A member webpage is a separate fee and is in addition to the annual Membership dues. After you have paid \$15, the web manager, Debbie Young will set up a webpage on our website with information, website & blog links, and up to 12 examples of your artwork. You may change information & images on your webpage once a year. Contact OPAA Website Manager, Debbie Young at: santaya@wavecable.com

Discover the contemporary art & craft of the Puget Sound Region

#### **Port Ludlow Art League** https://www.portludlowart.org

#### Port Ludlow Concert & Art Fair

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 6th so you don't miss one of the biggest events of the year in Port Ludlow – the Port Ludlow Art League Art Fair from noon to 5 p.m. and the free outdoor concert from 2 to 4 p.m. sponsored by the Port Ludlow Performing Arts group. Both events are located on the lawn adjacent to Olympic Place near the Grace Christian Center.

Enjoy browsing artwork by local artists, including jewelry, paintings, photographs, woodworking, ceramics, textiles, mosaics, cards, and baskets. Then secure your spot to hear Black Diamond Junction, voted Olympic Peninsula's Best Band for the past seven years. For more information, please visit www.portludlowart.org.

## Lauren Blair Churchill Featured at the A Milligan Art Studio & Gallery First Friday Art Walk July 7, 2023

The Gallery invites you to join them for refreshments and snacks as you enjoy the work of featured local artist, Lauren Blair Churchill. Her exhibit at the gallery is a trip through time, featuring her fanciful abstracts through the years to the present.

Lauren says, "Art is a way of life for me and the act of creating is my spiritual practice. I take inspiration from the world around me, especially nature. I'm continually inspired by the creative efforts of my fellow artists, and I'm excited to be living in such a beautiful place on the Olympic Peninsula."

The A. Milligan Gallery is located at 520 N. Sequim Ave., between The Olympic Theatre Arts Center and the Sequim Museum & Arts Center



Sunflowers



Lauren in Studio

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# HARBOR ART GALLERY 114 N. Laurel, Port Angeles



Harbor Art Gallery is welcoming guest artist Andrea Woods to display her work throughout the month of July. Located at 114 North Laurel St. in downtown Port Angeles, the gallery features work from local artists in a wide range of media, and is open 11-5 Tuesday through Saturday.



Throughout her life, Woods has been drawn to nature and making images. She is a contemporary oil painter living in the Pacific Northwest, where she finds inspiration for her paintings.

"Art is a visual language. The artist communicates their concept and feeling, their intent, to the viewer through the painting," Wood said.

Woods credits early educational experiences for her strong foundation in drawing, which forms the basis for all of her artwork. She continues to learn from other artists throughout time.

"We never stop learning: it is a wonderful process and journey," she said.

Although Woods has worked in many mediums, oil paints are her preferred materials, as she enjoys using rich colors and varying textures "to create places where we would all like to go."





Harbor Art Gallery showcases work by other local artists Bob Stokes and Cindy Elstrom, Carolyn Guske, Robert Amaral, Garret Delabarre, Terri Ench, Tammy Hall, Susan Kantowitz, Ruth Kaspin, Nancy McFaul, Gail McLain, Eric Neurath, Miranda Petruska, Randy and Sallie Radock, Jodi Riverstone, Nathan Shields, Jennifer and Davis Stevenson, Lance and Haley Snider, Eileen Webb and Kevin Willson.

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Art Gallery and Venue 118 1/2 E Front St Port Angeles, WA 98362

#### Port Ludlow Art League

#### Artist of the Month – Janice Gruber

Daughter of a Pacific Northwest logger, Janice Gruber has spent her entire life in the rainy timber country of Washington State. As a result, Janice's artwork often portrays the floras, landscapes, and seascapes found in our neck of the woods. She uses oil, acrylics, and watercolors to create paintings in her impressionistic style. A recent addition to her paintings is a collection of glass mosaics.

During July, you can view Janice's artwork at the Sound Community Bank and online at www.portludlowart.org. A reception for Janice is set for 4-5 p.m., Wednesday, July 12th in the lobby of the bank and 5-6 p.m. at the adjacent Port Ludlow Art League Gallery. The bank and gallery are located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow.

Please note that beginning in June, the gallery will be open Wednesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, please email info@portludlowart.org or visit www.portludlowart. org.

## Jeweler of the Month – Mary Lynn Laker

Mary Lynn designs necklaces, earrings, and bracelets in a wide variety of styles and materials, including silver, bronze, gems, felt, crystals, and stones. She favors Asian-themed designs and has fashioned fish, kimonos, and Bud-dha figurines into a striking collection of jewelry.

During July, Mary Lynn's jewelry will be on display at the Port Ludlow Art League Gallery, the Sound Community Bank, and online at www.portludlowart.org. The bank and gallery are located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow.

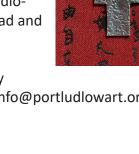
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#### Group Art Exhibit at the Bay Club – Port Ludlow Art League

During July and August, the Bay Club's art exhibit, Still Life, harkens back to the masters. The magic of still life paintings enables artists to infuse new ways of portraying ordinary objects. Positioned in a specific arrangement and then rendered in paint, ink, graphite, pastel, encaustic, and other mediums, objects are seen in a different light.

The art exhibit is sponsored by the Port Ludlow Art League. Be sure to stop by the Bay Club and vote for your favorite artwork. As an added bonus, Gail Larson's watercolor and collage artwork will be on display in the Bay Club's lobby through July.

The Bay Club is located at 120 Spinnaker Lane in Port Ludlow. For more information on art exhibits at the Bay Club, please email Alan Ahtow at info@portludlowart.org.









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#### FROM OPAA

#### Winning Pot Luck Recipes:

#### Lemon Lust From Melody's Mom, Evelyn Howe

Crust: Mix 1 cup flour, 1 cube melted butter and ½ cup of chopped nuts Pat into a 13 x 9 baking dish. Bake at 375 degrees for 15 minutes, no longer. Cool

After Cooled:

Mix together: 1 large cream cheese, 1 cup powdered sugar and 1 cup cool whip.

Cream together really well. Spread onto the cooled crust.

Mix together 2 small packages of lemon instant pudding with 3 cups milk. Stir till thickened and then pour over cream cheese layer.

Top with cool whip and garnish with finely chopped nuts.

Place in refrigerator.

Can use any flavor for the pudding **USE ONLY Cow milk**. Plant based milks do not thicken the pudding.

#### Broccoli Salad by Angela Harmon

1 large head broccoli, cut into pieces to blanch two minutes in boiling water than submerge into cold water to stop cooking. Cut into bite size pieces. Blanching is a preference but not necessary.

1 cup seedless red grapes, halved

1/3 cup diced red onion

3/4 cup mayonnaise

3 Tbs balsamic vinegar (Denissimo Balsamic Vinegar from The Savory Drizzle in Sequim)

1 tsp sugar

1/3 cup slivered almonds (or sunflower seeds or chopped pecans )

3/4 cup chopped Feta cheese

Salt and fresh ground Pepper to taste

#### **OPAA Selling Display Panels**

OPAA is selling its display panels for \$30 each.

They are made from door panels , which are 80 high & (Smaller 2 ) panels are 32" wide ,

(Larger) APPROX 15 are 48" wide .

If you are interested contact opaapresident2023@gmail.com

#### **OPAA NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

We need people to:

Manage our equipment and set up AV equipment for meetings. Be Newsletter editor Manage Art Inspirations Manage General Fundraising/Advertising OPAA member Mary Lewis was awarded a grant through the small business association to get a marketing video created for her artwork. It was created by a local videographer and turned out amazing.

You can view it directly on the front page of my web-

site (madebymary.org) but the YouTube link is:

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL6K3InLj-0Cal6MAStZa3ZF219RbCSUy-T



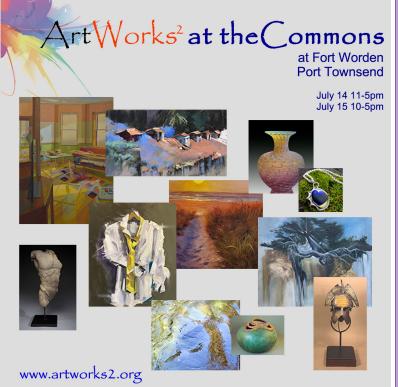
#### SHOW INFORMATION

#### ArtWorks2 at the Commons, Fort Worden

We are three artists, Jinx Bryant, painter, Roberta Cooper, gourd designer and Lizbeth Harper, fused glass artist who came together two years ago to create invitation-only art shows featuring artists who bring exceptional creativity to the visual arts.

We are pleased to announce our next show will be held in Port Townsend on July 14th 11-5pm & July 15th 10-5pm at the Commons at Fort Worden. Artist's offerings at the show will cover many diverse media including painting, gourd art, fabric art, jewelry, photography, blown and fused glass, silk painting and wood artistry. With the wide variety of art, we are certain there will be something that appeals to everyone.

Please visit our website, ArtWorks2.org where you can see each of the artists, view their work and read their artist statements.













## Port Ludlow Art League Donates Youth Scholarships to Northwind Art

The Port Ludlow Art League believes in the power of art to inspire, motivate, and weather life's storms. This is especially important for our children. As a result, we've joined forces with Northwind Art by providing scholarships for underserved youth to participate in their youth art programs, including summer camps, Spring break workshops, Art in the Park events, after school wearable art sessions, and workshops. For more information about donating to Northwind Art, please visit <u>www.northwindart.org/donate</u>.

The Port Ludlow Art League would like to thank the Port Hadlock QFC for donating flowers for our fundraiser at the Spring Art Fair in May and to everyone who contributed to our scholarship fund. For more information, please

# Second Annual Strait from the Artists Studio Tour Invitation to Participate

#### Deadline July 10, 2023

Application online at https://straitfromtheartists.com/ apply/

Strait from the Artists Studio Tour is a celebration and sale of precious art by local artists working in cooperation on the Olympic Peninsula on Saturday, November 11 and Sunday, November 12, 2023 from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

Strait from the Artists Studio Tour is a self-guided, free and open to the public, tour of multiple artist studios and exhibition spaces from along the inspiring Strait of Juan de Fuca, which includes the Sequim and Port Angeles Cultural Corridors. Attendees can visit, view, and learn directly from the artists about their diverse creative processes and the imaginative community-minded efforts of their work.

Applications to partake in opening your studio on Saturday, November 11 and Sunday, November 12, 2023, or by joining with a few other artists at a collective venue is available online at https://straitfromtheartists.com/ apply/ The deadline for applying is July 10, 2023 which includes an Artist's \$40 registration fee. More details and requirements are online.

Inquiries for participation, please email Renne Emiko Brock at renne@uniqueasyou.com and apply directly to



For more information or to reserve a month contact Debbie Young at: <a href="mailto:opaapresident2023@gmail.com">opaapresident2023@gmail.com</a>, RE: Mini Workshops

#### **CLASSES / WORKSHOPS**

Send class/workshop information (with jpg photo) to opaapresident2023@gmail.com. You do not need to be an OPAA member to share. OPAA would like to pass information about your class/workshop on to our membership. Flyers and information on classes can also be found on the OPAA website opaagroup.org.

Northwind Art School, based in Building 306 at Fort Worden State Park in Port Townsend, is unveiling its Spring-Summer Catalog now. More than 100 classes and workshops for adults and

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youngsters beckon, between April and September. Oil painting, silk painting, photography, improvisational quilting, block printing, natural dyes, open studio practice

and many other offerings are guided by 41 teaching artists from near and

far. The full catalog is online at https://northwindart.org



Susan Zarit, Zarit Glass Works is now offering fused glass classes. Check her website for full details. https://www.zaritglassworks.com/fused-glass-classes.html

# WINSLOW ART CENTER

Winslow Art Center, in Bainbridge Island, is an inspiring and intimate space for artists established in 2011. It offers an ever-expanding selection of art instruction including online multi-day workshops, weekly classes and overseas art experiences taught by professional instructors from around the world. Many online classes available: <u>https://winslowartcenter.com/</u>

**Susan Spar** offers fine art classes for both the serious student and the casual painter. With over 20 years of teaching experience, Susan teaches all levels from beginner to experienced painters, in oils, pastels, and specializes in teaching older adults.

For more information visit her at

www.susanspar.com, pinehillart@msn.com or call (360) 477-1024.



**Terry Grasteit** is offering private two-hour sessions on abstract expressionism, and creative possibilities. Sessions are \$20 an hour, minimum two hours, longer

by arrangement. Please contact him for further information at (360) 670-9665.



#### OPAA NEWSLETTER ALSO CHECK OUT THE OPAA WEBSITE (opaagroup.org) & "LIKE US" ON OPAA's FACEBOOK PAGE

Even if you're not a member, send your "art news" to us so we may share the news with other artists. OPAA is a non-profit organization, here to promote the arts and serve the public. Send your news to opaapresident2023@gmail.com for the OPAA Newsletter, to Web Manager, Debbie Young at opaapresident2023@gmail.com for the OPAA website, & to Social Media Manager, Angi Jensen at angilina\_j@yahoo.com for OPAA Facebook/Social Media.

Note: This Newsletter goes out on the FIRST of each month. Information and pictures must be submitted by 12 PM on the 20th of the month to make the deadline for the upcoming month. Information received after the deadline may appear in the following month's newsletter. OPAA is a 501(c)3