




Shenandoah Valley Watercolor Society

PO Box 2274, Harrisonburg, VA 22801  
August, 2015

[www.shenandoahvalleywatercolorssociety.org](http://www.shenandoahvalleywatercolorssociety.org)

 Shenandoah Valley Watercolor Society

The August 2015 meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Watercolor Society was held on Thursday, August 6 at Westside Baptist Church, Harrisonburg with 27 members and guests present. President, Donna Detrich opened the meeting and welcomed guests Patricia Yoder, Carol Farmer and Michelle. Refreshments were provided by Sheila Valtin, Jim Bomberger and Donna Detrich.

A beautiful hand-painted thank you card from Debbie Nees was shared with the membership. Treasurer, Martha Mobley gave the Treasurer's Report.

**BY-LAWS:** Two minor by-law revisions that stated that officers could be elected for three "consecutive" years in a position and that monthly meetings would include a "short business meeting" were approved by members. Members were reminded that the annual picnic would be at the November meeting and the Christmas Card Contest would be held at that time, as well as elections.

Members were asked to consider whether or not they wished to have a December meeting.

**OFFICERS:** Donna Detrich reported a need to fill four officer positions for the coming year: Workshop Co-director (2), Vice President, Director of Exhibits and Historian. Honoring an open invitation by the President, Jim Bomberger volunteered to fill the nominating committee by joining Debbie Nees and Donna Detrich to fill the nominating committee. Society members were urged to let the nominating committee know of their interests and the talents which they would be willing to offer to the Society. Election of officers will take place at the November meeting.

**WORKSHOP:** Twenty members have signed up for the August 10-13 workshop with Christopher Wynn. Payment for attendance is now due. The workshop will start each day at 9:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. The workshop leader will be available for individual help during the lunch break.

**EXHIBITS:** Director of Exhibits, Anne McFarland, gave an update on the Annual Members' Show and a clarification of the request for digital images, which would be used for publicity purposes. The use of digital images could result in avoiding the need for a professional photographer to make images of winning works of the Show. Members were asked to send cards about the Members' Show to family and friends and to take posters to place in appropriate locations to promote the Show.

Meetings are at  
7PM on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Thursday at  
Westside Baptist  
Church, 715 W  
Wolfe St.,  
Harrisonburg, VA

A short business  
meeting is followed  
by refreshments  
and a critique of  
members'  
paintings. Guests  
are always  
welcome.

### **Calendar of Events**

**Sept 3rd meeting:**  
members' critique

**2015 Annual  
Members' Show  
Juror is Nancy  
Stark**

September 19th –  
deliver paintings

September 20th  
Opening Reception  
from 2-4 PM

November 14<sup>th</sup> take  
down show

---

Anne reported that the SVWS relationship with The Joshua Wilson House is over. Anne is in negotiation with Oasis as a possible new venue. Oasis has offered space for about 10 SVWS paintings by the end of the year. Some members expressed some concern about the commission arrangements at Oasis. Discussions with Oasis about commission and other issues continues.

**GALLERY REPORTS:** Taste of Thai had sales of a painting each by Anne McFarland and Janet Kuller.

**BRUSHSTROKES:** Debbie Nees won a Best of Show at VECCA. Peg Sheridan won Second-Place at the Bath County Show and a Special Award for Landscape. She sold 2 paintings at Bath County. Martha Mobley had a design accepted and will be teaching at a decorative painting group in Pennsylvania. Janet Wright sold 2 paintings at her Etsy Store. Charles Raisner is exhibiting paintings at the Bridgewater Historical Museum.

### **2014-2015 Officers**

President	Donna Detrich	<a href="mailto:donnadetrich@gmail.com">donnadetrich@gmail.com</a>
Vice President	Anita Cooper	<a href="mailto:davidandanitacooper@gmail.com">davidandanitacooper@gmail.com</a>
Secretary/ Newsletter	Charles Raisner/ Carol Lawson	<a href="mailto:crraisn@gmail.com">crraisn@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:jimcarol2@verizon.net">jimcarol2@verizon.net</a>
Treasurer	Martha Mobley	<a href="mailto:Martha.mobley7@gmail.com">Martha.mobley7@gmail.com</a>

### **Committee Chairpersons**

Dir. of Exhibits Workshops	Anne McFarland Lois Whitecotton/ Janet Wright	<a href="mailto:AMcFARL934@aol.com">AMcFARL934@aol.com</a> <a href="mailto:Lwhitecton@yahoo.com">Lwhitecton@yahoo.com</a> <a href="mailto:JanetLeeWright@gmail.com">JanetLeeWright@gmail.com</a>
Publicity	Janet Cardwell Kuller	<a href="mailto:cardwell300@hotmail.com">cardwell300@hotmail.com</a>
Welcome	Ron McCoy	<a href="mailto:LMAC60@aol.com">LMAC60@aol.com</a>
Historian	Pat Martin	<a href="mailto:padmartin@yahoo.com">padmartin@yahoo.com</a>
Sunshine	Debbie Nees	<a href="mailto:dknees@shentel.net">dknees@shentel.net</a>
Website	Nick Terry	<a href="mailto:Nick.terry.va@gmail.com">Nick.terry.va@gmail.com</a>