



OPAA NEWS NOTES

Olympic Peninsula Art Association

September 2023

98 Members

PATRON MEMBERS:



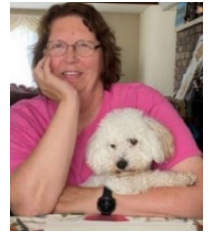
Send in pics of "Signs of Fall" for the September Challenge.

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President's Note - OPAA President Debbie Young

Hello my friends...and Happy Fall!



This month, our OPAA activities come back to life after our summer hiatus. Our next General Meeting will be Thursday, September 28th.



We will be getting ready for Giving Tuesday (see below) and our members' show in December. Also, our Gallery 223 on Hudon will be showing new works and will also be accepting gift items. I hope you will consider showing and visiting the gallery. And we can always use volunteers! Remember this is a fundraising opportunity for OPAA. don't forget our Juried Show opening September 15. See page 2.



Member Cassandra Cockrill has volunteered to spearhead the drive for auction items for our auction fundraiser during the members' show. Please let her know how you will help.



There so much going on with your organization. Get involved!



Lastly, I was contacted by an OPAA member last week who just had covid. Please take precautions appropriate to your circumstances.



Giving Tuesday - November 28

GivingTuesday is a global generosity movement unleashing the power of radical generosity. GivingTuesday was created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. Since then, it has grown into a year-round global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity.

This year, OPAA will be participating in this movement. It is an opportunity for us to showcase our organization and (hopefully) generate some donations.

GivingTuesday is a great opportunity to rally our community and engage supporters. From phone a thons, to matching funds programs to Facebook Fundraising to myriad other ideas we collectively come up with. I will be calling on each of you to make this a successful campaign for us. Full details at the September General Meeting.



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 meet-
ing will be held on
September 28
Join the meeting at 9:30
am for coffee & conver-
sation 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.

**Our next general meeting will be September 28th. 9:30 am,
Harmony Center.**

Guest speaker, Melody Todnem, demonstrating oil on glass.



September 15

Art Inspirations

Foil Tooling (Metal Repousse)

**Learn how to make beautiful designs in metal foil,
then ink them. \$15. 10 am. RSVP by Sep. 11.**

**We are very excited to present the
"Home-The Essence of Place" Juried Exhibition in
collaboration with Port Angeles Fine Arts Center.**

I hope you will support our local OPAA artists and others from the peninsula who are show-
cased. The opening Reception is coming up on Sept. 15, from 5-7 p.m.

We'd also be grateful for any help OPAA members can provide volunteering during the
"Home-Essence of Place" exhibit. The showcase runs through October 28. I have been
volunteering at the Port Angeles Fine Arts Center for years. It is a pleasant way to spend a
three hour shift as receptionist, greeting and talking with guests who visit and buy art at
the Center.

The easiest way to sign up is by using the 'POINT' volunteering system: <https://dash.pointapp.org/events/81358>. If you have difficulty with that system, please view the volun-
teer calendar on the website at <https://pafac.org/volunteer/> and contact Rachel at rachel@pafac.org to claim a time and date.

First time volunteers are welcome! The PAFAC will provide instructions when you arrive for
a shift and a staff member will always be on site to help as needed.

Further, if you are willing to do a workshop or art class for the PAFAC let me know. The cen-
ter pays well and is always looking for classes to offer.

Thank You all. It all about artists supporting artists at OPAA.
Eva Kozun artpelaeva@gmail.com or call 360-582-6252.

Exhibiting Artists:

Clea Rome
Rosie Sharpe
**Eva Kozun*
**Anne Milligan*
Scott Pascoe
Kerry Tremain
Madeline Nelson
Anne Pfeiffer
Thompson Holmes
Cathy Stanfield

**Jodi Riverstone*
**Andrea Woods*
Jack Galloway
Shelley Jaye
**Karen Lavender Peterson*
Tracy Beals
Mary O'Shaughnessy
Laveta Bowen
Yukio Iraha
Eva McGinnis

Roger McGinnis
Chris Kleinfelder
Ines Epperson
**Lauren Churchill*
Kathie Cook
**Hattie Kauffman*
Catherine Mix
Ernst-Ulrich Schafer

**OPAA Member*



SEPTEMBER 22-24, 2023

WESTERN WASHINGTON FALL GETAWAY Art & Yoga Retreat



Join us to welcome Autumn and celebrate the changing seasons through creative reflections and a weekend of self care, rest, and relaxation!

Practice yoga, art, and nourish your mind, body, and spirit in a private residence overlooking the Hood Canal in Union, WA. All lodging, meals, and activities are included.

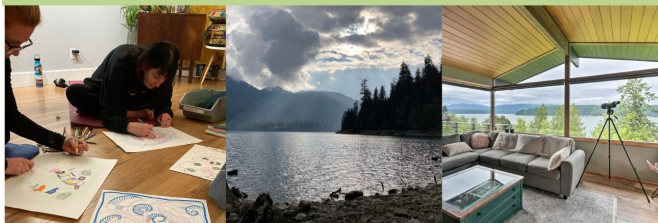
WEEKEND INCLUDES GUIDED:

Art Making • Meditation & Breathwork • Yoga
Forest Bathing & Hiking • Journaling • Mindfulness

Don't miss out on this special, small experience!
Early Bird Rate: \$850/pp (\$975 after 7/1)



For full details, scan code or visit:
www.gridless-studio.com/retreats



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.

OPAA NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We need people to:

- Manage our equipment and set up AV equipment for meetings.
- Be Newsletter editor
- Be Treasurer
- Manage Art Inspirations
- Manage General Fundraising/Advertising

Peninsula ART Friends

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, Sep 1 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.

See member exhibits inside the museum during First Friday Artwalk, 5pm - 7pm, September 1.

A Milligan Gallery-M. Medler, Featured Guest-Art Walk September 2023



Michael C. Medler's "Sequim Backroads" series will be on display at the A. Milligan Art Studio & Gallery. This stunning collection of black and white photography showcases Michael's take on familiar scenes from around the area as he brings you into his experience of the places he's stood. His subjects are shot on a variety of films, which he's artfully processed himself.

Of his work, Michael said, "I write and create art because nature wills me to it". He found his inspiration not only for his art and photography, but also for his collections of poetry from the deep woods and mountains of our Olympic Peninsula. Two of his poetry collections, "Boundary Points" and "Cresting the Salish" will also be available at the gallery.

As always, Anne's painting studio will be open for you to take a peek at her works in progress, as well as view some of her finished pieces that are hanging in the digital studio.

Stop by and join us for some tasty tidbits and refreshments as you enjoy the company of other art enthusiasts and the work of our insightful and talented featured artist.

In Memorium



Michael Medler (69, 1953 - 2023) has sadly passed away.

Mike was a integral part of OPPA, serving on the board for several years and most recently being our treasurer. He was a painter, photographer and author. We miss his calm demeanor, clear head and ideas.

Nightwalk - m.medler

Someone walks out in the rain. Someone loved
on a beach once, who now loves rain. Left behind
a warm room where lights are lit, where
neatly folded clothes rest, await homes

in drawers with friends. Someone donned a long
coat and hood, drifted out into a night shower
where the cold stone of the moon carries
clouds like rumped rim-lit laundry. Someone

plies a meter amid night puddles remembering
dance moves of summer and warm hands. I
believe it was you, just now, wandering
in rain, who called just now, soaked in wet goose-

bumps. I believe it was you who remembered
that the night rain changes everything, slowly.
That when you return and shuck off the night
I will still be here, sitting with folded towels.





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 SEPTEMBER 2023

"SIGNS OF FALL" Send a jpg photo of your creation and your inspiration & a short statement about your work to Debbie Young. Pictures will appear in the September 2023 Newsletter! Email photos & info to: opaapresident2023@gmail.com No items were received for the August challenge.

Dandelion Botanical Co. continues to have art shows with artist receptions. Currently we are showing the work of Mike McCollum. He is a prolific artist combining wood, resin with both 2-D and 3-D work. His work is really inspiring. The Sequim Gazette recently featured his work and observations about what inspires him. "Things stick in my mind and if they stick in my mind long enough, then I'm going to try and make a comment on them." Come check it out. The show will be viewable through the end of September. Store/ gallery hours are 10 AM - 6 PM Wednesday through Monday.

Dandelion is always looking for artists to show their work. Art shows tend to be 1 month in duration with an artist reception. The artist's receptions often involve food and music depending on the individual's desires. It's a wonderful way for folks to connect. The owners of Dandelion are artists themselves so keeping the art flowing at the store allows them to be part of this creative community.

Contact Dandelion directly at 206-545-8892 if you are curious about having a show at Dandelion.

Port Ludlow Art League Art Fair
Port Ludlow Inn
Saturday, September 2, 2023
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Browse through the fabulous artwork available from local artists at the Port Ludlow Inn. Shop for the perfect gift or treat yourself to something special.

Jewelry	Photographs
Ceramics	Paintings
Baskets	Mixed Media
Woodwork	Cards

The Port Ludlow Inn is located at 1 Heron Road in Port Ludlow.

If you are on Facebook:
Vendor Fairs and Craft Shows of Clallam County
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1305047752843398>

The Clallam County Fair made a strong comeback this year with many art and photography exhibits.

We received a great deal of interest in OPAA and are contacting those who signed up for more information.

Special thank you to Melody Todnem, Gayle Selby and Debbie Young for helping at the Art Barn and representing OPAA.



SEPTEMBER

AT THE GALLERIES

ART VENUES & ART GROUPS



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

The Blue Whole Gallery is pleased to announce another collaboration with the Olympic Peninsula Authors (OPA) this month. The talented authors from the OPA will read aloud their captivating stories centered on the evocative topic of "treasures" on Wednesday, September 6th from 2-3pm at the Blue Whole Gallery, 129 W. Washington St. This Writer's Read event is free and the public is welcome.

Set against the backdrop of the Blue Whole Gallery's visual artwork, attendees will explore the facets of treasures through the eyes of some of our Olympic Peninsula's authors. "The marriage of visual art with the spoken word is a potent blend," said Janet Piccola, one of the Blue Whole Gallery board members. "We are excited to host the Writer's Read authors and allow our visitors to experience 'treasures' through a multi-sensory engagement."

Selected authors will read their stories, offering attendees a chance to connect with the creators behind the narratives. Attendees are encouraged to explore the gallery before and after the event.

This collaboration is testament to the vibrant arts community in our area. Whether you are a literature aficionado, a treasure hunter or an art enthusiast, this reading event is one you won't want to miss.

Olympic Peninsula Authors (OPA) is dedicated to increased awareness of the many diverse and talented authors working and/or writing about this beautiful part of Washington State.

The Blue Whole Gallery is located at 129 W. Washington Street, Sequim. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday and Sundays, 11:00 - 3:00. For more information visit bluewholegallery.com, or find us on Facebook and Instagram - @Bluewholegallery.



Appeal for OPAA Member Volunteers

Remember, OPAA is only as strong 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

Call for Artists for the 18th Annual North Olympic Fiber Arts Festival fiber arts exhibition "Spinning Sewn Stories - Promulgate, Piece, & Ply" at the Sequim Museum & Arts

Deadline September 16, 2023
Exhibition October 6 - November 25, 2023

FiberArtsFestival.org



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15% OFF ANY REGULARLY PRICED SERVICE

Show your OPAA membership card, or mention you are an OPAA Member and receive a 15% discount!



SEPTEMBER

AT THE GALLERIES

ART VENUES & ART GROUPS Continued

Port Ludlow Art League

Artist of the Month – Alice Thuring

Whether working with pen and ink or palette knives and brushes with oil paint, Alice’s latest art exhibit features her travels to Patagonia, the South Pacific, and Iceland. Alice studied art history and painting at the University of Washington, Whitman College, and Boise State University. Her artwork has been showcased in art galleries in Washington and Idaho, including the Carnegie Art Center in Walla Walla.



During September, you can view Alice’s artwork at the Sound Community Bank and online at www.portludlowart.org. A reception for Alice is set for 4-5 p.m., Wednesday, September 13th 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. The gallery is 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 – Mara Mauch

Using a kiln, Maura fuses multiple layers of glass to create cabochons that become stunning necklaces, bracelets, and earrings. Recently, Mara has been experimenting with different glass cane millefiori pieces to create beautiful, three-dimensional florals in her fused glass jewelry. Maura stated, “Glass presents itself in so many different colors and patterns, so there is always the opportunity to create in a different way.”



During September, Mara’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. The gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, please email info@portludlowart.org or visit www.portludlowart.org.

Artists and Creators!

Don't miss this chance to get in on OPAA's very own Gallery 223 on Hudon! The Fall Show is coming up, and the committee will be accepting prints as well as original works in 2D as well as 3D works of all kinds, including fiber arts, glass, pottery, sculpture and jewelry! Also, for the first time we will be considering crafts, handmade books, and printed items based on original work such as greeting cards and mugs. The deadline is Sunday, September 17th. It is a nice little space and has served us well so far, hosting the 'Mighty Mini's as well as two of our members, Jeff Alford and Brenda Barcelo this summer. This quarter we will be going into the Holiday season with the show, so keep gift giving in mind when you select which of your awesome creations to display! Looking forward to seeing your submissions!

https://form.jotform.com/230536203980048

Brightly,
Lauren B. Churchill





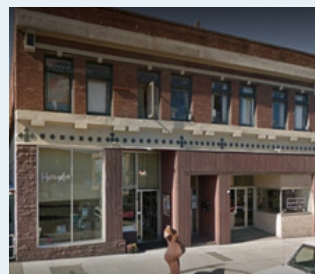
SEPTEMBER

AT THE GALLERIES

ART VENUES & ART GROUPS Continued

HARBOR ART

Harbor Art Gallery in Port Angeles will feature the work of mixed media artist Nancy McFaul throughout the month of September. In her newest series, McFaul uses pen, ink and watercolor to paint various everyday objects, scenes, people and pets on butcher paper to create one-of-a-kind wrapping paper or what she calls "Casual Paintings".



McFaul studied design in San Francisco and Berkeley, California before moving to Seattle where she raised a family and worked in their small specialty bakery in the Pike Place Market. In her spare time she took drawing and painting classes at Gage Academy. McFaul now resides in Port Angeles.

"I enjoy the spectacular beauty and great community here," McFaul said.

Visitors can meet Nancy and other artists at the gallery (114 N Laurel St, Port Angeles) during the Second Saturday Art Walk from 4-7pm on September 9th. Her work will be displayed in the special Featured Artist Room all month long. Hope to see you soon!

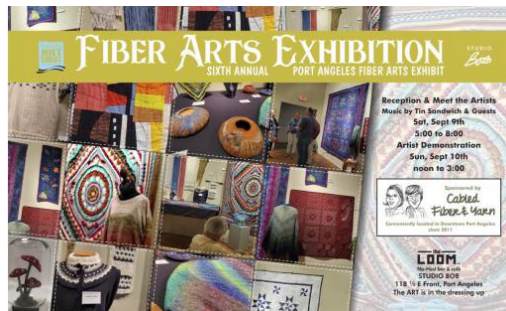


Harbor Art Gallery showcases work by local artists Bob Stokes, Cindy Elstrom, Carolyn Guske, Robert Amaral, Garet DeLaBarre, Terri Enck, Katie Graham, Tammy Hall, Susan Kantowitz, Ruth Kaspin, Nancy McFaul, Gail McLain, Roger Mosley, Eric Neurath, Miranda Petruska, Randy and Sallie Radock, Jodi Riverstone, Nathan Shields, Lance and Haley Snider, Eileen Webb, Kevin Willson and Andrèa Woods.

STUDIO BOB

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

The Sixth Annual Fiber Arts Exhibition--Sat. Sept. 9th 5-8pm (w/live music) and Sun 12-3pm Second Weekend Port Angeles is our community's monthly arts and culture celebration and gallery walk. It starts on Thursday evening with Drink and Draw, moves into Friday night with Second Friday Art Walk (except on months that start on a Saturday), slides into the Saturday gallery walk from 5:00 to 8:00 pm and related events, and then wraps up on Sunday afternoon.



Sponsored by Cable Fiber & Yarn, Free, all ages, dog friendly, onsite bar with beer, wine, ciders, soft drinks, coffee and tea. Live music Saturday night with Tin Sandwich and Guests. "We define Fiber Art very loosely," says MarySue French, one of the organizers of the event. "In previous years we had a wide mix of artwork including Spinning, Felting, Weaving, Quilting, Painted Silk, Knitting, Crochet, Costumes, Fiber Paintings, Fiber Sculptures, Needle Punched, Braided and Woven Rugs, Hats and even included driftwood art, and jewelry."

WINSLOW ART CENTER

HAPPENING SOON



WEDNESDAYS • 8/23-11/1

CRITIQUE GROUP

GAGE OPDENBROUW



WEDNESDAYS • 8/23-9/6

THE HOLY GRAIL OF PAINTING!: DEMISTIFYING COLOR WITH VALUE

ROSE IRELAN



THURSDAY • 8/24 • 10 AM PACIFIC TIME • FREE



ART CHAT ONLINE

WITH GUEST ERIN LEE GAFILL



FRIDAY • 8/25 • TECHNIQUE TAKEAWAY ONLINE

BLOCKING IN THE BIG SHAPES

PHILIP FREY

Autumn Art in Action Festival Art - Call for Entries!



WEDNESDAYS • 8/30 & 9/6

DEMISTIFYING ROCKS AND WATER

LIZ PRESCOTT



WEDNESDAYS • 8/30-9/20

ABSTRACT DRAWING WITH ARTGRAF

SOO HONG



THURSDAYS • 8/31-11/9

SPECIAL PROJECTS STUDIO

GAGE OPDENBROUW

Call for Artists - Elemental Exhibit



The City of Sequim Arts Commission (SAC) is seeking submissions of artwork that explores the concept “Elemental; Fire, Water, Wood, Earth, Metal, and Air” as a creative expression for the next exhibit in the Karen Kuznek-Reese Gallery at the Sequim Civic Center, located at 152 West Cedar Street.

Deadline for submissions is Wednesday, September 6 at 4:00 p.m. Only digital applications will be considered. To enter, complete the form at this link which allows you to download up to three images (preferably 300 dpi) per entry.

<https://form.jotform.com/231995536366166>.

For complete entry guidelines and exhibit information, visit the City website at <https://www.sequimwa.gov/694/Artist-Opportunities> or contact Arts Coordinator Sarah Hurt at shurt@sequimwa.gov or (360) 582-2477.

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.

Port Ludlow Art League – CLASSES

Share & Explore

This month's class was Zentangle

Alice Clive, a Certified Zentangle Teacher (CZT), was our guest teacher for the September Share & Explore session sponsored by the Port Ludlow Art League. To sign up for Share and Explore classes, please send email to info@portludlowart.org.



Acrylic Paint Class – Friday, September 29th, 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun evening of painting with artist Shirley Bomgaars. All supplies are provided, along with step-by-step instruction to complete an acrylic painting. To sign up for the class, please send email to info@portludlowart.org.



ZARIT GLASSWORKS

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>

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