



# BRUSHSTROKES

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## NEW! 2020 PCAA Scholarship Recipients

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### Coming Soon:

**Our summer hiatus and Happy Painting!!**

### Next Meeting:

**Due to pandemic, the next meeting of PCAA will be October 14 (hopefully).**

### Officers & Trustees:

- Sharon Roselli - Pres.**
- Diane Raymond - Vice Pres**
- Joyce Gioeli - Treasurer**
- Laura Tiano - Secretary**
- Alice Shann - Past Pres.**
- Barbara Schmitz and Lois Brusko, Trustees**

PCAA's top priority has always been to award scholarships to 3 Martin County high school graduates each year toward helping them to achieve a college education in the visual arts.

One of the biggest thrills for members is to meet and honor these recipients in our annual May scholarship meeting. This year the meeting had to be canceled unfortunately due to the national safety guidelines for the Covid-19 pandemic.

So we are honored to introduce these three very talented graduates to you, here.

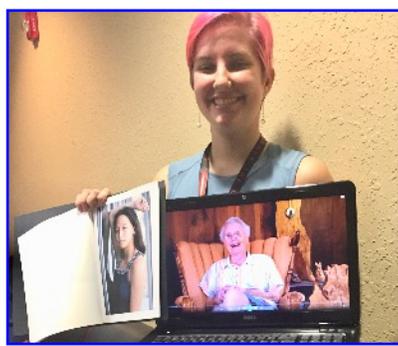
As scholarship recipients they are honorary PCAA members for the upcoming year and will be invited to participate in our annual art show with us. Thus it is our hope we will have the opportunity to get to know all of them within the coming months.

Thank you once again to the hard-working scholarship committee members, under the guidance of Chairperson, Betty Mulholland.

Congratulations to these talented 2020 PCAA scholarship winners!!



**Dina Coletti**, graduate of Jensen Beach High School, was the Winner of the Jane Blatt Memorial Scholarship.



**Samantha Lynes**, graduate of South Forks High School, was named a 2020 PCAA Scholarship recipient.



**Kristina Simon**, a 2020 graduate of the South Forks High School, was also a PCAA Scholarship Award Recipient.

## Introducing the 2020-2022 Board of Directors & Trustees

Nominating committee chair, **Betty Brain**, assembled a slate of officers to be presented in the April meeting, per bylaws. Due to the pandemic, the meeting was canceled, so the board voted to present the slate to members via email for an electronic vote. You voted unanimously “yes” to approve this new board. Here are your new officers & trustees for 2020-2022.



**Sharon Roselli, President** - is a life-long artist, real estate broker & member of many art leagues. She moved to the Treasure Coast in 2006 and joined PCAA in 2018, quickly volunteering for membership & directory committees. Sharon stepped up to serve as trustee to fill a board vacancy this last year where her organizational and technology skills have proven to be an asset.

**Diane Raymond, Vice President** - retired to Palm City after a career in Counseling & Art Therapy. She teaches children’s classes at The Nook & has been a PCAA member for years. In 2017 she volunteered for the membership and directory committee and in 2018, accepted the role of board trustee. A board vacancy later in 2018 resulted in Diane becoming Vice Pres., where she will continue to serve.



**Laura Tiano, Secretary** - joined PCAA in 2018, quickly volunteering her expert graphic design skills to create the labels for our 4 venues and annual art show. Her volunteer endeavors led her to become a board trustee in 2019, and she has now agreed to assume the many duties of the board secretary.

**Joyce Gioeli, Treasurer** - joined PCAA in 2017 and served 4 years on the scholarship committee. She brings to her new position as treasurer, the skills and experience of having worked on the Treasure Coast for the City of Stuart currently and for several small businesses here in the area of finance.



**Alice Shann, Trustee/Past president** - Per our bylaws the past president of each term serves an an important trustee role for the new board to assure continuity going forward. A member for many years, Alice looks forward to working with the new board as a liaison for our continued success in the future.

**Lois Brusko, Trustee** - For this last 2-year term, Lois volunteered as the Chairperson for the refreshments committee, scheduling members to provide snacks and water at monthly meeting. As an artist and a member for many years, Lois looks forward to the challenges of serving as a trustee.



**Barbara Schmitz, Trustee** - another life-long artist, Barbara has been a member for many years, is always willing to help and is very excited to serve as a trustee on the board through 2022.

*CONGRATULATIONS to the new board!*





## ***A Heartfelt Message from PCAA's New President***

***Sharon Roselli***

The new board assumes responsibilities in this most unprecedented time in history. We are humbled by the amazing accomplishments of our organization's 35 year history and we anticipate the many challenges we will face in our future.

Our impressive organization got its beginnings when a group of talented artists came together with the belief that promoting and nurturing our artistic colleagues and peers would lead to a support group of limitless boundaries.

Believing in these ideals, the organization grew, thanks to the efforts of all the artists, to become the premier arts organization in Palm City, one that gives us all great pride.

Despite the unprecedented challenges we now face, we will continue to thrive. We have survived crisis before, and suffered the ups and downs of the visual arts. As you know, art is always the first 'cut' to be made in uncertain economic times. However for us it has remained a constant: it is where we go to relax, create and to dream. We reflect how we feel through our brush. It is who we are. It is who we will continue to be. Throughout this pandemic, one thing is sure - art is our own therapy. Camaraderie and friendships will continue; growth in our spirit and culture will continue; and we will survive this national crisis too.

Under normal circumstances, the dues request would have already been sent. But the board understands this is a time when membership dues are not at the top of your priority list, nor are they at the top of ours. Your personal and family's health and safety is first. For this reason, the past and new board members have voted together to extend the membership dues deadline to June 30th this year. Unfortunately our bills are still coming in, just as yours are, so should you decide to make the \$35 dues payment, please send it to: PCAA, PO Box 107, Palm City, FL 34991. It will be greatly appreciated.

It is unfortunate we were unable to meet in May, but we are available should a question arise. You may reach me at 772.342.7300 or [ArtBySharonR@gmail.com](mailto:ArtBySharonR@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing everyone in October. In the interim, please be safe, stay home & healthy and create art!! Thank you for your continued support of Palm City Art Associates.

Respectfully, *Sharon*



## ***Barbara Lyons Wins the Raffle of the Steinberg Painting***



***Barbara Lyons***

***Nancy Steinberg***, an artist and a force within PCAA & our art community, served as PCAA president shortly before her 2017 passing. But her legacy and art continue to give. Recently three of her paintings were donated to PCAA by her estate and the first of the three was raffled as a fund raiser in April.

***Barbara Lyons***, left, purchased the winning ticket drawn in the raffle last month and she was thrilled and honored to hear the good news and can't wait to add the beautiful Steinberg to her collection. Thank you to all who participated in the raffle. ***Congratulations Barbara!***

## Member Highlight



It's important (and fun) to highlight the contributions of our members, but while **Connie Murgolo** is so worthy of this, she insists it's not necessary and others are more deserving. It is typical of **Connie** to side-step the attention, but the good news is that while she is leaving the board this month, she plans to continue to do the 50/50 raffle at our meetings and will continue to volunteer. **Connie Murgolo**

An artist for 20 years, **Connie**, originally from New Jersey, moved to Palm City in 1995. She joined PCAA in 2005, where she has continually volunteered. She was the Chairperson for the Annual Art Show for 5 years from 2009 - 2013. She also served as Vice President for 4 years from 2010 - 2014, when she became treasurer. She served as our treasurer for six years!! Along the way, she volunteered as the Reuben's curator too. So she is certainly deserving of our recognition. **Connie** also does a million little things that might go unnoticed, like all those posters, signs, holiday candies, banners, basket decorations, silly hats, fun name tags and keeping track of who ordered what to eat at the holiday luncheon. That is obviously very important too! Thank you so much **Connie** for all that you do for us, and we're all counting on you to continue to keep us all laughing too!! **Thank you so much, Connie! See you in October!**



## WOW! PCAA Members Have Achieved So Much

So many remarkable achievements were accomplished during this last 2-year term. This kind of dynamic progress can occur when we all work hard together! Here are a few:

- ~ Donated hanging systems for the Wellness Center & Rehab Centers' art displays
- ~ Conducted a new logo contest, and voted for a new fabulous logo
- ~ Revised our Bylaws to add clarity
- ~ Established four new display venues to show our artwork in the community
- ~ Artist Attic Sale in Dec. 2018 earned \$600. plus for the scholarship program
- ~ Broke records for Sales at the 32nd Annual Art Show
- ~ Member, Mallo Bisset named Visual Artist of the year (4th member selected for this honor)
- ~ Set up a Facebook page to enhance member communication and local presence
- ~ Developed an online version of the Directory (eliminating rising print costs)
- ~ Gift auction in Dec. 2019 raised \$600. plus for our scholarship program
- ~ Broke records for sales at Kane Center, Wellness & Rehab Centers & at Reubens thus far in 2020
- ~ Contracted a new partnership with Martin Downs Village Club & Preserve
- ~ Fully revised the PCAA Website for enhanced member communication and local awareness

This is an amazing list of accomplishments! Thank you to **every member** for your hard work, your volunteerism and your many, amazing contributions!

On a personal note, thank you for the opportunity to create Brushstrokes for the last 5 years. It's been fun creating it & getting to know each of you in the process. Laura Tiano will create Brushstrokes beginning in the fall & we all look forward to the all-new level of excitement & creativity she will bring to it. Thank you all, Patty

Thank you!



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