

EDITORIAL

For the Love of Art

It never ceases to amaze me what some individuals will do for the love of art. The power of art is like no other. Some people will devote their entire lives to the creation of it. Other people devote their entire lives to supporting the arts. Last month we lost two people who loved art with this much passion.

Our community is shocked and saddened by the loss of Grace McMaster and Bill Darling. Art needs individuals and the community to create it and share it. One without the other is like a forest without trees or a beach without sand. These two individuals will be deeply missed in the community of art which they have contributed to in exemplary ways. In fact, even after their transition, they want to continue giving to the art world.

Donations may be made in Bill Darling's name to the Gualala Arts Chamber Music Series that he supported so passionately. A grant from the Sonoma County Community Foundation will be carried out in his honor this year. This is a music-in-the-schools grant designed to bring classical music to elementary students.

Grace McMaster wishes donations in her name to be made to the Mendocino Community Foundation for youth scholarships to assist in careers in art.

The members of Gualala Arts and I are saddened by the passing of these two art heroes, but are inspired to carry on the love of art they both so eloquently lived.

*David 'Sus' Susalla
Executive Director*



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That white envelope you had to wrestle from the staple that got this issue through the post office to you contains your raffle tickets for the Festival of Trees.

Again this year one of the decorated trees will be given to the lucky holder of the winning ticket. This tree, called the Shopper's Extravaganza, is covered with gift certificates donated by shops and merchants from throughout the Redwood Coast community. They have given these gifts, valued at over \$500, to encourage you to purchase raffle tickets as a fun way of lending your support to Gualala Arts.

Tickets are \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 7 for \$10, and 15 for \$20. A book of 15 tickets is included here with a return envelope for your convenience. More tickets are available at the Dolphin or from the office, or you can purchase them by telephone with a credit card. Hint: Buy tickets and put the names of your friends or children on them. Drawing will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 26. You need not be present to win.

Thank You

One more very special thank you to the chairpersons of the many committees it took to make this year's Art in the Redwoods such a success.

Accounting: **Liz Redfield**; Artist Vendor Booths: **Scott Chieffo**; Artist Vendor Hospitality: **Bruce Jones**; BBQ: **Jim Grenwelge**; Beverage Booth: **Lions - Jack Vore**; Booth Set-up: **Ben Klagenberg**; Champagne Preview: **GW Dodds**; Clean up: **GA Board of Directors**; Data Entry: **Dorothy Ruef**; Dinner: **Savory Coast**; Dinner Decor: **Carol Tacket & Mendonoma Woodworkers**; Dinner Set-up: **Harriet Wright**; Dinner Servers: **High School Students**; Docent/Sales: **Harriet Wright**; Entertainment: **Liz Redfield**; Entrance/Membership: **Annie Brayer**; Food Tickets: **Barry Semegran**; First Aid: **Gretchen & Ted Chapler**; Grand Chair: **David Sus Susalla**; Hanging Team: **Sonya & Dick Haley, Ken & Jeannie Holmes, CE Brown, Jerry Erickson, Jim Grenwelge, Bruce Jones**; Landscaping: **Art Dreyer**; Logo: **Duane Gordon**; Judges/Ribbons: **Lee Kosso**; Kids Crafts: **Action Network & Maria Linker**; Merchandise: **Nancy Spencer**; Office: **Nancy Spencer**; Painting: **Barbara Pratt**; Parking: **Phil & Lynne Atkins**; Programs: **Barbara Pratt & ICO**; Publicity: **Barbara Pratt**; Quilt Raffle: **Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild & Joyce Gaudet**; Receive Art: **Lee Kosso**; Sandwich/Salad Station: **Paddy Batchelder**; *Sketches*: **Jane Reichhold**; Sweet Shop: **Lynda & Gary O'Brien**; Take Down: **Harriet Wright**; Trash/Recycling: **Chad DeGarmo**.

Our apologies to any chairpersons not mentioned!

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