CHANGES, WE'VE GOT CHANGES

Many thanks to John Barends (Area III) for his past service as State Membership Chair. John, who has been a Fl.A.G. member since 1980, retired from his committee post in May. His replacement is Bill North (Area VID. Our Thanks also to Jean Dean (Area VID, a Fl.A.G. member since 1971, who has retired from the Membership Committee. She is replaced by William Burnett (Area III.)

Some 941 area codes have changed to 863. In order for us to know who changed and who didn't, if yours changed, would you please let the Newsletter Chair, Roberta Schofiela know? (813) 837-3473 or (813) 786-3473 or philart@ate.net or P. O. Box 10561, Tampa, FL 33611. Thank you!!

Changes to the Fl.A.G. 2000 Catalog:

- Roger McMullan's name was misspelled in the caption under his painting.
- Eleanor Richter, Area I; her e-mail address should be rerichter@earthlink.net
- Lorrie Williamson, Area I, has a new address: 720 NE 2nd St., Pompano Beach, FL 33060 954/783-6536
- Helen Cox, Cindy Epps-Smith, Carol Frye and Chryssie Tavrides, Area IV, changed area code to
- Jean Troemel, Area VI, e-mail addres is iwtart479@aol.com

FYI: **Area Chairs** Area I.....Anjal Soler, Ft. Lauderdale Area II Cecily Hangen, West Palm Beach Area III...Joyce Novak, Sarasota Area IV...Nan Griffin, St. Petersburg Area V....Carol Frye, Lakeland Area VI...Jean W. Troemel, St. Augustine Area VII. Janis M. Balabon, Cape Coral

! New Slate of Officers!

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Dorothy Bosco, Richard Capes and Cecily Hangen will present the following slate as their nominees for 2001-2003:

President

Don Carmichael, Area III Immediate Past President Cecily Hangen, Area II Vice President Robert York, Area VII Recording Secretary Eleanor Merritt, Area III **CorrespondingSecretary** Brooke Allison, Area IV

Treasurer

Shirley Frank, Area IV Assistant Treasurer Susan Stair Stephens, Area II

Nominations will be accepted from the floor, voting will be at the Annual Symposium on May 19th.

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BUSY, BUSY Members' News

Rowena Smith has been super busy. She exhibited with SLIMM at St. John's College in Santa Fe, NM and at La Chapelle des Penitents in Lourdes, France. As a member of the National Association of Women Artists, Rowena has exhibited in a travelling print exhibition, in the Feminist Expo (Millenium Collection) and at Atelier 14 in New York City. She exhibited with the Florida Watercolor Society in their 21st Annual at the Appleton Museum of Art and won Signature Status in the National Watercolor Society. She was awarded Nautalus Status in the

International Society of Experimental Artists, was in a two-person exhibition of outsider art at Science of Mind Gallery in Boca Raton, and was published in City Link. In addition to all this, she juried a show for the Coral Springs Artists Guild and did

demonstrations for the Everglades Artists Guild, the Miami Watercolor Society, the City of Sunrise and the Gold Coast Watercolor Society. Congratulations, Rowena, on your awards and on your energy!

Eleanor Richter was awarded 3rd Place for a computer collage in the Coral Springs Artist Guild's Art and Soul Exhibition at the Lobby Gallery of the Coral Springs Museum of Art in October. She has had a digital painting accepted in the Naples Art Association's First All Florida Exhibition, Art 2000 Encounter, at The von Liebig Art Center in Naples, February 2 - March 17.

Sylvia Davis is to be congratulated! She won First Place Award in the 2000 Annual Juried Exhibit of the Florida Artists Professional Guild in June at the One Ear Society Gallery in Coconut Grove.

Wilma Bulkin Siegel has been living up to her reputation as an achiever by having her images installed at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New

From the President

I hope you are all looking forward to your participation in this year's Symposium. We have a great program planned (see accompanying pages) and we know all of you will enjoy spending time in our Capital City. The charm and beauty of Tallahassee is only outshone by it's gracious hospitality.

Exhibiting at the Capitol Gallery is a privilege and distinction of which you can be quite proud. I hope you will all participate. It has been a greater privilege and distinction to serve as your president these last two years. Thanks to all the hard work of the Board of Directors and thanks to the entire membership it has also been a wonderful tenure.

Cecily

York City, receiving an award at the Annual NAWA Exhibition at Atelier 14 Gallery in New York, exhibiting at the Fort Lauderdale Art Museum, receiving the 5th Annual Extraordinary Voices Award by Mother's Voices, exhibiting her AIDS Survivor series at a different Synagogue in Broward County each month, having a solo show at the Fort Lauderdale Library of her Seniors with AIDS series, exhibiting at the Sarasota Art Museum, and by winning Best of Show at the American Physicians Art Association in Orlando. She will be exhibiting in the Mentor-to-Mentor

exhibition at the Dunedin Fine Art Center this Spring. Mickie Wilson is on a hiatus designing and executing scenery for the theater group of the Plymouth Church in Coconut Grove. Among the productions this last year was You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, and a dinner theater production of a murder mystery in which the whole dining area and the stage became the set.Mickie is also teaching on-site watercolor landscapepainting at Fairchild Tropical Garden.

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Last January busy member Lorrie Williamson won Second Place in the Broward Art Guild's Black & White Exhibition. She got Judges Recognition in August from the Broward Art Guild's Miniatures exhibition, and showed in the Coral Springs Museum of Fine Art Gallery's Faculty Exhibition. The Boca Museum Professional Artist Guild accepted Lorrie as an exhibiting member in

Area II

The exhibition at Palm Beach Community College Eissey Campus January 25 to February 27 features neon sculpture by Dorothy Bosco, acrylics by Cecily Hngen, mixed media by Eydi Lamposona and oils by Assistant Treasurer Susan Stair Stevens.

Area III

Nat Krate, had one of his paintings "Kalanchoe V" included in the Sarasota Biennial 2000 exhibition at the Ringling Museum. Mr. Krate is one of sixty artists from the State of Florida in this prestigious exhibition. Nat's work was also included in an invitational exhibit at the Payne Mansion and Museum of the Selby Botanical Gardens in Sarasota and in the 62nd Annual National Exhibition of Contemporary Paintings at the Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach. Great Going, Nat! You make us all look good!

Fl.A.G. Recording Secretary Eleanor Merritt adds more work to her busy schedule by exhibiting at American Stage in St. Petersburg (until 2/18) and in November, she will have her 18th solo show at the Unity Gallery in Sarasota. Also note that she is adding to her list of things to do by her appointment to the New Foundation Board of Directors of the Ringling Museum of Art where she is now serving on the Search Committee seeking a new Director.

William Burnett is showing in the 62nd Annual National Exhibition of Contemporary Paintings at the Society of Four Arts, along with Nat Krate (Area III) and Mari Conneen (Area V)

Area III introduces their new Area Chair, Joyce Novak, Nokomis, and thanks Jamie Friedli for her past service.

Area IV

Area Chair Nan Griffin and Treasurer Shirley Frank were featured prominently (full color, several works each) in the Winter 2001 issue of Watercolor, an American Artist Publication (That issue also

includes the work of Area V Fl.A.G. members Carol Frye and Elizabeth Clement.) They were four of the five artists featured in a 10 page article, The Evolution to Abstraction by James A. Metcalfe. What a Coup, ladies! We hope all the members get a look at the article.

Marjorie Dean Andruk's painting Hong Kong which is now permanently on display at the Corporate Headquarters of Bowmer and Kirkland. L.T.D. in Derbyshire, England, is featured in the Spring 2000 issue of Alumni News, Art at U.S.C.. It is also in Marjorie's listing in Who's Who in Women of the World! Fabuloso, Mari! You are HOT!

Roberta Schofield's work was again included in the annual Statewide benefit exhibition for the Florida Aquarium called Artistic Waters. She has also joined the Board of Directors of Artists Unlimited in Tampa and now guides their exhibition program. In February she lectured on career development to the Orange Park Art Guild. Her biography has been accepted for inclusion in 2000 Outstanding Artists and Designers of the 20th Century from the Melrose Press in England.

Area V

Daniel Ambrose was recently featured in Halifax magazine. They used his painting Into the Light for the cover of their August 2000 issue. He also recently won an Award of Distinction for his egg tempera paintings at the 29th Annual Jacksonville Riverside Arts Festival. And this past summer, he has been building his website and it can now be seen at www.danielambrose.com. Be sure to look, everyone! Past President Elizabeth Clement, was

Polk Museum of Art in Lakeland. We should all be very proud that one of our members has achieved this distinction! Congratulations, Elizabeth! And, so as to not appear to rest on her laurels, Elizabeth's work is prominently featured in the Winter 2001 issue of Watercolor, An American Artist Publication. (Also featured - Area IV members Nan Griffin and Shirley Frank!)

honored with a solo exhibition at the

Thanks to Cindy Epps Smith for her numerous years of service as Area Chairperson and welcome to Carol Frye as the new Chairperson.

The year 2000 was a great year for Carol Frve for national shows. Her work was accepted into three out of four of the national competitions she entered. Two paintings to Ridge Art Association's 4th National Show, two paintings to the 9th International Society of Experimental Artists,

and a painting accepted into the 19th Annual Adirondack National

Exhibition of American Watercolorists at Old Forge, NY. This last painting was also selected for their traveling show. Carol's work was recently published in an article, The Evolution of Abstraction in the Winter 2001 issue of Watercolor magazine, published by American Artist magazine.

Area V welcomes new member, Nancy Sykes Cockerham.

Mari Conneen is exhibiting in the 62nd Annual National Exhibition of Contemporary Paintings at the Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach.

Area VI

Pat Nolan won an award in the Jacksonville Watercolor Society Fall Show and Best Watercolor in Honor's Show.

Joe Segal is exhibiting in Feburary and May in Hollywood, FL's City Hall, New Smyrna "Arts on Douglas" in May and June of 2001, and at the Cummer Gallery in Jacksonville in Vision 2000.

Jan Miller will exhibit at the Butterfield Garage Gallery in March of 2001 and at the Joyce Petter Gallery in Saugatuck, Michigan.

Kathy Parker & Pat Brown were in a group show at Lake Wales Art Center in October and November.

Pat Brown is also showing a collection of her paintings at the Anthony Kelley Gallery in Pensacola in January and February of 2001.

New Member Kathleen Mulholland won Best of Show in the St. Augustine Art Association's December exhibition.

Sidney McKenna is featured at the Butterfield Gallery in January.

Jean Troemel is featered at the PASTA Gallery, also in January.

Beau Redmond was awarded 2 commissions of four watercolors for a law firm in North Carolina adding to their

collection of 34 Redmond paintings. He also was commissioned to do a large mixed media painting for the Alabama Hospital Association.

Area VII

Lee Ackert was accepted in The Florida Watercolor Society 29th exhibit held this year in the Appleton Museum in Ocala. She was elected as First

Vice President of the Society for the year 2001 and will be President in 2002 when the exhibit and convention will be held in Naples. She also won the

Kanuga Watercolor Workshop - H.K. Holbein Inc. Award of \$500.00.

Introducing

New Members

Douglas Teller . Area III Ralph Bigletti, Area VII Patrice Burkhardt, Area VII Juliane Ketcher, Area I Hank Werner, Area I Joe Segal, Area VI Nancy Cockerham, Area VI Kathleen Mulholland, Area VI

SPECIAL REPORT!

By Bill North, State Membership Chair

We are looking for a few good women and men. Not for the Marine Corps, but for membership in the Florida Artists Group. All new members come as the result of nominations by current members, so you are the key to adding to our ranks. Here is a brief outline of the nominating procedure. Complete details are found in two forms available from your area chairperson.

1. Review and follow the How to Nominate and Application for Membership forms available from your area chair.

2. Give your candidate the application form to fill out. Supporting documentation is needed.

3. The applicant is to give the completed form and supporting documentation to sponsors who review, evaluate and approve or not. Two sponsors' signatures are needed.

The application goes to the area chair who reviews and approves or not. The area chair's signature is needed.

5. The area chair sends the approved application to the state membership chair who administers the final review process by four jurors.

6. Jurors evaluate and vote yes or no. A majority of yesses are needed.

7. The state chairman advises applicants, president, treasurer and area chair if an invitation to join is to be issued.

8. Approved applicants then send dues payment to the state treasurer. The treasurer acknowledges.

In the year 2001 there will be two nomination periods: March 1 to April 30 and September 1 to October 31. Of course we are looking for very accomplished artists. Additional criteria information can be found in the two forms.