

# When all is said...



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## Original art enlivens horse show, hospital

Art shows up in the strangest places these days. It's a sign that original works by artists and craftsmen are gradually working their way into the mainstream of everyday life.

Last weekend, an exhibition of paintings by West Bloomfield artist Linda Zalla opened at Ford Hospital's outpatient center in West Bloomfield. Mrs. Zalla reported that the opening was done in grand style with refreshments, even a ribbon cutting ceremony.

She is the first artist in this cooperative venture between the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association and the hospital which will continue with a different artist each month. Linda, how-

ever, is a hard act to follow. She's an imaginative, skilled painter, one of the best in this area.

ANOTHER UNLIKELY place (but, why not?) for art to make an appearance is at the horse show at the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club. But, believe it, artists will be there two weekends, June 14-15 and June 21-22.

To perk up the waits between events for the spectators and competitors, Doreen Avery accepted the reins of leadership for a full blown art fair. She has been traveling at a gallop ever since, but it's all gone together and the fair will be open and ready for visitors

and buyers with 27 booths starting Saturday.

Mrs. Avery knows her art but wasn't as well acquainted with local art fair regulars. So she secured a list of the St. Owen's Church art fair participants — a good start. Then, she came on the well-organized and gracious Joyce Ellison, a super energetic local painter. Mrs. Ellison got out her files, gave Mrs. Avery a list of names and they were off and running — and in the process jumping a lot of hurdles successfully.

YOU'LL NOTICE I didn't say "take the bit" or "put on the feeding." I didn't want to get carried away with these horse analogies.

Anyway, Joe Maniscalco and Harlan Quinn will have some of their horse paintings at the show this weekend. I haven't seen Quinn's horses, but if they are in the same league with the rest of his artistic output they will be great. And next to people, the indomitable Maniscalco, who was undoubtedly a cowboy in some former incarnation, loves to paint horses. One of his hand-

met (horse portraits) has a place of honor on his studio wall.

Mrs. Avery was selective. She took names from juried show lists and on the recommendation of artists whom she respected.

SOME OF the other artists who will be showing there are Terry Luke, photographer, Brian Young, wood, Julie Stone, spinning and weaving, Ron Herzog, photography, John Metry, scrimshaw, Mitzi Jacobs, personality dolls, Karyl Hill, stained glass, Rita Kent, weaving, and Joyce Ellison, paintings.

The horse show art fair will run 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Who knows, you may be able to tell your family you did all your Christmas shopping at the horse show, a tantalizing remark if ever I heard one.

Mrs. Avery gets a special blue ribbon for putting art into the horse show and Ford Hospital wins the gold band aid of the week for filling the corridor with visual elixirs.

### class reunions

#### DETROIT SOUTHEASTERN 1930

Graduates of the January and June 1930 classes at Southeastern High School will hold a 50-year reunion May 31. Reservations must be made by May 24, and this can be done by calling Esther (Campbell) Braatzen, 821-1952.

#### DETROIT ST. AGNES 1945

The St. Agnes High School class of 1945 will hold its 35th class reunion June 29. Former classmates interested in attending may call Donna Darnell, 422-3185.

#### WAYNE MEMORIAL 1955

The 25-year reunion for the Wayne Memorial High School class of 1955 will be a dinner dance beginning at 6 p.m. July 26 at the Hyatt Regency. Information on tickets is available from Ray Füll, 455-5805, or Jerry Higgs, 721-8232.

#### PLYMOUTH 1970

The Plymouth High School class of 1970 plans a 10-year reunion June 7 at the Plymouth Hilton. Information on reservations is available from Tom Williams, 455-8351, or Sharon Ramaga, 427-2722.

#### HIGHLAND PARK ST. BENEDICT 1940

The 1940 class that graduated from St. Benedict High School in Highland Park plans a 40th reunion Sept. 20 in Mercy College Center, 8200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit. Grade school classmates of 1936 and all others through 1940 are invited.

Tickets at \$20 per person include dinner and open bar, and reservation checks should be mailed to E. Maurice Brennan, 1149 W. Selfridge, Clawson, 48107, 435-2542.

#### DETROIT CENTRAL 1927-1934

Those who graduated from Central High School between the years of 1927 and 1934 are invited to a reunion June 1 at Vladimir's Hall, 28125 Grand River, Farmington Hills.

Tickets are \$20 per person and include dinner, dancing and program. A few reservations still are available, and those interested in attending may call Marion Krone, 557-8520, or Esther Adler, 559-5794.

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