



## President's Message

Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers for making it a successful year.

"Happy Painting"

*Jack*

## Honored

Nanette Jones was presented with a Life Membership and a Certificate of Appreciation for all her work and support of our group.

## 2007 Annual Meeting

The Watercolor Society of Alabama Annual Meeting had ten new members in attendance. They, along with all the other members present were welcomed by President Jack Hadder, followed by the business of the day which included election of the 2008 Officers. They are: President-Jack Hadder, President Elect-Vacant, First Vice President-Sherman Barnes, Second Vice President-Judy Butler, Third Vice President-Winnie Cooper, Membership Chair-Julia Pope, Recording Secretary-Melinda Mathews, Corresponding Secretary-Barbara Prior, Newsletter-Frances Sellers, Historian-Ann Carmichael, Parliamentarian-Vacant, Workshop Director-Dana Brown, Long Range Planning-Vacant, E-News/Website-Nanette Jones, Treasurer-Tora Johnson, and Director of Regional Representatives-Vacant.

The members present then enjoyed drawing for prizes. Irene Graves won \$150 gift from Airfloat Systems, Ruth Herzog won a free Stephen Quiller Workshop, Bettye Howell and Barbara Prior won \$50 Daniel Smith Gift Certificates and the following people won gifts from Alabama Art: Jack Hadder (Craft Bag), Paulette Parks, Marsha Nelson and Caroline Lavender (Paints), Terry Harris (Book), Diane Sheperd (Mini Canvas), Judy Fields (\$15 Gift Certificate), Barbara Valentine (\$20 Gift Certificate) and Anne Reiser (\$25 Gift Certificate.)

## 67th WSA National Exhibition

Chairman Sherman Barnes tells us that plans are going well for the 67th WSA National Exhibition to be held at the Carnegie Visual Arts Center in Decatur, Alabama. The Stephen Quiller Workshop being directed by Dana Brown will be April 7-11, 2008. The Prospectus will be coming out in 2-3 weeks and paintings will be due April 4. Final information about the reception, etc. will be forthcoming in the Winter Newsletter.

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## Other News

Jack Hadder reported that we had 8,800 visitors to the National Exhibition in Anniston. WOW!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We have Board Vacancies for President Elect, Parliamentarian, Long Range Planning and Director of Regional Representatives. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. Along with the work, we have lots of fun and friendship.

## Workshops, Shows, Etc.

McDowell Watercolor Workshop, October 21-26, 2007 with Lana L. Grow, AMW-Experimental Watermedia; Richard Willows-Directions in Watercolor and Wayne Spradley - Realistic, Transparent Watercolor. As of the date of the Annual Meeting, there were still openings for these workshops. 1-256-237-9900

## Membership News

Our Membership Chair, Julia Pope, tells us we have 338 WSA members, 112 Signature Members: 79 Signature, 4 Signature Gold, 9 Signature Silver and 20 Signature Bronze. We have 94 Juried Members, 127 Associate and 3 Honorary Members. Awards at Annual Meeting:

Signature: Ronald Lewis

Barbara Prior

Frances Sellers

Signature Bronze: George Jackson

Becky Kennedy

Juried: Heike Covell

Jean Goldstein

Barb Valentine

## Great Things Happening with Our Members!

**Elizabeth Carr** was awarded the Warehouse Framer's Award at the 2007 National Exhibition of the Georgia Watercolor Society in Carrollton, Georgia. She had two paintings accepted for the 2007 Tallahassee Watercolor Society's Southeastern Show and a painting accepted for the 2007 Watercolor Society of Alabama's National Exhibition in Anniston, Alabama. She teaches an ongoing watercolor classes at the Community Bible Church in Kennesaw, Georgia.

**Clyde Draughon** has had paintings juried into the following 2007 shows: Atlanta Artists Center Traveling Show and June Gallery Show, Quinlan Visual Arts Center (Gainesville, Georgia) National Show and the South Cobb Arts Alliance (Georgia) National Show. He won awards in both the Georgia Watercolor Society National Show and the Southern Watercolor Society National Show.

**Toni L. Elkins** won a Merit Award in the Western Federation of Watercolor Societies and an Honorable Mention in Piccolo Spoleto. She has works accepted in the Rocky Mountain National, International Society of Experimental Artists and Adirondacts Exhibit of American Watercolors.

**Victoria Lenne** has had works accepted in the Georgia Watercolor National Exhibition in Carrollton, the Louisiana Watercolor Society National Exhibition, the Red River Watercolor Society National Exhibition, the Watercolor Society of Alabama National Exhibition, the Wyoming 22nd Watercolor National Exhibition and the International Society of Experimental Artists. She received an award at the Newell-Hendershot Exhibition in Bristol, Tennessee and became a Signature Member of The International Society of Experimental Artists.

**Keith McPheeters** had a painting accepted in the Columbus Artists' Guild Annual Juried Exhibition for which he won an award.

**Pat San Soucie** has paintings accepted in the following shows: Texas Watercolor Society, Tubac (AZ) Aqueous XII, Western Colorado Watercolor, Missouri Watercolor Society Spring Invitational Online, Hilton Head (SC) Art League, Missouri Watercolor Society, Georgia Watercolor Society, Oregon Watercolor Society, Louisiana Watercolor Society, Faces/Upstreampeople gallery.com Online, Arts Center of Old Forge, NY, Rocky Mountain Watercolor, Golden, CO, Philadelphia Watercolor Society, Rhode Island Watercolor Society and Mississippi Watercolor Society. She won awards in the Western Colorado Watercolor, the Georgia Watercolor Society and the Oregon Watercolor Society Shows. She also had a painting accepted for Splash 10, a publication by Northlight Books, Inc.

**Billy Steele** won third place in the All Around Juried Show.

## Dues Information for All Members

You must pay your dues every year, continuously, to retain your membership status. **The 2008 annual dues are due January 1, 2008.** If you choose to do so, you may pay \$300 for Lifetime Membership and never pay dues again. Please examine the label on your newsletter. You can tell if your dues are up to date by that label. Please send all dues or inquiries to:

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**Late News:** Northwest Watercolor Society 2008 Open Exhibition (Seattle), April 1-29, 2008. Open to watercolor/watermedia on paper/paperboard. Deadline: January 22, 2008. Juror: Pat Dewes. Over \$10,000 in cash and merchandise awards. For prospectus, go to [www.NWWS.org](http://www.NWWS.org) or send SASE to Betty Chong-Gerbracht, 204 219th Place SW, Bothell, WA 98021-8231.

## Newsletter Information

Send any member news or other information for the **WSA Newsletter** to Frances Sellers, 253 St. Andrews Parkway, Oneonta, AL 35121 (205-274-0722) or [Towhee22@aol.com](mailto:Towhee22@aol.com). Please title email "Newsletter."

**Deadline for Next Newsletter:  
January 11, 2008**

## Historian

Any articles, pictures or other information concerning WSA or its members should be sent to: Ann Carlisle Carmichael  
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## Welcome to New Members

Carroll Andrews, McCalla, Alabama  
Marleen Bodden, Birmingham, Alabama  
Judy Butler, Birmingham, Alabama  
Pat Carroll, Birmingham, Alabama  
Carolyn Collins, Birmingham, Alabama  
Donna England, Monroe, Louisiana  
Patricia Ernst, Daphne, Alabama  
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