



October 2021
Newsletter

President's Message

As expected, Mother Nature is preparing her color palette for fall's spectacular extravaganza. Pumpkins, gourds and Halloween decorations are popping up everywhere and this past September 8th, our Women's Committee enjoyed our first program/luncheon of the season and it was a huge success! Ms. Cannavino was very informative and entertaining, to say the least, to the 71 in attendance. What fun!!

After a very tasty lunch, our guest performer obliged us by drawing the winning ticket for the 50/50 raffle and the lucky winner was **Bea Woidtke**. Congratulations Bea! Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets.

Seeing everyone again was delightful and we are looking forward to the next program/luncheon on October 13th which will feature the very talented, high school dance students of the Fine Arts Association, who will demonstrate multiple genres. So please, make your reservations to anthonyjanem@yahoo.com or call Jane Anthony at 440-579-5020 by noon, October 8th. Jane will confirm all reservations. If you do not receive a confirmation, you do not have a reservation. We remain under a mask mandate except while dining, so thank you for your cooperation.

Membership booklets will be available this month and in November for pick up. Be sure to check that the information you provided is listed correctly.

See you in October,

Karen Pribula



“As long as autumn lasts, I shall not have hands, canvas and colors enough to paint the beautiful things I see.”

- Vincent Van Gogh



The Second Wednesday Program/Luncheon Series

October 13th, 2021 @ 11 a.m.

“Dance, Dance, Dance”

Come and enjoy premier Fine Arts Association high school students as they highlight multiple genres of dance such as tap, ballet, hip hop, jazz and contemporary dance. A real treat!!

RSVP Deadline is: Noon on Friday, October 8th

A friendly reminder: Program and luncheon reservations are required!

The preferred method is to email anthonyjanem@yahoo.com. Your email reservation will be confirmed by Jane Anthony. Phone reservations can be made by calling 440-579-5020. Program only reservations are encouraged, however walk-ins are always welcome.

\$15 for members. \$18 for nonmembers

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE



You will enjoy an individual Mini Meatloaf wrapped in bacon and served with mashed potato and gravy. Normandy vegetable blend and garlic rolls will accompany your meal. Dessert will be jello shooters!

Catering is by Dave Baker at Manna Catering. His Manna Café is at 1821 N. Ridge Rd., Painesville. Open: 7am-2pm
Tues-Sun

Thank you to the Hostesses for October

Marilyn Scott, Chair Rosemarie Fedeli Kathy Whan-Marko

We are in need of volunteers to help set up before each luncheon!

We can use at least one more helper each month, as well as those willing to sub at short notice.

Please see me or call to volunteer

Susan M Miller, Hospitality Chair 440-479-9195



Membership Committee



Your 2021-2022 membership booklets are ready to pick up at the October and November programs. Please check to see if your information is correct. Send any corrections to Pat Bonander at waterworksbyapat@gmail.com.

Membership Booklets

Our apologies for omitting **Beth Casella** as a LIFE MEMBER.

Welcome

A warm welcome to our newest member

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For your convenience, you can put the attached label in the blank page at the back of your roster.

A Sneak Peak

November 10th
"A Doris Day Retrospect"

December 5th, 2021
Holiday Benefit

Once again we are asking our generous members to supply items for the **SILENT AUCTION**. Suggestions are: gift cards, event tickets, seasonal gifts, anything new or in great condition that our guests won't be able to resist! We cannot use collectible plates or paintings.

Any donation can be brought to any meeting in September, October or November. They can also be dropped off at the Fine Arts Association anytime during their hours of operation.

The committee is requesting that members bring donated bottles of wine for our **WINE PULL** to the October and November meetings. The value of the wine should be at least \$15/bottle. Roberta Lucia will collect your donations at the meetings.

Let's make this fundraiser a huge success and continue to promote the arts in our community!!

Remember the Why

One of the more enjoyable opportunities I have had since I came to FAA in January of 2019 was participating in the organization's recently completed Strategic Planning process. It began in the fall of 2019 but was extended through spring of 2021 due to COVID. Looking back, I am grateful that we had to juggle moving the plan forward at the same time as we experienced shutdowns, virtual learning and performances, significant loss of revenue, etc. Unknown to most, the past two years have been two of the hardest years FAA has ever been through and I am so proud of our Women's Committee, our board, faculty, and most of all, our staff, for hanging in there and doing whatever it took to keep FAA on point and our mission alive.

In every phase of life, challenges and change will come. Yet, the most important ingredient we can have to lead us through such times is a sense of continuing purpose sustained through resolve. That purpose is sometimes referred to as our "why." Why did we start down this road? Why is it important that our work continues? Why is it worth the continual hard work and sacrifice that success always requires?

The "Why" for the Fine Arts Association has always been about more than art lessons, classes and performance. It has been about elevating the lives and experience of people through the creation and discovery of beauty through the arts. Having to work through the challenges of COVID helped us remember why we were here. It made us focus on reaching students in any way we could. It helped remove some of the sacred cows we so often invent and hold on to so that all that was left was a larger vision, a renewed sense of mission, and a deeper commitment to our values.

My hope for each of us is that we will renew our commitment to the "Why" of the Women's Committee and the Fine Arts Association. Support, attend, and bring a friend!

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Paul Holm, CEO