



# Illiana Artists

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## November / December 2011 Newsletter Meeting Schedule

### 2011 Schedule

- December 12  
*Pizza Party*

### 2012 Schedule

- February 13
- March 12
- April 9
- May 14
- June 11  
(Pot Luck)

## *Holiday Celebration and Pizza Party*

*December 12 • 6:30 pm*

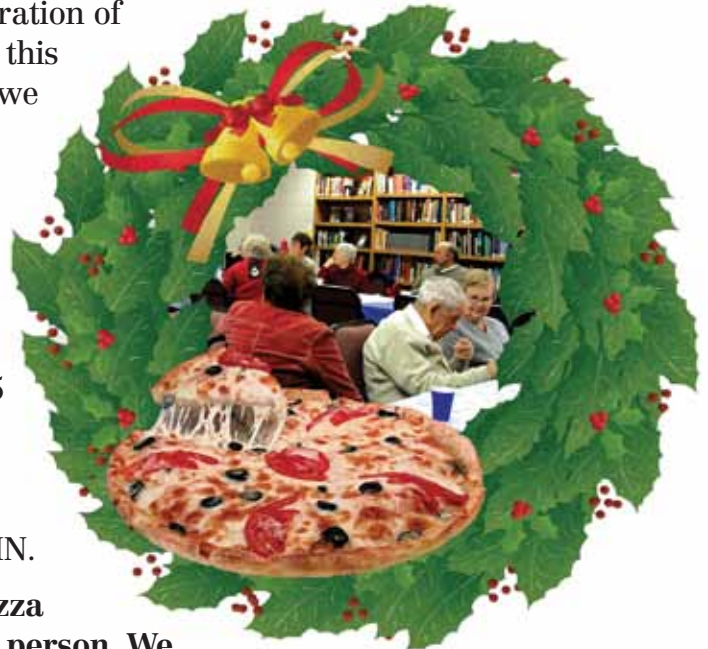
Join us for a celebration of family and friends this holiday season as we wrap up another wonderful year!

Our holiday party will take place at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Room 305 (may relocate to another room) 8955 Columbia Avenue, Munster, IN.

The cost of the pizza party is \$5.00 per person. We ask that you bring a yummy salad or dessert for a wider variety of dishes. Coffee will be served.

If you plan on attending the party, please call Pat Hansen at 708-849-7309 or email Pat at patinsosub@juno.com and specify your pizza topping preference of meat or vegetable.

Cheers!



### **October 10th Meeting Wrap Up**

Group Sketching Session  
Held with member modeling participation.

### **November 14th Meeting Wrap Up**

Motion passed to budget remaining demonstration reserves on an adjusted scale through Sept. 2012.

## In Memory of Eve Rice

IA member Eve Rice was diagnosed with Esophageal Cancer this past year and may have won her battle only to pass on earlier this year. Eve was a talented artist whose cheery smile and warm presence will be missed by all whose lives she touched through art and spirit.



## Note from George Millet

The Elkhart Midwest Museum of American Art has its 33rd Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibit this year and two of my pieces were juried

and accepted into the exhibit which is AWESOME. The jurors were from Kentucky and their statements can be read here <http://midwestmuseum.us/elkhart-juried-regional>

The exhibition, is October 7 thru December 4, 2011. This all-media competition is open to artists 18 years and older who are residents of Allen, DeKalb, Elkhart, Fulton, Jasper, Kosciusko, Lake, LaGrange, LaPorte, Marshall, Newton, Noble, Porter, Pulaski, St. Joseph, Starke, Steuben or Whitley counties in Indiana and Berrien, Branch, Cass, or St. Joseph counties in Michigan.



Please keep in mind that Elkhart is on Eastern Standard Time (EST) so if you plan to attend adjust your time accordingly. This show is well worth the trip to check it out. There are amazing pieces in this exhibit since it is open to a large region of Indiana and 4 counties in Michigan.

If you go for the day there is a lot to do. We can recommend "The Vine" for food and libations and "The Lerner" Theater has many live performances that you might like to attend. You can see what's playing here..... <http://www.thelerner.com>

I will also be participating in the The Kouts Christmas Open House December 3rd and 4th. Information can be found at [http://www.koutsindiana.org/events\\_christmasopenhouse.php](http://www.koutsindiana.org/events_christmasopenhouse.php)

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Yours in Art,

Kathi and George Millet

## Congratulations!

### Beverley Topa and Joanne Rayter

Published in "From the Edge of the Prairie", 2011 Ed. Our Illiana Artist members Beverley Topa and Joanne Rayter are featured in the literary publication published by the Prairie Writers Guild, of Rensselaer, Indiana.

Beverley Topa's painting, *Catskill Dreaming*, oil on canvas, graced the flyleaf in the introductory section. Also published in this year's edition was Beverley's poem, *Apricot Dreams*, as well as her short story, *Smoke Screens*.

Joanne Rayter had four oil paintings included: *Winter Whispers*, *Blaze of Glory*, *Got Nuts*, and *Hidden Gem*. Each of Joanne's paintings accompanied a poem or short story by one of this year's featured writers.



Janet Sturgill, *A Day at the Dunes*

## Winners Announced

### Hobart Arts League's 5th Annual Juried Art Exhibit

The reception and presentation of awards took place on Saturday, October 15, 2011.

**Best of Show**  
Illiana Artist Member  
Janet Sturgill  
*A Day at the Dunes*

**First Place**  
Illiana Artist Member  
Gina Femrite  
*Gala at the Baker Mansion*

**Second Place**  
John Sowles  
*The Scribe*

**Third Place**  
Gerrie Govert  
*After School Practice*

**Honorable Mention**  
Kathleen McQuillan  
*In the Shade*

**Honorable Mention**  
Laurie Baumgart  
*Shadow*

**Honorable Mention**  
Illiana Artist Member  
Beverley Topa  
*Magdalene*

**Merit Award**  
Gerrie Govert  
*Washington Island*

**Merit Award**  
Illiana Artist Member  
George Millett  
*Fisherman at Dusk*

## November's Sketching / Drawing Session

### Thank You to All Who Participated!

Drawings from our members below.



# It's A Wrap!



Submitted by:  
Pat Hansen, Chairman

## 13th Regional Exhibition August 27 - September 26, 2011

Out of 99 very talented artists who entered their work, 57 were chosen to exhibit. Their work included glass, mixed media, oil, pastel, pencil, photography, sculpture, and watercolor. Many Illiana Artists were included in the exhibit and were among the award winners. The First Place award went to Tom Brand, who had presented a program for us last Spring. The Second Place award went to Doris, Myers, a former member of Illiana Artists and Third Place to Mary Ann Gradisher, also a former member. Among Illiana Artists' members receiving Honorable Mentions were Rita Berg and Kathy Los Rathburn. I am also pleased to announce that 3 paintings were sold at 20% going to the Chesterton Art Center. Those who sold were Doris Meyes, *Waiting for Spring*, \$800, Gina Femrite, *Winter Holiday* Hobard, \$690 (Gina is a new IA member) and Kathy Los Rathburn, *Path to Fall Dunes*, \$250. Seasons Rule! In spite of getting off to a rough start, "All's well that ends well". The consensus was that it was a good show.

