



SAUGATUCK
ART CLUB
DOUGLAS

ANNUAL MEETING

October 10, 2023

Saugatuck Douglas History
Center

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER

ITEMS FOR MEMBER VOTE

1. Vote on a new version of the By Laws
 - *The old and new version of the bylaws were sent to all members before this meeting. Input or questions were solicited.*
 - Discussion and Vote

2. Special thanks to our by-law revision committee:

Catherine Blagdurn, Chair

Teresa O'Brien

John Thomas

Slate of
Officers for
a Vote



Annie Hayes, President



Mary Margaret Bonzheim, Treasurer

FINANCIALS

10-1-22 TO 9-30-23



Bonnie Lowe,
Treasurer

Finance Committee:
Culver Lamb and Allen
Wolbrink

SAUGATUCK DOUGLAS ART CLUB ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 10/1/22 TO 9/30/23

INCOME	BUDGET	<u>TOTAL FOR</u> YEAR
Membership DUES	\$3,000.00	\$6,435.00
DONATIONS	\$2,000.00	\$1,151.00
Art Fairs Income 2023	\$11,000.00	\$16,032.00
Miscellaneous	\$3,500.00	\$1,285.00
TOTAL INCOME for year	\$19,500.00	\$24,903.00

EXPENSES

PROGRAMS AND OPERATING EXPENSES	\$5,200.00	\$4,374.00
SCHOLARSHIPS	\$6,500.00	\$4,460.00
MISCELLANEOUS - public school art program support	\$2,300.00	\$1,336.00
	\$5,500.00	\$5,675.00
TOTAL EXPENSES for year	\$19,500.00	\$15,845.00

Total Assets on 10/1/22

\$52,407.00

CURRENT ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$9,070.00	
Treasury Bills	\$30,000.00	
11 month CD at 5.3%	\$20,000.00	
Total current assets		\$59,070.00

CELEBRATING 70 YEARS

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1953 – EXHIBITS FOR LOCAL ARTISTS

The Club is founded to provide a place for local artists to exhibit and learn more about art.

1971 – SUPPLEMENTS FOR SCHOOLS

The Club learns of cutbacks in art funding in local schools and begins to financially support the art programs.

1980 – SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS

The Club begins to offer scholarships to qualifying students to continue their art education after graduating from high school.





John Thomas, Chair



- Fulfilling the founding with **EXHIBITS**

MEMBER GALLERY SHOW AND SALE, MAY 19 TO 21, 2023.

60 artists and 159 pieces of art

Nearly 300 attended the
opening at Capizzo Gallery on
Blue Star Highway

Thanks to John Thomas, Chair,
Anne Corlett, Susan Day
Martell, and Judy Anthrop.

• SUPPLEMENTS

- Danielle Hanna, the art teacher at Saugatuck High School works with our Treasurer to use and account for the club support given since 1971.



- **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Danielle also promotes and manages the scholarship program established in 1980. Nearly \$400,000 has been given away so far.



2023 Scholarship winners receiving their certificate



SCHOLARSHIP STORY

- The club produces two art fairs in July. Aron Lowe produces these with the assistance of our Treasurer, Bonnie Lowe. Booth fees, less expenses, go to the Scholarship Fund.
- Graduating SHS seniors can apply for a scholarship to continue their art education in an accredited school.
- Several wonderful scholarship updates can be found on our website.



July Fairs

The fairs raise scholarship funds and provide a place for members to show their work.

Waterfront Invitational and Village Square

Member booth at the Village Square Fair

Top left to right: Erin Mullis, Holly Willson, Bottom left to right: Barbara Paxton and Maya David.



Our friends at First Congregational Church providing lunches and breakfast items for vendors



57 artists in downtown Saugatuck July 1

Three generations of the Lowe women. Aron Lowe, the organizer, with her mother Bonnie and daughter Winnie...and one on the way.



A REVIEW OF
2023
PROVIDED BY
YOUR HARD-
WORKING
BOARD OF
DIRECTORS

PROGRAMS: from
October 2022 to
October of 2023





November 2022
Program, "Winter
Wanderings," hosted by Anne
Corlett

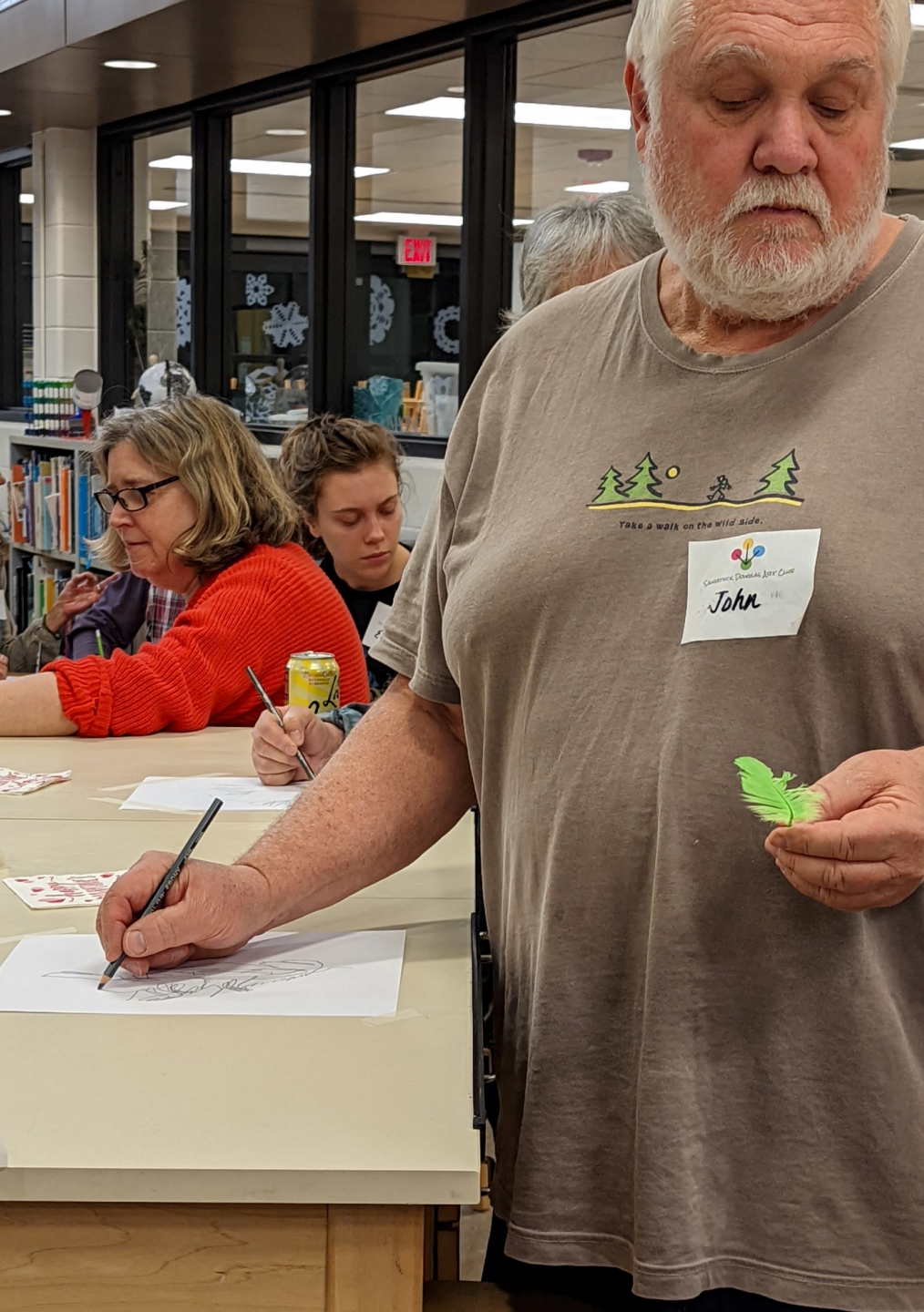
- 10 people share stories in 20 minutes with slides and narration.
- Catherine Blagdurn, top
- Kathleen Markland, left
- Neil Harvey, right





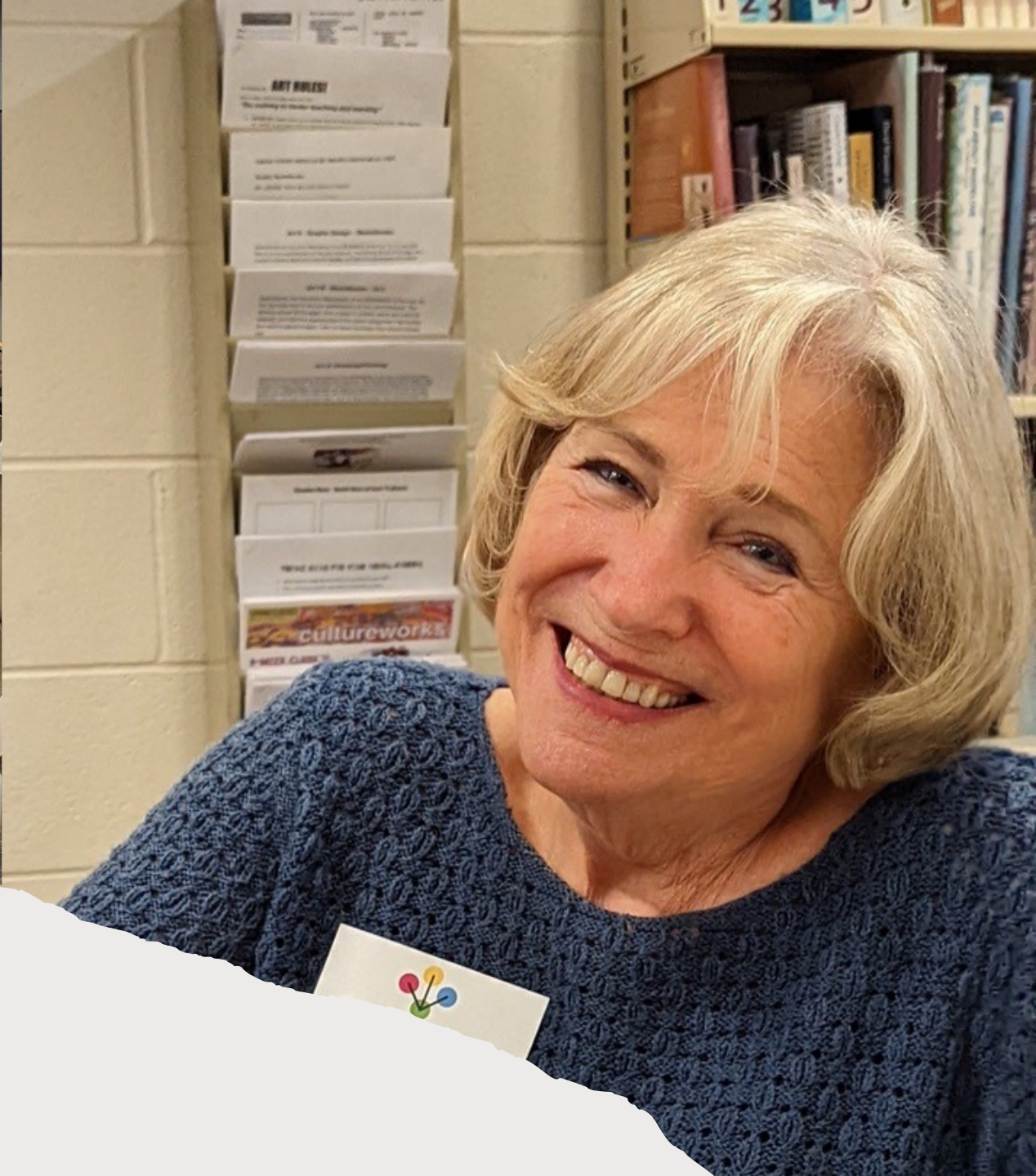
At the home of Maryjo
Lemanski...THANKS!

• December 2022 Holiday
Party



PROGRAMS 2023

- Our monthly programs vary in topic and location. They could include a hands-on experience, a lecture, or a discussion.
- The club has members who are supportive of the arts, new to art, or professional artists.
- All programs are free and open to the public. No skills necessary.
For
- **ART LOVERS AND ART CREATORS**



January Program,
"But Is It Art?", with Christa Wise



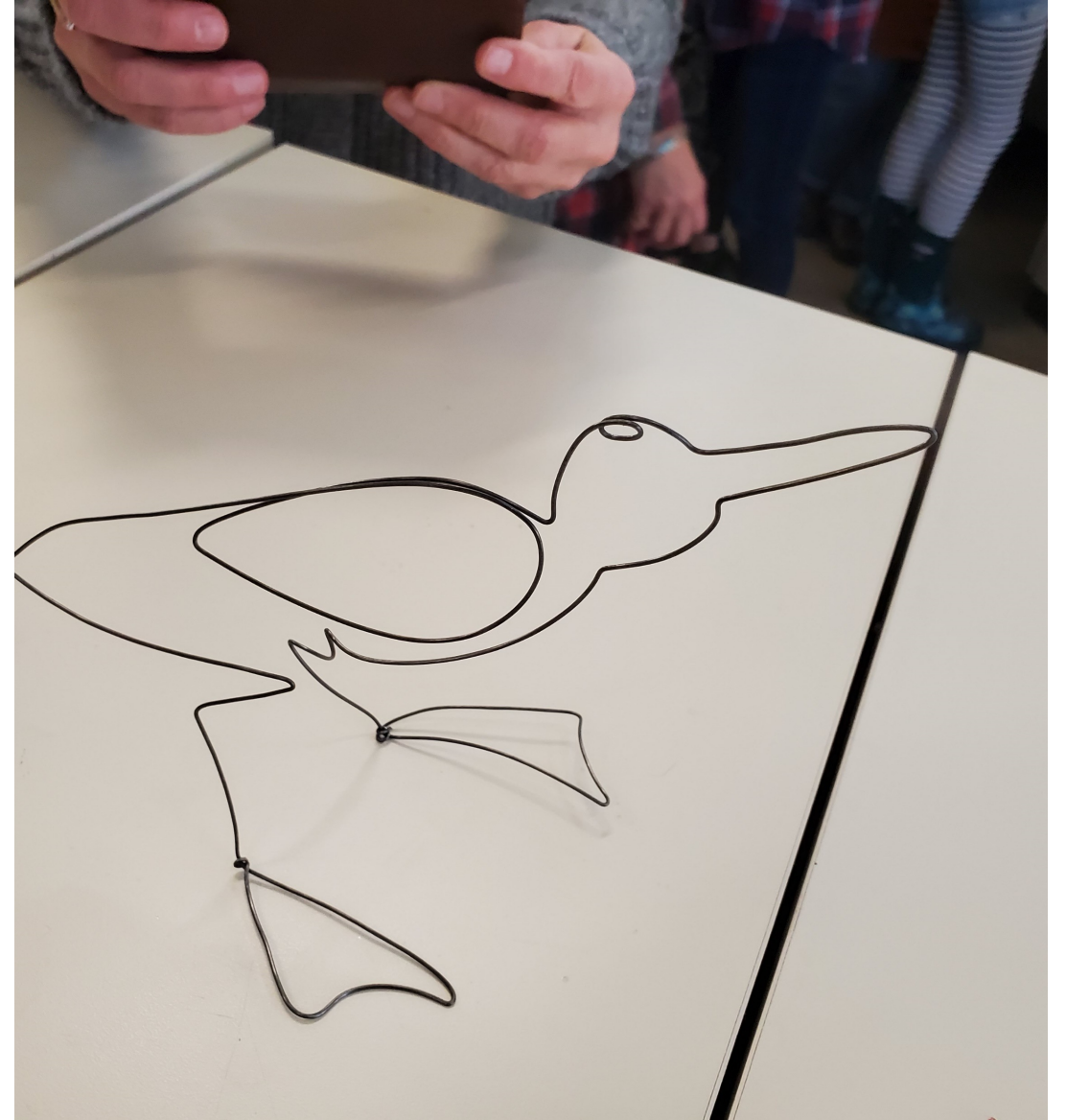
February Program

“Make Your Mark,” with Teresa O’Brien





March Program, "Drawing In Space", with Jessica Bohus



April Program, "How to Get Into a Gallery," with Juli Petter



May Program, Little Free Library with Ronna Alexander. Her daughter, Lucy, presented an update on her art scholarship work.





June Program, "Living With Art", A visit to the home of Tim and Maryjo Lemanski

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- AUGUST, Member picnic at Anne Corlett's family home



SEPTEMBER, Pleasant Hill Farm with Joan Donaldson



Fun side trips: Box Factory in South Haven



Ruth Crowe at the SCA gave a private tour for club members

ON LOCATION or Plein Air or Painting Outside



- Every Tuesday in the summer, a new location is selected to paint outside. In the winter, the Library provides free space on Thursday mornings.
- Our web site has more information.

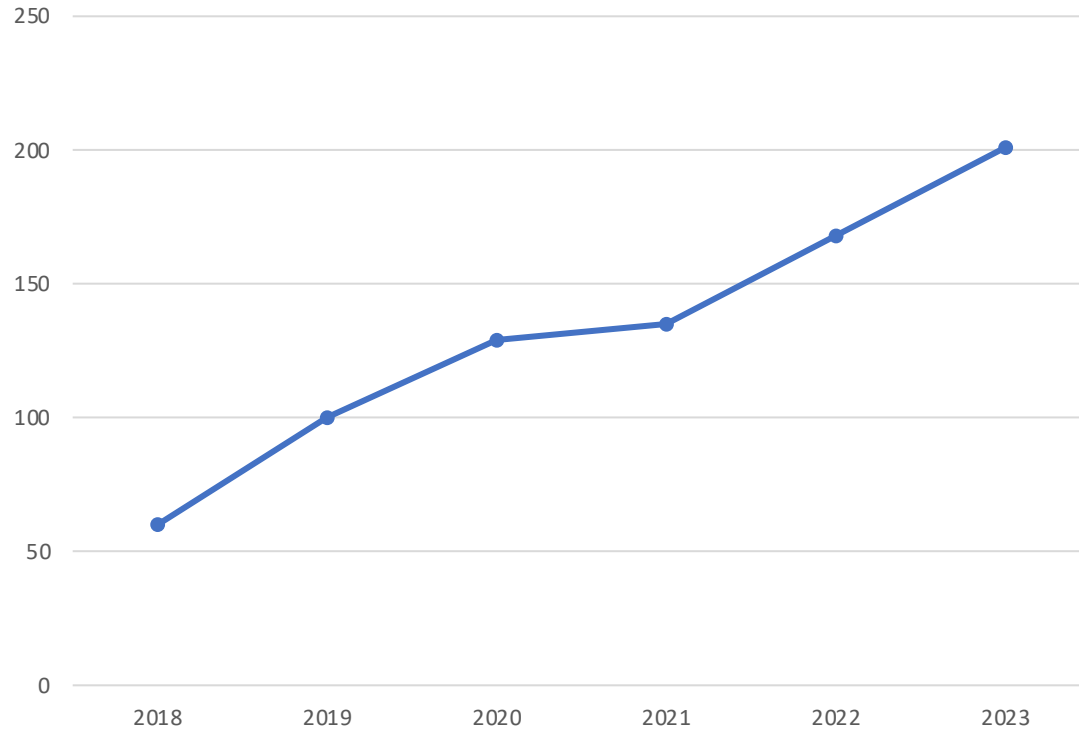


On Location or Plein Air at the Library in Winter



MEMBERSHIP now over 200

Members



Member locations

Saugatuck City /Town	40%
Douglas	20%
Fennville	15%
Holland	14%
Further east	2%
Further north	1%
Further south	8%

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024

Annie Hayes, President

John Thomas, Vice President

Mary Margaret Bonzheim, Treasurer

Anne Corlett, Secretary

Barri Rosenbluth

Open

Catherine Blagdurn

Christa Wise

Judy Anthrop

Paul Burdick

Teresa O'Brien



Mary Alice Townsend, lead on Hospitality

Gemina Petruzzelli our Graphic Designer

Sally Winthers the Web Master

Marcia Leben Flyering Coordinator, Club Pride materials, Hospitality Co-Chair

BEHIND THE SCENES, THANK YOU

Flyering crew Marcia Leben and John Maicki, Jr. Our Hospitality elves Fran Van Howe, Cat Francisco, Jan Von Ins, Sandra Hansen, and Amanda Wood.

Michaele Goers

Our new Fair
Co-Chair who
will work next
year with Aron
Lowe.

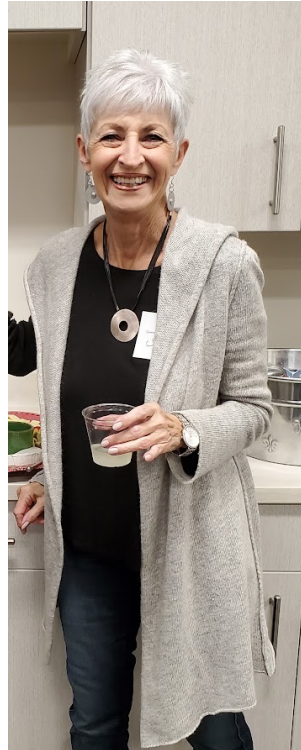


Retiring Volunteers

Many thanks to those who are completing their service to the club.



Julie Jacobussee, Club Pride materials



Susan Day Martell, Hospitality



Betsy York, President

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR BONNIE LOWE

Bonnie is retiring as Treasurer at the end of this year. Bonnie joined the Art Club Board as membership chairperson in 1999 when the art club gave a scholarship to her daughter, Addie, and she also began helping Jane VanDis and Cathy Moore as a volunteer at the summer art fairs.

In 2001, Aron, her second daughter and our current Fair Chair, also got an art club scholarship. From 2009 to 2013, she co-chaired the art fairs. In 2017 she became the club Treasurer.



Since that time, the art club went from paper and pen or pencil to a website, debit cards for the art teachers, a charge card for the club, online charges for donations, dues, picnic box lunches and fair applications. Each of these additions and upgrades not only helped the club stay current but added a bit more work to the job of Treasurer. Additionally, membership has doubled and so the entries have doubled. She has been trustworthy, competent, reliable, and a foundation to the club during this period of growth. This photo represents these qualities.

SWAG

- Contact Marcia Leben for purchases.
marcia@bumbley.com



CELEBRATING 70 YEARS

The club mug handoff



owner, cleanup planned for home

not limited to vehicles and tires. Were demolition not completed by Feb. 3, Otting was appraised, a second public hearing would be held at the Feb. 8 board meeting. At that session last week, a prospective new owner and home occupant was identified and extended time to effect the land's sale and cleanup. "As I understand," township manager Daniel De-

Franco told The Commercial Record, "Mr. Otting's grandmother owned the property and he inherited half of it through his late father. "Forrest Galecki came to own the other half," the manager went on. "He and Nick lived there till Mr. Galecki died in 2018. The status of his share became unclear. "Mr. Otting apparently believed he could run the

site as a salvage yard, but that's residential-zoned land. We've dealt with neighbor complaints since two managers ago. "The township ordered and cleaned up the property last April removing junk cars, a motor home, two motorboats, tires, mattresses and more, but it filled up with stuff again after that," DeFranco said. Gillecki's daughter Kayleena Merica, a grad-

uate student in audiology who lives in Utah, has since been identified and agreed, with help from her local contractor uncle and aunt, to assume full ownership, clean up the site and live there, said the manager. The township board, by approving the order Feb. 8, was required by state law to give the owner an additional 60 days to comply with it.

"The new owner has that time to give proof of a sale/buy agreement and clean up the property," said DeFranco. "Nick needs to sell his share and no longer live there. "The board gave them 30 more days to complete transfer title work," he said.

Here's to 70 x 2

Louise Kenney (right) was honored on her 70th birthday with this Saugatuck-Douglas Art Club 70 years commemorative coffee mug by SDAC president Betsy York. Coincidence? You decide.

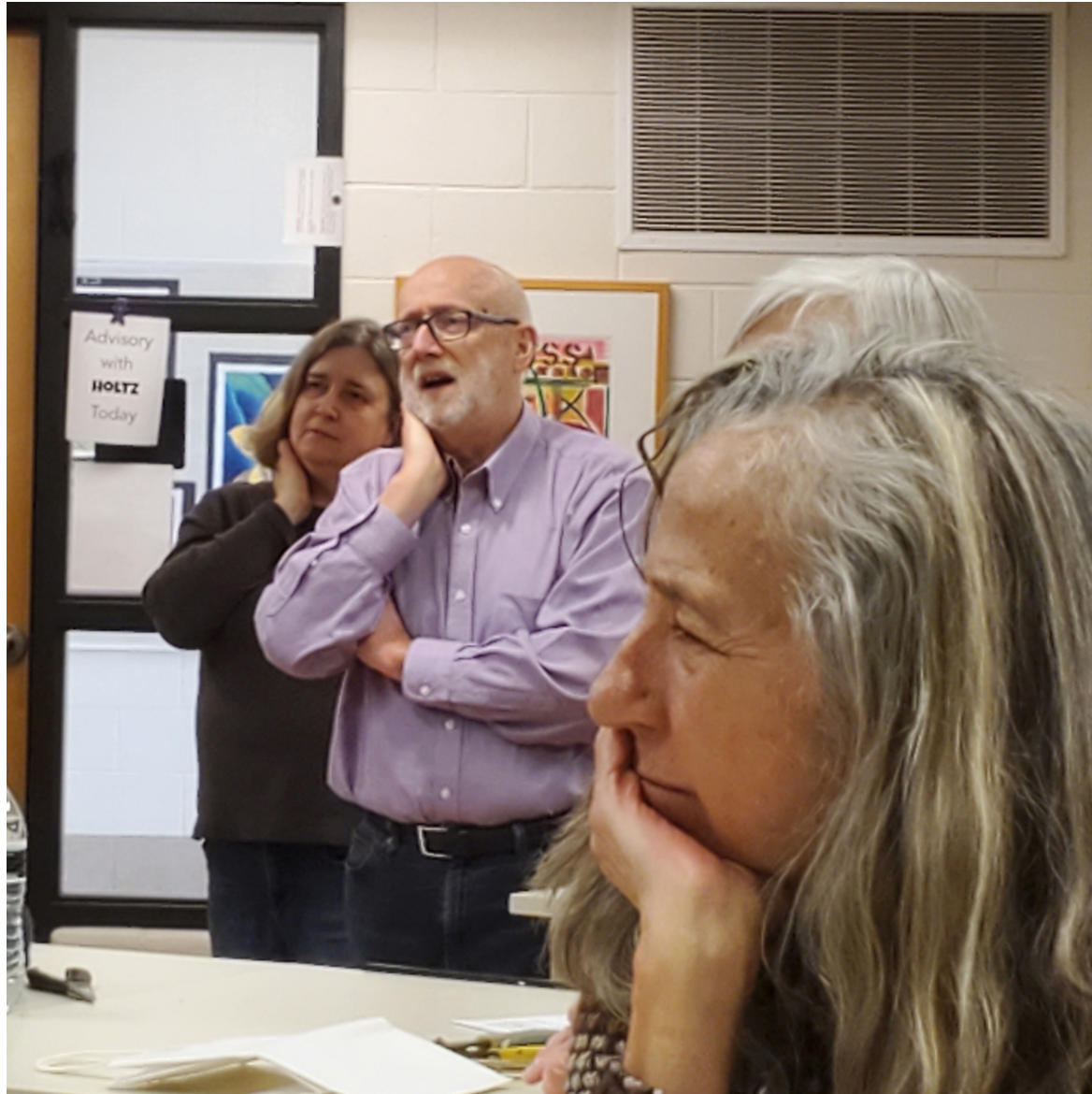


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SLIDE SHOW

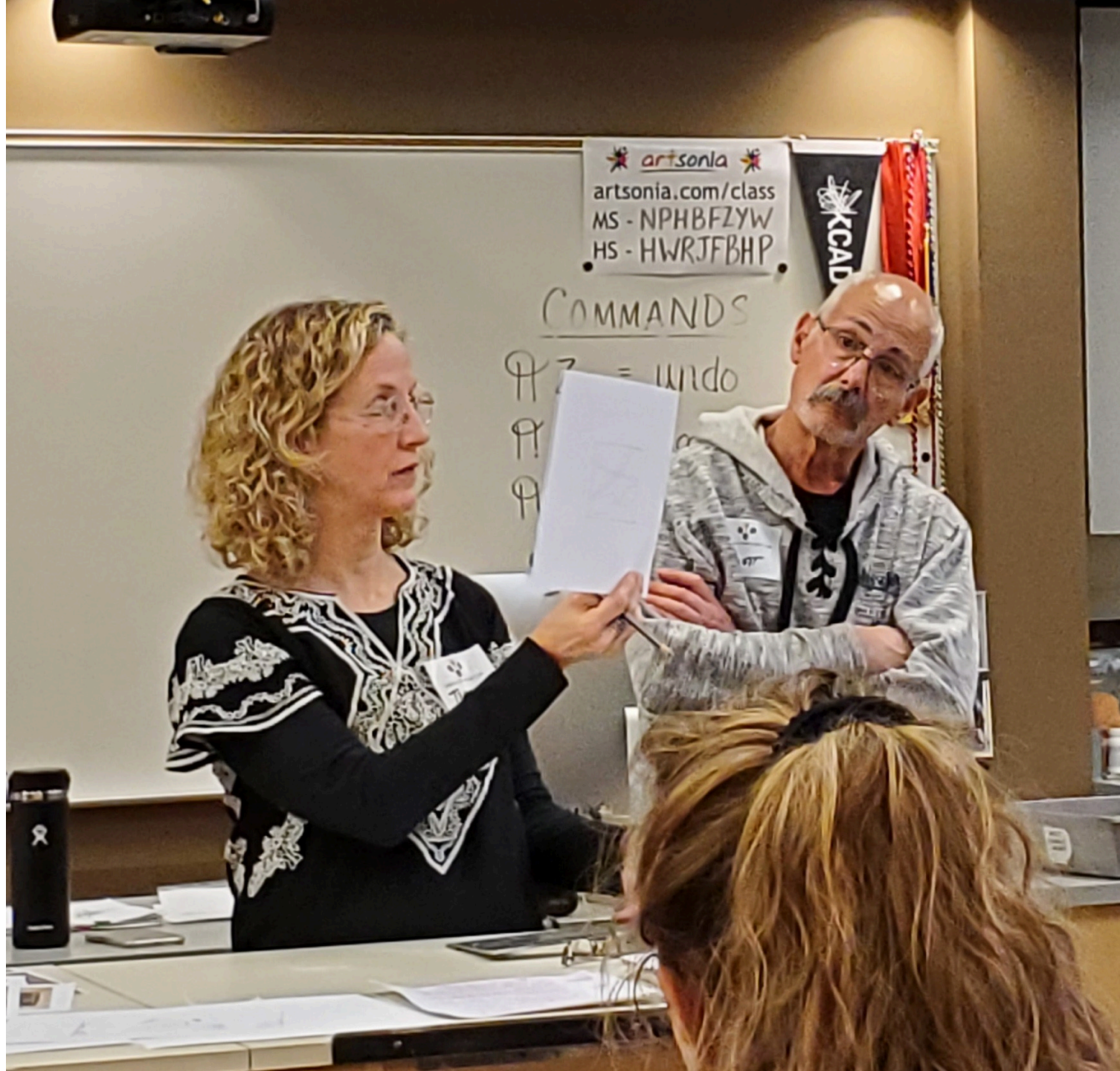












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Graphic Novels



**Plein Air
Painting**

ART SHOW
April 28 - May 19

The artwork on display was made by the SDAC Plein Air Painting group who met at the Library during the winter months.

*Artwork is not...



















THE END
THANKS FOR COMING