

The Art Connection

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Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

Sam Haney Retires from TCAL after 10 years of Faithful Service!!

Yes, you read it right. Sam announced his retirement plans in December, effective January 1st. For those of you who may not have been aware, Sam has been on call 24/7 pretty much since the Gallery opened. As a docent, I can attest to (and admit to) calling on Sam whenever **ANYTHING** went wrong or whenever I was running a little late and called him to open the Gallery for me.

He would step in and take our shifts if we called in at the last minute or forgot to get a substitute when we were going to be gone. For quite some time now Sam and Judith have kept the Gallery open on Saturdays because there was no one signed up to fill that opening.

Whenever anything was needed, from John paper to paper clips Sam was called or left a note and, because of his good nature, Sam always came through for us. It was kind of a joke to say "don't worry, Sam will do it". **AND HE ALWAYS DID!**

That's just a little background history for those of you who were not aware of how much Sam has done for us over the years. **I could go on and on.**

Thank you, Sam. You are loved and appreciated more than we ever let you know!

In order to thank Sam and show our sincere appreciation, the TCAL Get-to-Gather, Thursday, January 31 will be a SURPRISE retirement celebration in his honor.

Be sure and come and join in the fun as we honor our dear friend and share our Sam stories (do a little roasting, perhaps).

Everyone will bring some finger-food as we always do but since we are keeping this a secret, please do not bring anything that may give him a clue before we begin the evening. (NO CAKE WITH BEST WISHES, SAM written on it). Sam and Judith will be mysteriously left off the mailing list this month and will not receive a newsletter.

We all love a party and we all really love a surprise party so I invite you to please join us for this very special evening. Mark your calendars....Thursday, January 31, 2013!

See you at the Party,
Cathy Bennett, newsletter editor

If you have any questions or suggestions, call me at 409-429-6752 or call Judith on her cell 409-200-4759. Please do not leave messages at the Gallery!

Welcome New & Current Members

Linda & Jim Whiteley Wesley & Donna Harrison Bill & Dee Murray Bobbie Dengler
 Mary Nell & Lawrence Rainey Elaine LeBlanc Vicki & Jim Wood Marilyn McDonald
 Jane Spencer Doris McDonald Jane Martin Forrest Goodhue Jessica Breaux
 Patricia Daughterty Tatum Fred Sullivan/Sullivan's Hardware Doug & Peggy Libby
 Robert & Earline Allison Danny & Janet Clements Keith & Sharon Fuller Linda Hobbs
 James & Priscilla Hale Gene Jackson Joe & Sharon McIntyre Michael Maniss James Snyder
 Stephanie Maunder Gary Nelson J K Toler Gayle Vanderwater Betsy Strong
 Janie & Bob Boykin Marie Ault & Charles Dodd Curtis Garner

Thank you for your support

Classes:

Beginning adult oil painting classes, Nancy Bodden, Tuesdays from 9-Noon.

Thursdays from 9-Noon:

February - Mixed Media, Lynnette Brice instructor. Fee \$50.00

March - Watercolor, Cynthia Stewart, instructor. Fee \$50.00

Ongoing Classes:

Drum, bass and guitar classes by Kevin Miller 409-283-2788

**Stained Glass - Offered by Sylvia Holmes - \$85.00 for four classes, all materials included.
 For information or to schedule a class call Sylvia at: 409-200-0129**

CSI CLASS MONDAYS 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

WE PAINT AT THE GALLERY EVERY MONDAY.

THIS IS GENERALLY COVERED DISH,

HOWEVER SOMETIMES WE GO TO RONS CATFISH FOR LUNCH.

YOU CAN CALL MERILYN 656- 4672, NANCY 429- 6442,

BONNIE 283- 5535 OR JANE 658- 9088

IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION.

FEE FOR CSI MONDAY CLASS IS \$5.00.

WE WORK ON DIFFERENT PROJECTS

AND BOUNCE INFORMATION OFF EACH OTHER.

WE CREATE, SUPPORT AND INSPIRE EACH OTHER.

ANYONE COMING TO THE CLASS

WILL ENJOY THE ENVIRONMENT.

Please Join Us!

In Memory

*Donations have been made
 to TCAL in memory of:*

*Sarah (Sally) Harris by
 Rachel Broussard*

And

*Carl Muller by
 Cathy Bennett & Leon Todd*

What's New at the Gallery.....



- ◇ Art Glass by Blake Goss
- ◇ Giclee by Cynthia Stewart
- ◇ Acrylics by Greg Broussard
- ◇ Mixed Watercolors by Rebecca Jones
- ◇ Oil by Linda Hobbs
- ◇ Acrylics by Danny Clements
- ◇ Mixed Media by Danny Clements
- ◇ Acrylics by Janet Clements
- ◇ Oil by Rose West
- ◇ Pastel by Rose West
- ◇ Acrylic by Vicki Wood
- ◇ Mixed Media by Rebecca Jones
- ◇ Shoe Cards by Dee Murray
- ◇ Oil by Nancy Bodden
- ◇ Oil & Acrylics by James Carpenter
- ◇ Acrylic by Lynn Lewis

In Sympathy

On December 21st, our dear friend and TCAAL member, Carl Muller passed away.

We would like to extend our sincerest condolences.

Special Thanks to our Docents for December

Sharon McIntyre, Dee Murray, Doris McDonald,
Lynn Lewis, Blake Goss, Sylvia Holmes, Nancy Bodden
Cathy Bennett, Jane Martin,
Sam Haney, Sam Haney, Sam Haney, Sam Haney,
and of course, Judith Haney.

We have openings for new docents!

You are the folks who keep our doors open and you are appreciated!

T.C.A.L.'S

Monthly "Get-to-gather"

The last Thursday of each month

Join us at 7:00 PM,

Thursday January 31st

For a Retirement Party in honor of

Sam Haney

This monthly gathering
is great fun and
a wonderful opportunity
to get to know each other.

Everyone is Welcome!

It's Pitch In so bring some tasty treat and
join in the fun!

See you at the Gallery!



Two Thumbs Up!



Once again, the Tyler County community has been blessed by another outstanding presentation on the **Emporium Stage**.

Our special thanks to Director Roxanne Babin for her vision, hard work and support of the performing arts.

The Christmas review was outstanding and drew capacity crowds.

It was a wonderful way to share the Holiday Spirit and to support the growth of The Emporium by **raising funds for our new theater.**

Thanks also to the cast and crew for their dedication of time and talents.

Now What??

Now that Sam has retired, we need to look at what we need to do to fill that gap and it is a huge one! Presently, we have the docent positions filled for Tuesday thru Friday but there is no one signed up to fill the slots on Saturday. If we want to keep the doors open on Saturdays, we need more volunteers. I realize that it is hard to commit to every Saturday because we all have weekend plans occasionally. Our Saturday hours have been from 10 AM - 3 PM. That is two shifts. One from 10 AM - 12:30 PM and one from 12:30 PM - 3 PM. Would anyone be willing to commit to one shift a month? If we got enough folks to sign up we could keep our doors open without it being too much of a burden on anyone.

The other thing that we really need is substitute docents. If you are willing to fill in occasionally when one of the regular docents cannot be there, it would be greatly appreciated. One of the concerns that I know many of you have with doing this, is not knowing what to do, but any one of the current docents would be happy to fill you in on what to do and we will be available to call if you have any questions while you are on duty.

We really appreciate all the Haneys have done so let's demonstrate it by stepping up and helping!

Thanks so much in advance,

Cathy Bennett 409-429-6752

Upcoming Spring Show at East Texas Art League:

“Signs of Faith”

Show opens Feb 16th, Reception 2-4:00 PM

Entries Accepted Feb 13-14th.

Entry fees for this open show are as follows:

1 piece \$10.00, 2 pieces \$15.00, 3pieces \$25.00

All media welcome, 2 or 3 dimensional.

For information call 409-384-2404

Check Out Our Website!

www.tylercountyartleague.org

A special thanks to **Lisa Richardson** for all the work she has done to create and maintain the site!

CSI NEWSLETTER:

Hi everybody,

Here we are in January already ..2013 just zooming along. We have some exciting classes coming up that I wanted to let you know about.

In February Lynnette Brice will be teaching in pastels, oils or any medium you would like. She will have a set up, but if you have a photo that you would like to work from that will be fine too. phone: 409-423-3696.

Cynthia Stewart will be teaching watercolor in March. She will also teach in pastels..so again, you will have a choice. She will be glad to assist you in either medium. phone:409-382-5798

Nancy Bodden teaches beginning adult oil every Tuesday from 9-12..These are ongoing classes. Her phone is 409-429-6442

Feel free to call any of these ladies for more information.

Our annual festivities are coming up in March. The next to last Saturday in March is "Festival of the Arts" There will be a street art show with demonstrations and there is always great music in the Emporium. This is our time to shine so come out and join us.

Don't forget the last Thursday evening in the month is our TCAL Get-To-Gather..starting at 7:00p.m. Time to spend with friends old and new. Always a fun evening with everyone bringing good food. See page 1 for details about this month's special event!

I hope to see a big turnout for all of the classes and activities.

Bonnie Thompson 409-283-5535



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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Jan 26, 2013, 9 AM - 11 PM
15th annual Alabama-Coushatta Children's PowWow. For information call Delbert Johnson at: 936-933-6382
- ◆ Jan 28, 2013, 6:00 PM
Tyler County Heritage Society Annual Membership Meeting. For information call Heritage Village 409-283-2272.
- ◆ Jan 31, 2013, 7:00 PM
TCAL Monthly Get-To-Gather, this month: **A Tribute to Sam Haney** see page 1
- ◆ Feb 2, 2013, 7:00 PM
"If These Walls Could Talk", Pictorial walk through the historical buildings in Tyler County with Stephanie Yearwood as guide. Presented by COMPASS on the Emporium Stage. Call 409-283-3752 for information
- ◆ Feb 16, 2013, 2-4 PM
Opening of Spring "Signs of Faith" Art Show at the East Texas Art League in Jasper. Call for information 409-384-2404 see page 4

◆ Upcoming Classes see page 2

A special New Year's greeting
to one and all and a big

Thank You for your ongoing support!
You, the members, are
what keeps TCAL going and
you are appreciated!