

February 2009



"The Alpine Shepherds' Hut, Waiting for Spring", by Gene Ganssle

General Info

★ FCAA longtime member Bea Barry celebrated her 90th birthday recently. Her family, which included her daughter Kathleen, her nephews Tom and Geoff and their families held a surprise party, and to honor Bea, they presented the FCAA with a generous donation in her name. Congratulations, Bea and thanks to all the Barrys!

★ We recently heard from Maggie McCarthy, another member who has left Frederick but still stayed with FCAA. Maggie writes "I must admit that I do love being "home". I have two sisters and 2 brothers here in St Louis. The other 4 siblings are here in the state too. Three of our 4 children are here - our 4th is in Chicago - and our first grandchild, a girl, was born here Dec. 14. Yeah!! We are in our new house and I tell folks this address can be in permanent ink. We do love to travel, though, and Maryland will always have a special place in our family history. We hope to visit some time. Art-wise, in addition to about 8 art shows last year, I have joined 2 organizations and am on the board of one of them. I have given 2 workshops here and am giving a class this January for 6 weeks. I was even asked to judge a local show. Yeah!! Good luck FCAA and hi to everybody. Maggie"

rem: Maggie was formerly on the board of FCAA as our recording secretary. She moved to St Louis about 2 years ago and has remained an FCAA member. Her address is 1224 Talbridge Way, St Charles, MO 63303 and her email is mccarthyart@att.net

From the FCAA Treasurer:

We took quite a hit last year in our investment account (Community Foundation). Fortunately, that represents only about 1/3 of our resources and the rest is in cash. Overall, we lost about \$2,000 last year but we are still financially healthy. I have completed balancing the books for last year and if you want specifics, I will have them available at the general membership meeting Feb 9, or you can contact me directly and I will send them to you.

Thank you all for paying your dues so promptly. About half of our members actually mailed them in and many more paid during turn-in for the show. So far about 80% of our members have paid their dues which is much better than in years' past.

Jeff

Our website

<http://www.fred.net/hummer/fcaa/>

General Membership Meetings:
2nd Monday of the month, 7:30
Delaplaine Visual Arts Education
Center, 40 South Carroll St.
(except Jan., July [FCAA picnic], and Aug.)

Please NOTE * Newsletter Deadline:
the 1st Mon. of the month

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From the past-President:

I want to thank you all for your many kind comments and good wishes as I turned over the Presidency of FCAA to Patrick Hiatt. For those of you who weren't present at the December meeting (Christmas Party), we passed the reigns by administering an oath of office to Patrick, who was quite surprised by the unique duties of his new office. Thank you all very much for the gift certificate to Mealys. Jeff and I ate there on our anniversary (Jan. 6) and we had quite a good meal (the weather was really lousy. There were only a handful of people there and they all seemed to be celebrating either a birthday or anniversary). Thanks again and my best to you all.
- Barb

February 7th Exhibit Reception at the Delaplaine

The reception for the opening of our exhibit at the Delaplaine will be held from 3:00 to 5:00 on Saturday, February 7, 2009.

It has been customary in the past to ask all exhibiting artists to bring refreshments but since this is also First Saturday and many people of all ages can be expected, we implore all the artists and other willing members to bring a generous amount of refreshments.

We have encountered problems with the Health Department in the past and we are required to adhere to certain guidelines:

- No dips or anything ladled from open serving containers
- Nothing w/an egg/mayo base (some sandwiches, hors d'oeuvres and deviled eggs)
- No egg-based cream or custard fillings

SUGGESTED FINGER FOODS (small plates & napkins will be provided)

- Chips & crackers
- Dips--only if they have been placed in individual cups
- Sliced raw veggies & fruit
- Cheese slices or cubes
- Finger sandwiches (without egg)
- Pickles, olives, etc.
- Cookies, candies, small cakes, etc. (no custard fillings)
- Small items like nuts or mints should be placed in individual cups

BEVERAGES (clear plastic cups and ice will be provided)
Sodas & other nonalcoholic beverages are preferred.

We have been informed by the Delaplaine that "If your group decides to serve wine, someone has to be serving the wine and checking ID's." If you wish to bring wine, please be prepared to do this.

The tables will be set up at 2:30 in the hall outside the gallery so access to the kitchen will be awkward. The tables will be cleared at 5:00, so please reclaim your containers and leftovers at that time. If you cannot be there at 5:00, please use disposable containers or make arrangements with me. Any unclaimed leftovers will be given away or thrown away.

It is unnecessary to let us know what you are bringing but if you have questions, feel free to contact me.

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THIS WEBSITE IS FOR YOU!

Please check regularly for updates of shows, opportunities, events, etc...

<http://www.fred.net/hummer/fcaa/>

Plein Aire Painters:

If you are interested in helping to plan this year's plein aire activities, please contact Peter Plant at:

plantpet@comcast.net

I would like to conduct a meeting in February to plan for the first half of the year, and to publish the schedule ahead of time in the newsletter and the website. It should be an even better year of outdoor painting than last year, so let me know if you want to help.

- Peter Plant

Members News

Gene Ganssle, Art Exhibition at Fairhaven

FCAA member Gene Ganssle will be showing 35 oil paintings at the Fairhaven Retirement Community in Sykesville, MD, from March 1 to April 15. The paintings cover a broad range of landscapes, old buildings, and stone structures in the Middle Atlantic to the Rocky Mountain states.

Members of the FCAA and other art lovers are cordially invited to enjoy the exhibition from 9:00am to 6:00pm daily. Fairhaven is located at 7200 Third Avenue, Sykesville. For more information phone 1-410-795-8800.

Directions to Fairhaven:

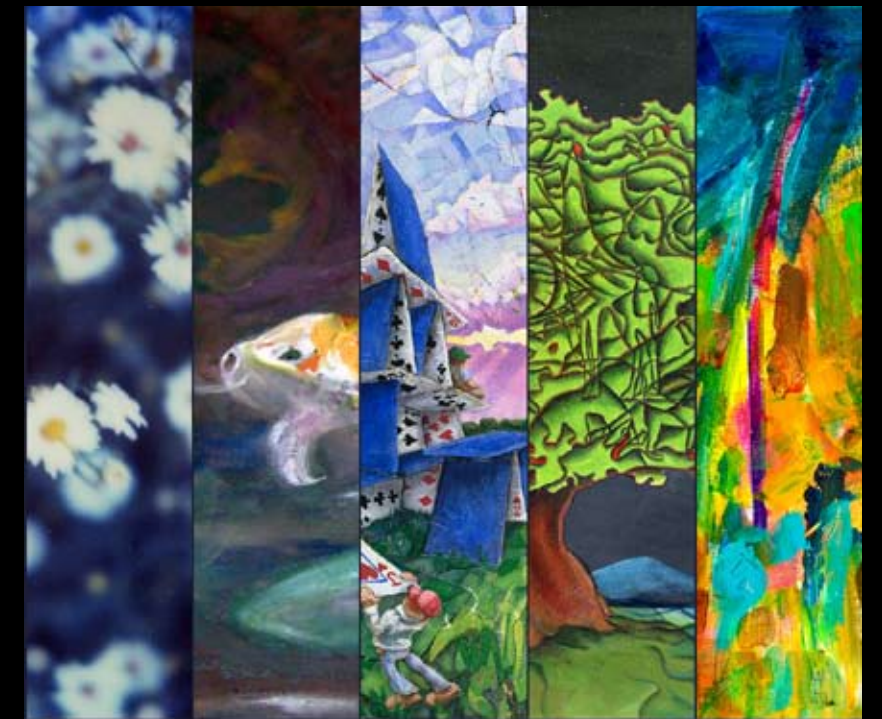
I-70 to Exit 80, Rte. 32 North toward Sykesville. North 5.4 miles on Rte 32; left at Springfield Ave. traffic light. Right onto Third Street, Right into Fairhaven. Immediate right to parking.



"A Bridge to Somewhere"
by Gene Ganssle

Welcome New Members:

Caroline Miller
Joyce Pearson
Sharon Smith
Cindy Stegle
Wayne Kell



ANNUAL STAFF SHOW

Featuring The Artwork Of:

David McGuire, Lauren Beacham,
Mary Waldhorn, Connie Schlee,
Karl Scofield, Terri Tuburgen,
& Annmarie Beacham

Saturday, February 7, 2009, 5-9pm

110 North Market St., Frederick, MD 21701
301-695-6567 - www.mcquirefinearts.com

Russ & Cindy Poole are currently exhibiting images at the Frederick County Chamber of Commerce located at 8420B Gas House Pike, Frederick, MD. The photos will remain on exhibit through February 26, 2009. To view the exhibit please make arrangements by contacting Ms. Bonnie Schultz at 301-662-5150.

Cindy Poole's photograph, "Soft Mourning" and **Russ Poole's** photograph, "The Company Store Revisited" were chosen for exhibition at the 76th Annual Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon to be held at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts in Hagerstown, Maryland.

The annual event is a juried show and for 2009 there were over 292 entries received with 56 photographs and 1 slide being accepted for the exhibition.

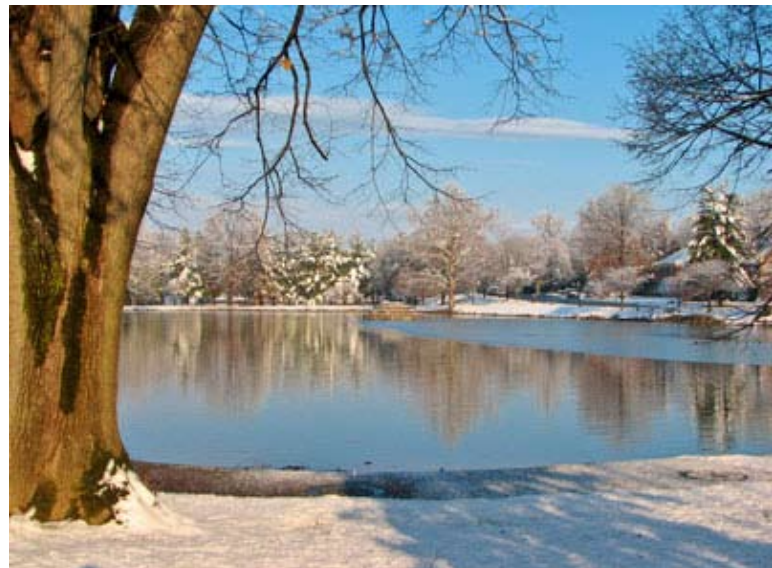
The exhibit will run from January 31, 2009 to March 22, 2009.

The exhibit reception will be held from 2:30 to 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, February 15, 2009 and the public is invited.



above: *Soft Mourning*, by **Cindy Poole**
below: *The Company Store Revisited*, by **Russ Poole**. (also exhibited at the Frederick County Chamber of Commerce).

above: *A Hometown Summer Night*, by **Russ Poole** below: *Cold but Inviting*, by **Cindy Poole**. These are two of five pieces displayed at the Frederick County Chamber of Commerce



Elza Dima at Mary Pfister's reception held on Dec. 6, 2008.



Don Dunsmore is looking down due to eye surgery a week or two before. He is now almost fully recovered from the surgery and happy to have it behind him.



(left to right) **Peter Plant, Ron Roos,** and **Tom Kozar** at the Cultural Arts Center member show. Held on December 6, 2008. **Russ & Cindy Poole** also participated in the CAC show.

FCAA Annual Holiday Party



Sean Butcher (Frederick Arts Council)



Jeff Gere administering "oath of office" to Patrick Hiatt.



Mary Pfister and Jean Frank inspecting items for the Christmas raffle



Enjoying the Christmas buffet: Bob Dawson, Ron Roos, Debbie and Harry Richardson

Patrick Hiatt (r), his artwork, and one of the many raffle winners that night.



Christmas buffet: John Katsu and Peter Plant

