



Genesee Valley Plein Air Painters, Inc., a not-for-profit artist association, promotes and inspires quality plein air painting while providing socially pleasant painting opportunities for its membership throughout the year.

September Issue 2019 E-Letter



Annual Meeting and Dick Kane Awarded Lifetime Achievement

by Barbara Jablonski

We're sorry if you missed the Annual Meeting held Wednesday, August 28th in Linear Park. We had a GREAT TIME!!!! Forty-three members attended. The day started out a bit "iffy" but turned out very nice and sunny in the end. Thanks to Doug Bloom and Maureen Outlaw Church, who both set up their tents, so we were just fine. The painting opportunities were great. Of course, the day centered around the outstanding lunchtime meal that we shared. Thanks to the great cooking skills of Steve B, we enjoyed delicious Angus burgers and veggie

burgers. Thanks to all who brought a dish/items to share.

The annual meeting portion of the day took about an hour. We thanked all the volunteers that ran and worked on our paintouts, trips, workshops, art show and activities that we accomplished throughout the year. And, we gave an outline of the activities that will happen in the '19/'20 program years. Our treasurer's report enumerated the past budget as well as the current budget for this year. The bottom line.... We continue to run the club's programs and continue having a forwarding budget of about \$2,000. So, we are spending YOUR money on program!

Lastly, the high point of the day was the presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award to Dick Kane. Doug Bloom prepared a wonderful history of Dick's life; however, his remarks were interrupted due to everyone searching for the mysteriously missing award plaque. All was well when Dick Kane himself found the plaque in someone's car. Thank you, Dick, for all you do and have done for art in the Rochester community

More Scribblings from the Prez -



I'm not going to write a long letter to you, but I must thank all the folks who have worked so hard during this past program year. Without their help we wouldn't have so many events and paintouts. GVPAP just wouldn't run as smoothly as it does. Of course, there are: VP, Steve BonDurant; Treasurer, Phyllis Ely; and Secretary Chris Manaseri, the members of our board who pick up all the pieces and help develop our club into a professional and welcoming organization. And, then there are: Claudine

Bartlett who organizes and runs our workshops; Deb Bilinski who provides our paintout attendance reports; Brenda Lyness who schedules our paintouts; Kathy Morris who writes this E-letter; Kathy Ahl, Dick Kane and Stacey Pope who organize our trips. All of these folks work tirelessly behind the scenes and are a blessing for me. Of course, I want to thank all the members who participate and volunteer for our annual January art show as well as all the artists who host paintouts. Lastly, thank you to all our artists. You are the reason we exist. Thanks for a great year. We look forward to the '19-'20 program year!



Judy won 2nd place. Congratulations!

Clayton Plein Air Festival

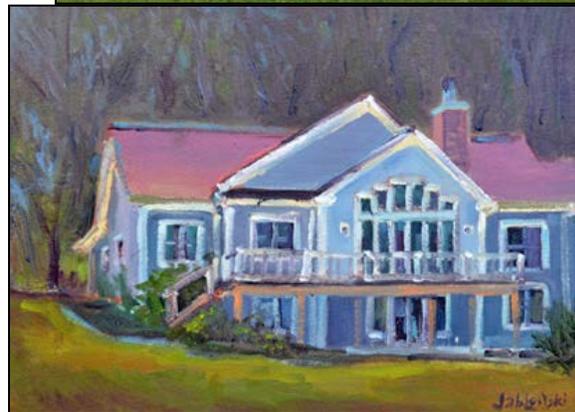
by Judy Soprano

Barbara, Lee Hanford, and I participated in the Clayton, NY Plein Air Festival the beginning of August. Barbara Jablonski was the judge. It is a very small area that the artists are confined to, but the number of painting views was huge. Docks and boats as far as the eye can see along with the town with homes that are simple with rambling gardens [I painted one of those] and Victorian homes with formal gardens. The main street is lined with very old buildings which are loved by the locals and tourists alike. Sunset or sunrise take your pick, either one is wonderful on the river.

The festival was in its second year so it's still very small, but growing, and they need to get more viewers to come to the sale.

I, for one had a really great time.

And, Barbara gave a 2-day workshop before the competition.



Barbara's Architectural Workshop Demo Painting

Morristown Plein Air Competition and Show

by Judy Soprano



Also in early August, in the area around Morristown, NY, the Morristown Public Library on the Saint Lawrence River in the 1000 Islands hosted the Morristown Plein Air Competition. This area is very quaint to say the least. The reception and art show held at Bella-Brooke Vineyard and Winery and art show was a well-planned and executed by Director Bridget Whalen-Nevin and committee and very well attended by an enthusiastic community. Barbara Jablonski, Kathy Morris, and I had a great time, and we all

produced really great paintings. **Barbara won Quickdraw Second Place.**

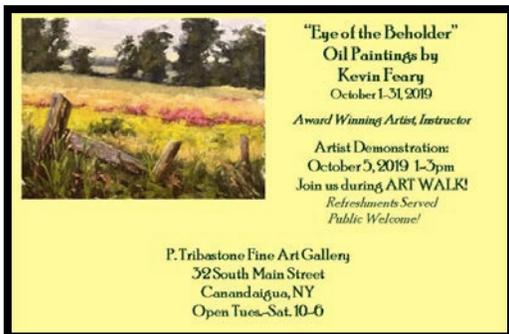
Congratulations!



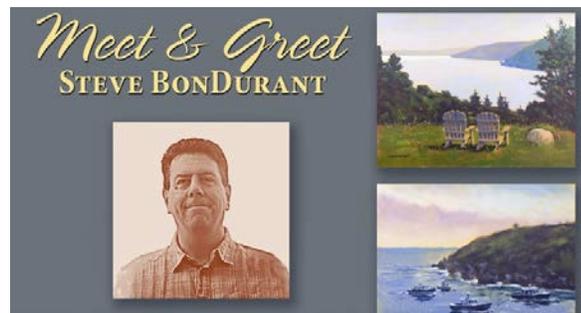
An Opening at P. Tribastone Fine Art Gallery:

EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

Kevin Feary will be featured at a solo show opening of his work on Saturday October 5th from 1-6 pm at 32 South Main Street in Canandaigua, NY. Kevin will treat viewers to a demo from 1-3 and this show will reveal twenty **new** paintings and the majority of his work is being shown here for the first time. If you can't make the opening the show runs through October 31st. Gallery hours are Tues.-Sat. 10-6.



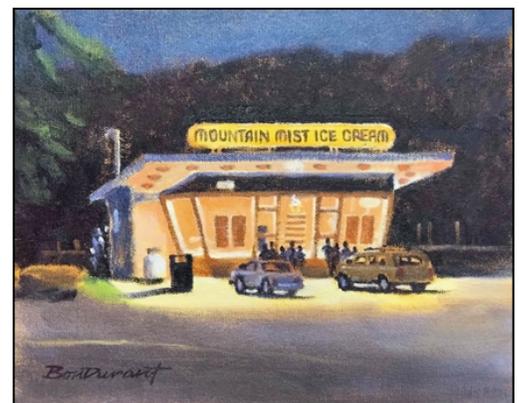
Steve BonDurant's motto is "What appeals to the human eye, to develop an emotional connection, is a lifelong pursuit."



A Meet and Greet the artist, Steve BonDurant, an exhibiting artist at the Pat Rini Rohrer Gallery will be held Saturday Oct. 5th from 5 to 6 pm. at the Pat Rini Rohrer Gallery, 71 South Main Street, Canandaigua.



A photo of Steve during Art Walk at "Paint the Town" in Saranac Lake, and his nocturne, *Since 1951*.



Have Paints Will Travel...FAR!

Member Chris Kolupski will be participating this month and into October in the 2019 **Monuments and Canyons Plein Air Invitational**, in and around the Colorado National Monument. Also, in October he will join in **Plein Air Moab**, in and around Moab, Utah. He will be posting paintings along with painting videos on Facebook and Instagram to keep us posted. Stop by to check it out.



WORKSHOP

Judy Soprano, will demonstrate in two separate workshops, several techniques, including use of different weight papers, loose fluid beginnings followed by dry brush details, uses of warm and cool colors as well as transparent and opaque paints. Also, soft edges to hard edges and when to use them will be explored. Any level. Limited to 10 attendees.

Sept 28 – One Day Workshop (Saturday) at the Pat Rini Rohrer Gallery
10:00 am – 4:00 pm | \$85

and

at Notre Dame Retreat House Oct. 3 – One Day Workshop (Thursday)

10:00 am – 4:00 pm | \$85. & \$25. Venue fee, incl: continental breakfast, lunch & beverages – at the Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Road, Canandaigua

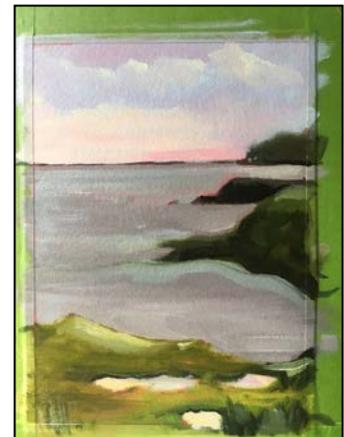


BEWARE: PLEIN AIR VIRUS

A newer GVPAP member Maureen Outlaw Church was been bitten by the invasive Plein Air bug. This summer, Maureen had the opportunity to paint with 2 different groups on the Outer Cape. On Tuesday, Sept. 2nd, she painted with the Eastham Painters Guild at Fort Hill, Eastham, Cape Cod. This was a normally scheduled paint-out, well attended and inspired by stunning salt water marshes and shifting breezes over the horizon. The hosts

were very friendly and welcoming. They keep a FB page with an open invitation to join them at different locations each Tuesday. Check it out.

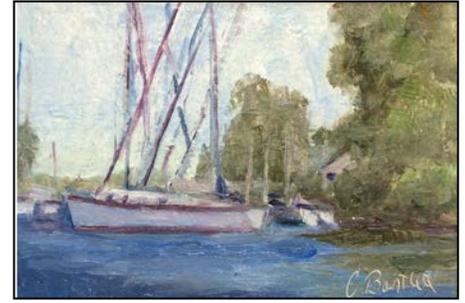
Easthampaintersguild.com.



2019 Sackets Harbor PLEIN AIR ART FESTIVAL

This year's event took place throughout Sackets Harbor and the Town of Hounsfield on July 25th, 26th, and the 27th.

There was a silent bidding auction on Saturday where you could "Meet the Artists" and place a bid on your favorite Plein Air painting. This was a wonderful opportunity to own an original piece of local art and support the arts in the community. Claudine Bartlett and Paul Martin participated and **Claudine won 3rd Place ! Congratulations!**



'Twas the Season for Plein Air

by Lana Grauer

The Adirondack Plein Air Festival was held the week of August 12th in Saranac Lake, NY. This is a very well organized and executed event in the glorious Adirondacks. The weather this year was spectacular and the fifty artists, including Steve BonDurant, who attended painted five days with special events including a nocturne contest and quick draw. Artists came from all parts of the country to participate including Steve BonDurant.

I especially love the stillness of the area and the constant fragrance of the pines as you paint. My two paintings were done on the property of the White Pines Adirondack Camp which was the "White House" of Calvin Coolidge.



summer



EXHIBITION: CAUTION! Men Working - Paintings by The All Weather Gang. Six members of the GVPAP including: Al Brewen, Steve BonDurant, Kevin Feary, Don Grieger, Gil Jordan, and Bill White will have paintings in an Exhibition in the Gallery Room at the Richmond Memorial Library in Batavia, NY for the Month of October. A rare Monday Reception will be held 6-8 pm, Oct. 7th.

For nearly 40 years the All Weather Gang has wandered the back roads of Western NY, painting the unnoticed, the ignored, and unappreciated. From time to time we enjoy revealing our efforts.

Editor's note: Not unappreciated!

TUPPER LAKE, NY
**PLEIN AIR
FESTIVAL**



OCTOBER 9-12, 2019



Summer always flies by so fast. This year we are extending an invitation to enjoy our amazing north country fall foliage by participating in the Tupper Lake Plein Air event October 8-13. Please consider joining us for 3 days of painting followed by a 2 day display of your creations in the Tupper Art center gallery.

We have several local residents who have offered lodging to traveling artists. If you are interested in lodging please contact Susan Delehanty at susanmaria.delehanty@gmail.com.

For more information please visit TupperArts.org or <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tupper-lake-plein-air-festival-tickets-57150306104>

DUE

If you haven't paid your dues as yet, please send your \$40 check made payable to Genesee Valley Plein Air Painters, Inc. c/o Phyllis Bryce Ely 581 Ontario Drive, Ontario, NY 14519. Deadline is to be postmarked by September 30th. As of October 1st your dues will be \$500...
haha, gotcha.
Just checking to see if you are reading this.
Your dues as of October 1st will be \$50.

5%

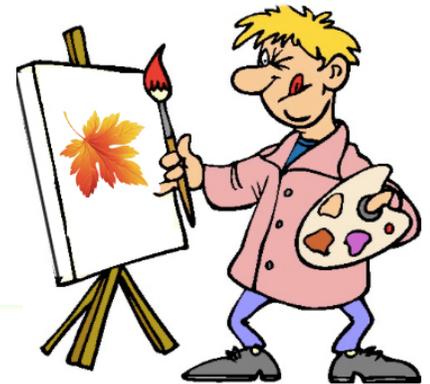
REMEMBER:

GVPAP receive 5% back in gift certificates from every purchase at Rochester Art Supply, 150 W. Main St., Rochester.

Simply inform the staff that YOU are a member or friend of GVPAP.

Now is the Time for All Good Members to Schedule a Paintout.

As always, contact Brenda Lyness, our Paintout Coordinator, if you wish to host a paintout.



WANTED

MORE "PLEIN AIR ESCAPADES"

If you have an amusing, interesting, or enlightening anecdote about a plein air experience or any other tidbits, suggestions to offer, the GVPAP E-Letter is always looking for artist's content.

AND, if you are uncomfortable or feel you are "not a writer,"
Kathy Morris, editor,
is more than happy to transcribe or edit your stories, let her know: