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LETTER TO MEMBERS

December 19, 2020

Dear GCWS Members,

Well — we are coming to the close of 2020 - it would be easier to list all the issues we have endured— but we can also look at the positive. GCWS has done a "a pretty good job " considering everything. We had successful meetings in January, February, and March! April had the postponement of the Paul Jackson workshop— but the rescheduled workshop went fine in November. (Paul Jackson told us that he had 20 of 27 workshops canceled - so I felt very fortunate to have our workshop completed). We still had some meetings through the summer months and also in September and October.

Looking forward to 2021 - we will not be able to meet in January. February is still a possibility for us. (As well as the monthly meetings for April, May, & June.) I can't believe this is any surprise for most of us.

So we will continue on! Our board will communicate with one another and attempt to provide opportunities to paint together.

Please feel free to call or email me if you have any question — or suggestions.

Jim Buchan, President, GCWS

UPDATE

December 22,2020

Green Country Watercolor Society Members,

Regarding our meetings at Pershing Studios:

I had a phone visit with Pete yesterday concerning the first 3 months of 2021. The residents approached Pete and requested that the building should be closed for at least the first 3 months (possibly longer depending on the future of vaccines and virus). I told him we had already taken steps to postpone our January meeting and would "wait and see" about February. As we all know - and should agree - this action is necessary. A small consolation - after I offered to continue to pay our monthly rent - in order to maintain our space - he said that would not be necessary!! (I said we greatly appreciate it).

As mentioned previously - we all love to paint! But at the same time - most of us are in the age group that make us a higher risk of catching this virus. WE REALLY DON'T HAVE OTHER OPTIONS AT THIS POINT.

As 2021 unfolds - we will "stay on top" of the situation and our options. It's possible that we could continue our meetings in March, April or May. "As they say, stay tuned!"

Jim Buchan, President, GCWS

December 22, 2020

Merry Christmas

2021

A photo recap of 2020 as we anticipate a fresh and wonder-filled new year!





KAY HAYS - PRESENTED AT JANUARY 2020 MEETING



JIM BUCHAN'S JANUARY WORKSHOP





FEBRUARY MEETING PROGRAM BY JO LYNCH



TERI NEIL PRESENTED AT MARCH MEETING





IVÁN ALVAREZ, OSU SCHOLARSHIP WINNER





SEPTEMBER MEETING DEMO BY JIM BUCHAN

Member's Exhibition Awards

It's a GO!

The Members show is a go go!

2020 will be remembered as a year of change! As with most artist societies, GCWS is facing challenges from the effects of the corona virus. Safety issues and the cancelation of exhibitions, forced by closed venues, have led us to join the international show trend and to transform our Annual Juried Members Show to a digital exhibition online. Our new date for the show opening is October 8, 2020.



Best of Show *Karen St. Clair*



1st Place Terri Heiman Neil



2nd Place Judy Gregg



3rd Place Cheryl Bryan



Honorable Mention Jim Buchan



Honorable Mention Dennis Crouch



Honorable Mention Teresa Herndon



Honorable Mention



ANNUAL MEMBER'S EXHIBIT WINNERS RECEIVED AWARDS AT OCTOBER MEETING.



SHOW YOUR SMALLS AT GRANT'S FRAMES







CHERYL BRYAN AND AMY JENKINS PRESENTATION AT OCTOBER MEETING



PAINTING SESSION WITH JIM BUCHAN



PAUL JACKSON WORKSHOP



Merry Christmas 2020

Jim Buchan, GCWS President, has painted a custom Christmas card for more than 20 years. Jim also teaches a half-day Christmas card workshop each year for GCWS members.

Here is his card for 2020.

2021

New is the year, new are the hopes, new is the resolution, new are the spirits, and new are warm wishes for each and every one. Have a glorious and fulfilling New Year!

2020 GCWS Officers, Chairs and Positions:

President: *Jim Buchan*Treasurer: *Carol Mullen*Secretary: *Jo Ann Krueger*

Vice President, Shows: Jim Owens & Teresa Herndon
Vice President, Workshops: _____*

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Communications Chair: Teresa Herndon

Library Chair: Judy Gregg Programs Chair: Jim Buchan Raffle Chair: Linda Behnken Newsletter: Dennis Crouch Facebook: Claire Tosh

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Name tags: Sherry Grainger

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Show Awards: Jeanette Hooks & Teri Neil

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