

# TEAM SE REGION



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## PRESIDENTS COMMENTS

**JUNE.... ALREADY? OH NO, half the year already gone? Heads are swimming with all the graduations, vacation plans, gardening, exercises, visiting family, FATHER'S DAY, and summer starting, and so much more... How did this year slip away so fast? We will have to make up for all the things we planned to do and accomplish this year. Did you get your unfinished paintings completed, come up with new ideas and techniques yet? I guess we are all working on these things that get pushed back until...?**

**We'll get those cameras out and get some new photos to incorporate in a new painting or add to an older work. With all the colors of the trees and flowers and lush green of the meadows and fields, there should be plenty of inspiration. Maybe you will be fortunate to catch a one of a kind photo of some wildlife or special view. Those glorious sun rises and sun sets always inspire me, especially if there is a silhouette of something interesting in the foreground. Rivers and streams, and little creeks with water swirling around the banks and rippling over rocks forming small water falls, producing the bubbling sounds will excite any artist or photographer. The waves lapping along the shore create a rhythm that caresses the nerves and calms the spirit as well as stimulate a desire to paint the scene that lies out before you. Get down close and take photos to paint of part of a subject or flower to get a new view, an abstract, or a non-objective composition. The Great Creator has displayed His Wondrous works, and put a desire in us to copy the beauty of His world around us. What a wonderful legacy to be able to put on paper or canvas this beauty. Another more satisfying step is to be able to teach someone else to paint and learn to see beauty of color, value, and composition.**

## ST. SIMONS MEETING TIME, 2016....

**WE MUST PLAN FOR THE ST. SIMONS MEETING MARCH 31 TO APRIL 4, 2016. WE JUST ACQUIRED THESE DATES AND LOOK FORWARD TO A GRAND OLD TIME WITH THE THEME OF THE "ROARIN' 20s". Mark it on your calendar now....**



## FREE ON LINE PACKETS.

**WE offer free on line lesson packets available only to paid members. Contact Fran Walker for the password. We need more packets donated to put online! So if you have a packet you can share they can be sent directly to Harold as a PDF or Word file attached to an email. I really feel this maintains some memberships.**

## 2015 DUES

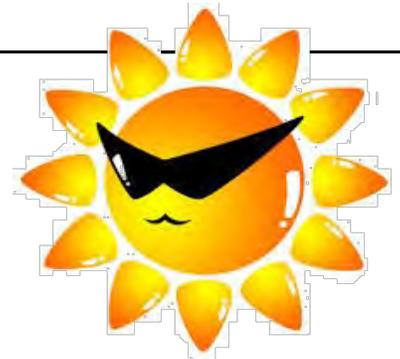
**Time to pay your 2015 dues. We want to keep you as a member, but after May we will be removing the names of those who have not paid. This means loss of teacher TEAM webpages and newsletters. Hope to hear from you, Always, Fran Walker, Treasurer SE Region 1003 Sonata Lane, Apollo Beach, FL [franwalk@verizon.net](mailto:franwalk@verizon.net)**

**Pray for those that have been hurt and sick. Happy painting,  
Gloria, TEAM SE Regional leader,**



# SUNSHINE CORNER

By  
Helen  
Blair



"Spring brings a tough act to follow...God created June."  
Al Bernstein (American Actor)

## June Dates to remember:

Father's Day - June 21  
D-Day landing by Allied Forces, WWII - June 6, 1944

Flag Day - June 14



Happy  
Father's  
Day



## July Birthday:

Vickie Nail - 7/2

Debbie Faucette - 7/3

Beverly Bennett - 7/4

Lydia Keller - 7/5

Debbie Nees - 7/11

Edward Timmins - 7/11

Marjorie Harris Clark - 7/23

## June Birthdays:

Bill Rayle - 6/5

Matthew Fulkerson - 6/6

Linda Dunn - 6/25

Paul Clements - 6/26



## July Anniversary:

Lisa & bob Grinter - 7/2

Debbie & Dave Nees - 7/11

Tony & Tina Carchia - 7/18

Diana & John Marcinka -  
7/30/60

Bonnie & Richard Phillips -  
7/31/60



## June Anniversaries:

Frank & Mary Mobius—6/4

Ann & Terry Dunlap—6/8/91

Nicki & John Romberger-6/23

Elaine & Robert Harris-6/25/88

"Always end the day with a positive thought - No matter how hard things were—  
Tomorrow's a fresh opportunity to make it better."

## Circle of Concern:

To all our shut-ins and all that experience the usual respiratory problems this time of the year, our thoughts and prayers are with you! May God's blessings surround you each day along the highways and byways, and most of all at home.



## HOORAY FOR DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Digital photography has put cameras and smart phone photography in the hands of almost everyone. I remember carrying a big camera bag with 2 or 3 SLR expensive camera bodies, 3 various lenses, filters, gadgets, and rolls and rolls of film. With me, the more the settings and controls, the easier to forget something and mess up and this is still true with serious photographers.



I stumbled along with all this heavy equipment hanging until it got so my shoulder would ache after going out to shoot photos. Costs of all this was astronomical, especially then adding the cost of taking rolls and rolls of film in to be developed. The long wait to see if it turned out was too much. Waiting to see if I missed the shot, blurred it, got light struck, too dark, too light, composition off, whatever could go wrong, and hopefully I got one or two good shots was either a happy or disappointing adventure. I am thankful to have had access to the many photos and memories I do have thru the years. I also had my own dark room and did some printing, with most of the results less than satisfactory. All the variables of developing, chemicals, time, and temperature was critical and often a waste of time and expense.

I left that all behind and went to the smallest hand held camera only inches big and I can carry 2 of them in my purse. Telephones can do the same thing and both also take videos. It is so much smarter and accurate than me, so I let it do the thinking and with a computer program, it is so much easier and corrects many of my errors. What a relief. The expense of film is GONE... You can take all the photos you want, download or delete them and use the chip over and over. You see immediately what you have taken and retake if necessary. WOW, how good is that? I do miss some of the aspects of the variation of photography, yes, especially macro-photography which I love, but I can get most of what I want with my little inexpensive "PHD" (PUSH HERE DUMMY) digital camera and the computer. I am happy. More expensive digital SLR cameras have better resolution more controls, better quality, but I do very well without it. I don't even bother to set the resolution to higher quality and just POINT AND SHOOT. It is sufficient to me for what I need. Many of the photos seen here in our newsletters were taken with the simple little camera. It is very wise to make CD backup discs of photos you do not wish to lose as computers and phones are a bit temperamental and crash without warning. I am still working on learning to use the computer, that isn't so simple. Remember that photos are to be reference material, and when painting can be combined, subjects moved or eliminated, colors and values changed, giving you a great advantage over the original photos.

Gloria.

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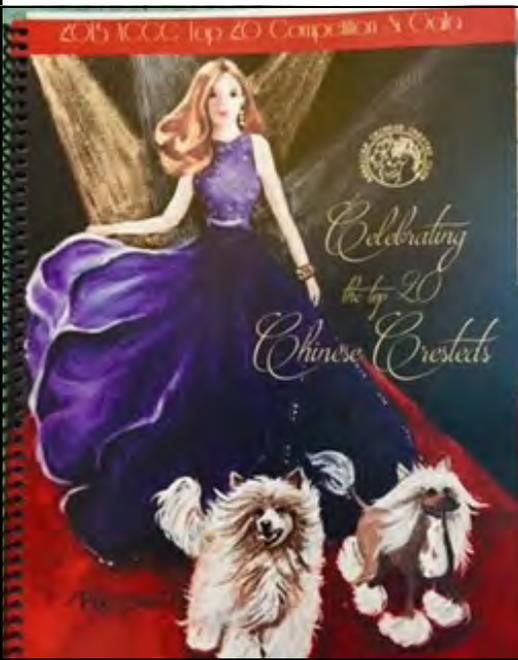
IT TAKES A GROUP EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A PERFECT PHOTO. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WERE THERE AND ESPECIALLY TO HAROLD, OUR CHEERFUL PHOTOGRAPHER.

**START PLANNING TO JOIN US AGAIN NEXT YEAR**



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT      Terri Clements

As a long time lover of dogs and especially Chinese Cresteds, I was honored and tickled to be asked to create a 'Red Carpet' themed painting as part of the prizes given at the National Chinese Crested Club Top 20 Gala. This year the 5 day National Show was held closer than ever, in Greensboro, NC, and was my first time to attend this huge event. My painting was also used as the full cover of the evenings program guide, and individual matted prints were handed out to the top 20 Cresteds' owners or handlers. I also created an image of a pair of the breed for etching onto Champagne flutes. They were filled with Champagne and handed out to each of the 80 participants as we entered the formal affair. The decorations and dinner were first class and the evenings competition and activities were truly exciting. Lara, the Gala Chairperson, was such a delight to work with and she had me stand for recognition and applause. A truly memorable evening.



WE LONG TO HEAR OF ALL YOUR ARTISTIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS TOO, SO SEND YOUR STORIES AND PHOTOS TO GLORIA [gloriastegman@juno.com](mailto:gloriastegman@juno.com)

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