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Apologies for this being late. Life happens...the editor.

From the Potter's Wheel - Nicole Gamble

In true Canadian form I will start by commenting on the weather ... What an amazing summer we have had so far!! We have passed the half way mark and have many of the Art Events tucked away for another season. Opening weekend at the BPSA Co-op Gallery was a huge success with art flying out the door! The Gallery got a full makeover before opening making it brighter and more spacious. The changes have been well received by all and we have seen a definite increase in new visitors due to participation in offsite events to advertise and new signage in front of the building. The 49th Annual Art Show enjoyed another positive year sharing the public school space with the Quilt Show. Both were well attended once again and we are looking forward to celebrating the 50th next year. The last big event on the horizon is the Studio Tour on August 27th & 28th. We are hoping by going down to just one tour weekend this year we will see an increase in traffic to the Studios.

Back in February of this year I was contacted by one of the Directors at my husband's company, St. Clair Technologies. This year was the 65th Anniversary! His Grandfather started the company in 1951! The company remains family owned and now has up to the 4th Generation working there. The Directors of the company wanted to commemorate the anniversary with a special gift to both the past and present owners

as well as all of the Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren of Grandpa Lindsay. I put the call out to the BPSA to submit works that they felt embodied the theme "longevity" and that could be made into prints for the 14 recipients. Thanks to all of you who took the time to submit your works. The directors chose a beautiful piece by Lin Souliere called Buddha Tree II. BPSA and Co-op Gallery Member Phillip Connolly created the prints and mounted them on wood panels that he made. The results were spectacular. I managed to keep it all a secret from Randy and even transported the 14 pieces to the celebration with us under the guise that I was helping out Lin by bringing the works to a Gallery near our home town. The directors were all thrilled with the gifts and Randy's Aunt Jane even teared up when reading the poem that Lin wrote to accompany the painting and was mounted on the back of each print. A huge thanks to both Lin and Phillip for your part in making the 65th Anniversary of St. Clair a memorable one.



In April we held an Art Gab and shared what we had each been working on over the winter. It was great to

get inspired by the creativity of other Artists. Thanks to all who came out and shared with us. In May, local yoga teacher Nina Andic came in as our model for figure drawing and provided some great poses for us to sketch. June was our annual AGM and potluck where the creativity of our group came out in the form of food. In July BPSA members joined Lin for the CSPWC Paint Out. I was unable to attend as I was building a playground at the school! 😊 I'm looking forward to our road trip to Owen Sound next week for our August meeting. We will be enjoying a visit to the new Owen Sound Artists Co-op location, a guided tour of the Tom Thompson Gallery and a visit to The Santa Fe Gallery to see the CSPWC Members and Associates Exhibit as well as lunch out!

As summer draws to a close and autumn approaches ...

“Go and make interesting mistakes, make amazing mistakes, make glorious and fantastic mistakes. Break rules. Leave the world more interesting for your being here. Make. Good. Art.” ~Neil Gaiman

Cheers! Nicole

Studio Tour by Nicole Gamble

Studio Tour dates are August 27th & 28th from 10-5. There are 28 Artists at 9 locations this year making it easy to visit every Studio over the tour weekend! If you are on the Peninsula come out and say hello. A follow up meeting will be held in the fall for tour participants. If you plan on being part of the tour next year please make an effort to attend as this is when decisions are made for the next year's tour.

Also, please be advised that I will be stepping down as Chair of the Studio Tour. I have spread myself too thin the past 2 summers with my roles on the BPSA, at the Co-op Gallery, the Art Show and the Studio Tour. I have taken time to reflect and realize I need to step back from a few things before I burn out. I will chair the wrap up meeting in the fall and provide all the necessary information and time lines to the new chair at that time. For those of you on the Studio Tour please consider if chairing the tour is a role that you might

consider taking on. If anyone has any questions about chairing the tour please let me know.

Upcoming BPSA Meetings

September 28 – Mary Ambrose – Cold wax and Oil, studio visit and demo

October 26 – ART GAB. Bring something you are working on to discuss and share with others. 1:30.

November 23 – **Pot Luck Luncheon** at 12:30. This is our annual Holiday meeting, please bring a small hand made gift to exchange if you like and participate in the Art Trivia Quiz. Bring a plate, cutlery and mug plus something to share on the table of food.

All BPSA meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at 1:30 at the Anglican Parish Hall in Lions Head. Everyone is always welcome, bring a friend too!

Membership – Denise Callaghan is our treasurer, please contact her for membership at tdcallaghan@yahoo.ca or 519-793-3582.

Welcome to new BPSA members :

Our current paid up membership is 86, which includes 6 new members - please welcome

Donna Gilbert

Allison Arnold

Lynda Lemmon

Michael Piggott

David & Tamara Riach

Brian Wheeler

If by chance you have not renewed your membership and would like to, please send a cheque (\$20 for an individual and \$30 per couple) to me as follows:

BPSA / Denise Callaghan

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Thanks!

49th Annual Bruce Peninsula Art Show

This year marks the 49th for this very popular Show. As of the beginning of July, 87 artists have registered, leaving a scant 6 boards left not spoken for at this time.. they may fill up yet.

We juried in 7 Bursary students, but one girl has changed her course early on and will not be exhibiting at the Show.

The far end of the school will once again feature the Quilt Show. Having both events at the one location certainly was a success last year, and we looking forward to another amazing display by these talented quilters.

If you are not in the Show this year, we hope that you will come by and view the works done by your fellow artists. Friday evening is the Meet the Artists show opening and reception with refreshments for all. Come and enjoy.

Hellyer's Grocery Tape Programme

Sue Dymnt

At the moment I have a pile of tapes to add up. These were left in the tin on the counter at the store. I had asked tapes to be brought to last months meeting, but the storm that day caused the cancellation of the meeting. Please bring them with you to the March meeting.

If anyone wants to request a book, or DVD be ordered in and added to the items already at the Library, please let me know. Sue

Artists Coop Report Brenda Kerton The Season of New

Some new artists, lots of new art, a new gallery layout, new fixtures, newly planted gardens, new signage....

While much is new, our commitment to showcasing great art remains the same!

Last fall we got started on sprucing things up with newly painted boards. This spring we reconfigured the Gallery and made a number of improvements. Our opening weekend - the May long weekend - was one of the busiest and most successful in our history. Our opening reception was so busy we were spilling out the doors!

The season so far has been great. Along with so much new has been an increase in the people stopping in who are new customers. Of course there have also been large numbers of returning customers wanting to explore what's new.

As well as our Gallery hours, this year we set up space at the Lions Head Farmers Market on the long weekends in May and the end of July. Both weekends were busy and we were able to meet and talk with lots of people. We also set

up a booth at the Warton Air Show on June 11. We hope to repeat our off sites next year and will look for other possible venues as well.

And we are not done yet! You will soon see some new art outside at the Gallery. Stay tuned!

About your BPSA emails. Emails are sent to you, the members, by the Chair of the group or by other members who wish to share items of interest. I am the e-secretary, and it is my job to send these items out. I always try to be sure that the senders Email address is on the items being sent, so any reply can go to them, but still there are many folks who just go up and hit "Reply" which sends your info to me, and not the person waiting to hear from you. PLEASE DO NOT hit REPLY to emails that come from me marked BPSA: Thanks, Sue Dymnt

BPSA Executive for 2015 / 2017

(note executive sits for 2 years)

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Cunningham *(we still need a third person for this committee...can you help?)*

Committees: **Studio Tour Chair** – Nicole Gamble;

Art Show Chair – Sue Dymnt; **Coop Gallery**

Contact – Julie Heinrichs; **Hellyers Tapes** – Sue Dymnt

Public Liaison – Lin Souliere and Stuart Burgess

New Membership List is available now, contact Denise Callaghan for a copy.

The Back Page

A place to tell us about your accomplishments, exhibits, awards, or just to brag about what's happening! Let us know what you're up to.

Exhibits and Achievements:

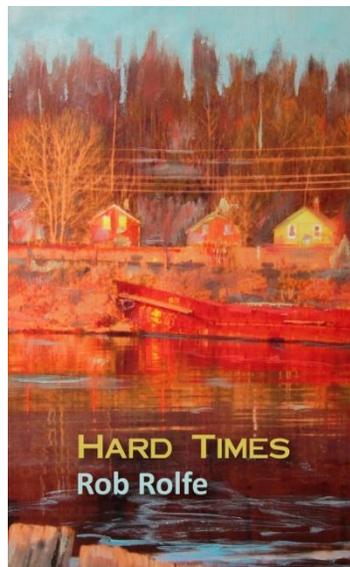
The Dyers Bay Association has published "Reflections of Dyers Bay", highlighting local stories and history of the Bay, and BPSA member Mary Wallace Morris has a painting on the back cover!!! Great work Mary!

Letter to editor: Just a note if you wish to add to newsletter, thanks to a visit with Lin Soulliere Jungsik Jo (Michael) with Lin's suggestions has added pen and ink as one of his mediums along with water color. Michael is so great full for the inspiration and support. Here is a pic of his first pen and ink. He will be thanks to Lin adding a couple at art show along with his pencil sketches. Terry.



Santa Fe Gallery What's On BIOWOMAN 9: Life of Woman

Opening Sat Oct 29, 2:00 to 4:00pm. Over 60 works of art by woman artists both local and international. **Santa Fe Gallery, 828 Third Ave East, Owen Sound.**
Tues to Fri 10 to 4:00.



Warton Library Exhibit Opportunity If any of you would like to show your work in the library, please contact Michael at micranpiggott@gmail.com

Frame This – custom framing by **Sue Dymant**, call 519-793-3247.

Hellyers Tapes – we still collect Hellyer's Sales Tapes in Lions Head, please give to Sue Dymant.

Grassroots Solar Solutions – 828 3rd Ave E, Owen Sound, 510-270-5747 – **Carl Bell**

The Art Map – the place to check out all the art events and studios in Grey and Bruce Counties.

ART SUPPLIES FOR SALE - Dragonfly Ridge Studio now has a full selection of art supplies for sale up here near Lions Head. Call Lin at 519-793-4758 to drop by and pick up your art supplies. Special orders too. Artists get a great discount! 107 Caudle Sideroad, just north of Lions Head.

Deadline for the next **BrushStrokes** is December 1, 2016.

If you have anything you would like to tell us (art related, not about your holiday to Newark to visit your cousin unless there was some great art to see there), an opinion about something, or a show you recently saw and want to comment on, or any other art related subject, please contact the editor, Lin Soulliere at linsoulliere@gmail.com