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Newsletter



A Word From the Executive Director

The past three months have gone by in a whirlwind! Beginning a new career after retiring from teaching has been revitalizing. I have learned much and made many new connections with great people. With the patient kindness of many, I have begun to settle into my position. Our membership has increased significantly, new docents have volunteered, and new committees have been formed. The Permanent Collection is being organized, catalogued, and digitized. Our digital marketing has been updated, including our webpage, facebook, twitter, instagram, and snapchat, as well as a community calendar called "What's Up 24/7" (if you haven't checked this out, take a look!) We have improved the Pavilion by the addition of four outdoor heaters, a new screen for movies and presentations, and stabilizing and refinishing the stage. We have trimmed and landscaped the Arts Park. We have had two excellent exhibits; The Photography Show and the 56th Annual Fall Members Show, and are currently hanging The Open Space Show. We hosted the Renaissance Festival, Henry County Concert Series and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier traveling exhibit.

I am very excited to announce some of our up-coming events: the Hawaiian Festival, The Christmas Walk with the lighting of our new Christmas Tree Light Display, the Dukeman/Livezy/Petty Sale, Martinis & Mistletoe with Silent Auction and St. Paddy's Day Festival.

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THE PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW







Kent Kemmerling



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Day of Caring



Nine Star and Octagon Club Volunteers

The 56th Annual Members Fall Show



Jean McCauly



Dana Kepner



Terry Dukeman



Susan Yanos



Patrick Kluesner



Austin Custer

Wedding Venue





Tomb of the Unknown Soldier





Pam Newell workshop





Has your membership lapsed? Please renew today!



I would like to take a moment to share who I am thankful for:

Alpha Tau Chapter, Tri Kappa for sponsoring an exhibit
Matt & Carrie Barrett for her optimism, guidance, helpful advice, for making connections
for me, for the collaboration between the AAHC & Main Street, and for sponsoring a
Christmas Tree

Roy Boswell for judging the Fall Show
David & Celia Burns for exhibitions, receptions and advice and for sponsoring a
Christmas Tree

Pebbles Caudill for for bookkeeping and always having my back
The County Commissioners for accepting our request for the Food and Beverage grant
to repair our facilities and for giving permission to paint the Bicentennial mural on the
Hope Building

Austin Custer for his positive attitude and donations for the silent auction
Susie Delay and the Octagon Club for volunteering on Day of Caring to trim and
landscape the Arts Park

Greg & Nancy Dietz for care and maintenance of the facilities and the Arts Park, for tirelessly volunteering, for valuable advice and guidance, for their positive attitudes and their support

Joe Dietz for the donation to get the air conditioner replaced
Angie Dishman for Paint pARTies, especially the Chamber of Commerce Retreat
All of the Docents for covering the front desk in the afternoons
Terry Dukeman for good advice

Edward Jones for sponsoring an exhibit and a Christmas Tree
McGown Group, Josh Estelle for sponsoring an exhibit
The ladies of the Garden Party for trimming and weeding the Arts Park
Hayes, Copenhaver, Crider & Harvey for sponsoring an exhibit
The Henry County Community Foundation for approving our grant to remodel the
kitchen in the Gallery

Hinsey-Brown/NCHCPL for coordinating the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier exhibit

And for sponsoring a Christmas Tree

Mickie Hoy for organizing the Open Space reception

The Indiana Arts Organization Support for granting an extension

Monty Jackson for procuring the grant for stage refurbish

Hubler, Dodge, Chrysler, Jeep for sponsoring an exhibit

Shonda Kane for collaboration between AAHC & the Chamber of Commerce Kent Kemmerling for getting me the interview for the job, for always being available to answer questions as they came up and for being the president of this organization Dana Kepner for volunteering her time to help organize paperwork

Frank & Nancy Lewis for grant writing and reception planning and yard work

Kris Livzey for his experience and perspective

Carol Martin for assisting with QuickBooks

Lloyd & Joyce Miller for covering the Renaissance Festival and for helping move the Permanent Collection

Nine Star Connect for their volunteer work on Day of Caring to refurbish the stage Optimists for sponsoring a Christmas Tree

Alyssa Orr and Krystal Stanich for collaboration between AAHC & NCHCPL Dave & Marsha Petty for guidance, advice, assistance, and follow through, for connecting me with resources, teaching me about grant writing and for sponsoring a Christmas Tree

Steve & Lisa Pfenninger for being inspirational and for taking on the time-consuming task of organizing, cataloging and digitizing the Permanent Collection and for the donation of the Past Perfect software to do so

Gary Purvis and the Elks for sponsoring two Christmas trees

Jeff Ray for sponsoring a Christmas Tree

Ann Rutledge for taking minutes

Beth Schulte for her help in getting things straightened out Shoreline Assessment Management for sponsoring an exhibit Ed Tarantino for good advice

Stephanie Tedder for absolutely gorgeous event planning and decor Lee & Carla Terrberry for being congenial hosts at receptions Beth Thurman for Web design

Marty & Debbie Weaver for coordinating the Concert Series

Steve & Denise Weidert for consistently volunteering their time, energies, efforts, art, financial and organizational skills, for maintenance of the facilities, for planning the Christmas light display, for donating the outdoor heaters, for planning the Bicentennial Mural and for showing me the ropes

Marilyn Witt for mentorship, exhibitions schedule and hanging and inspiration

Exhibits

11/16-12/23 Open Space: Art About the Land

1/5-1/21 Permanent Collection 2/1-2/25 Elementary Student Show

3/4-3/31 Judge Exhibit

Receptions

In the Art Center Gallery

11/18 6-8 Open Space

1/6 6-8 Permanent Collection2/6 2-4 Elementary Awards

3/10 6-8 Judge

Events

11/19 12:00 Gallery: Docent Luncheon

11/20 11-5 Pavilion & Arts Park: Hawaiian Festival
12/2 6-8:30 Annex & South Lawn: Christmas Walk
12/4 10-5 Gallery: Dukeman/Livezy/Petty Sale

12/17 6:30-8:30 Gallery: Martinis & Mistletoe & Silent Auction 3/12 1-5 Pavilion & Arts Park: St. Paddy's Day Festival