

THE MUSEUM MESSENGER

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Letter from the President – Ray Rothgeb

On May 21, 2018 this community lost a friend and IHMAC lost a pillar: John Koschin. John was active and supported IHMAC in so many ways: writer, publisher, exhibit creator, architectural adviser, photography club leader, board member and more. John is and will be missed. It is with sadness that the board has been faced with filling his vacancy.

At times, finding persons to serve as working members on a volunteer board can be a formidable task. Not so with IHMAC. IHMAC has a strong, talented membership base from which to draw well qualified persons. As for John's replacement, we are pleased to announce that Leigh Beeson has been appointed to fill his unexpired term. Leigh has been active in the IHMAC photo club, assisted with our banking accounts, and is a second generation museum member. Another recent appointment was Mark Metcalf to fill a vacancy from last year. Mark brings a wealth of baseball knowledge and a desire to see the museum recognized for its preservation and presentation of area history. A third unexpired term is being filled by Steve McBride. I'm sure Steve's credentials are well known to many. In addition to his cartoon and writing talent, Steve was instrumental in the success of the "Elevate the Museum" kickoff event held in 2015. Steve brings a wealth of community service experience and renewed energy to the board. I have no doubt, that with these additions IHMAC will see great strides in filling its mission!

I would be remiss if I didn't mention progress on the elevator. Simply stated: I expect a fully functional elevator within the next 30 days. Stay tuned for a CELEBRATION!!!! IHMAC is awesome!

**BE WATCHING THE NEWSPAPERS AND YOUR EMAILS
FOR INFO ON THE GRAND OPENING OF THE ELEVATOR!**

CLEANING DAYS

If you want to help clean or work on an exhibit and an evening would work better for you, contact the office and arrangements for late hours will be made.

We have a big job ahead of us to get our Museum and Art Center ready for the Elevator Grand Opening (coming soon), the KMA conference (Nov. 7-9) and other special events coming up.

The more helpers; the easier the job will be!!!!!!

2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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VVAE WINNERS

Best of Show – Skip Kreibach

Drawing – 1st – Whitney Powell / 2nd – Lyn Kirk / HM – Whitney Powell

Oil/Acrylic – 1st – Alice Bradford / 2nd – Rick Bushnell / HM – Julie Akeman

Watercolor – 1st – Dennis Crouch / 2nd – Monte Toon / HM – Anita Wilson

3D – 1st – Wayne Sundquist / 2nd – Janelle Null / HM – Joan Allen

Mixed Media – 1st – Paul Eck / 2nd – Dee Hutchison / HM – Rick Bushnell

LUNCHEONS

The luncheons will begin again in September. Hosts have already volunteered for this next season. If anyone would like to help out in any way please call the office so you can be put on a calling list.

GALLERY USAGE

If you or your group plans to use the Gallery for any events, please check in the Office to make sure there are no conflicts.

THANK YOU!!

Thank you for all the generous donations you have brought in, the time you have spent on Museum projects and the help you have given. They are all greatly appreciated!!!!

ART CLUB – DONNA ROTHGEB

Midyear is a good time to reflect on where a group has been and where it is going. This article will concentrate on what we have done thus far in 2018. Next month, we will discuss plans for the remainder of the year. Our goal is to have at least 11 workshops in 2018.

IHMAC Artists have had one or more workshops every month except in April thus far. Steve Greenwall, our talented artist and retired teacher from Iola, just completed a four-day workshop, instructing the group how to gesso paper for a surface to draw on with pastels. This time Greenwall used water to create a watercolor-like underpainting before continuing with just pastels. Greenwall has also held one other pastel three-day workshop this year as well as an Open Studio lesson each month on the third Monday—except April. Because of the construction for the elevator, the Inge festival activities, and the Tea Party, we decided to not try anything in April. The Open Studio allows the IHMAC Artists to bring their own choice of subject matter and medium. Greenwall circulates around the class, helping each artist individually with whatever his/her needs are.

A new instructor for us this year is Rick Bushnell, a retired high school teacher from Chanute, KS. His focus this time has been on pastels as well. Rick shared with us two different pastel classes; the second one was coupled with the use of watercolor with the pastel. Rick's classes were also popular; I'm sure the group will ask him to return!

In May, the IHMAC Artists prepared a salad luncheon for the museum members on the second Friday of the month. Last week the IHMAC Artists were responsible for the Verdigris Valley Art Exhibit reception/critique and on July 6 the group will hold another reception for Steve Greenwall's demonstration which is part of both VVAE and ASTRA. You are encouraged to attend. All IHMAC members get in free. Visitors pay on \$5 for an adult museum admittance and \$3 for children. Military with ID get in free. Greenwall will be demonstrating how to create a gesso surface for pastels and how to do an underpainting and finish off the art piece with pastels. A free print by Greenwall will be taken home by some lucky attendee at this event! July 16 is Greenwall's regular Open Studio Monday.

Be watching for an article on August through December with the IHMAC Artists!

INVENTORY/PROJECT COMMITTEE – JOY BARTA

ELEVATOR COMPLETION IS NEAR!!!!!!!

Installation of the elevator is nearing completion. Assistance is needed to give your Museum a sparkling presentation. Glass cases need to be cleaned inside and out, paintings need to be carefully cleaned and rehung and some rooms need to be rebuilt. If you have an hour or two to spare and can help with this project it would be greatly appreciated. Come in whenever it is convenient. Check in the office for a list of 'to do' jobs. Thank you for your assistance and support of your Museum.



Historical Research Center – Kirsten Webster

Four of the Historical Research Center volunteers have been attending this year's meetings of the Bartlesville Genealogical Society on the second Monday evening of each month. Those attending have been Sandy Faler, Barbara Lasater, Janet Rau and Kirsten Webster. Last month Nancy Kishpaugh from the Public Library joined us.

Each meeting has opened up more new sites for tracing our ancestors. The June meeting covered international records and major ports of entry. The waves and causes of immigration to Ellis Island (New York 1897-1954) and Angel Island (San Francisco) gave us background what these ancestors went through to arrive in this country with \$25.00 required in their pockets. They had to be vaccinated and no head lice.

The July meeting in Bartlesville will be about Native American research.

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Window Cleaner
Old English – light & dark
8-9" Chinet Plates
6" Plates
Gallon Tea Bags
Plastic Storage Containers
(All Sizes)
Cookies for the Cookie Jar

Lot of helpers to Clean and
Rebuild Exhibits

Cleaning Days

To prepare for the
upcoming events we
will be cleaning every
day beginning July 5 at
9 AM.

If you have any time
you can spare to help
clean just come on in.