

# Shenandoah Valley Watercolor Society

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Newsletter

## Member Spotlight ...

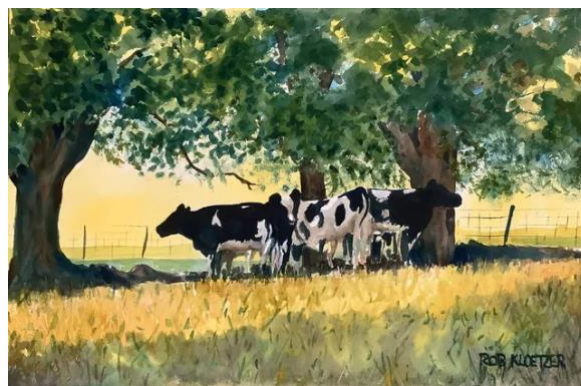
### *Well-Deserved 'Atta Girls'*

Rather than leave us in the lurch with no Treasurer for 2022, Donna Detrich continued to say yes, (albeit reluctantly, with heavy resignation in that yes!) month after month after month. For 37 years, she has occupied some administrative position within SVWS. We've streamlined and simplified the job of Treasurer. Yet, what would we have done without Donna? When you see her, offer her a well-deserved "Atta Girl" and your sincere appreciation for saying yes.

Lynda Chandler is a terrier, in the very best sense of the word. When she says yes to anything, she gives 100%, fully focused for endless hours, with every ounce of her formidable energy. What began as a yes to Secretary, quickly evolved to a more apt "Communications Director." To reach out to potential members, she uses social media daily, and even donated money to create a new SVWS website, updating it weekly. Hundreds of interested folks search these regularly. Because of the Member Bio, some members have volunteered to take on some of the smaller jobs to free Lynda to focus on Membership next year and build on the best practices we learned this year.

As our year draws to a close, SVWS is stronger now than it's been since Covid shut us down. Many older members have been active through the decades; they're ready to step back. Through the Member Bio Forms, many stepped forward and said yes to help in small ways. If you haven't completed a Member Bio, please do. We all need your strengths, talents, and gifts.

Mindy Morrison



2022 Member Show Best in Show AND Viewer Choice Award,  
*Heifer Huddle* by Rob Kloetzer

## Mark Your Calendar

November 5: 10:00 **Monthly Meeting** @ The Youth Center, 700 W. Market St., Harrisonburg. **From 12:00-2:00, pick up your Member Show artwork @ VMRC.**

December 3: Our annual **Potluck Party** @ 10:00 PLUS "Winter Holidays" **Greeting Card Contest**

December 5: Gallery Day Signature members refresh art at Taste of Thai & Hardesty-Higgins House

January 7: 10:00 Monthly Meeting @ The Youth Center, 700 W. Market St., Harrisonburg.

June 22, 23, 24: 9am – 4pm Three Day workshop with Lynn Ferris sponsored by SVWS.

*"Color is my day-long obsession, joy, and torment."*

*Claude Monet*

*"Color is the place where our brain and the universe meet." Paul Klee*

*"Color draws the eye."*

*Our very own Ann Harrison*

## **BrushStrokes**

Seventeen paintings sold at the Member Show. Donna Detrich is on vacation and I do not have a current list of accomplishments and sales. Hope to have a list for you at our November meeting.

## **Upcoming Friday & Saturday Paint Parties**

Friday morning and Saturday afternoon Paint Parties continue to gain traction with our members and their guests. Bring your paint supplies, a water container, and unfinished work.

**Friday Paint Party**, 10:00 – 12:00 at the Price Rotary Senior Center at Westover Park, directly across the street from our monthly meeting place. Enter the park off Rte. 33, take the first right, and it is the first building on your right. Bring \$1-2 to offset the cost to SVWS. **The Senior Center will be closed on Nov. 11 & 25.** The Friday Paint Party will continue December 2, 9, but will be cancelled Dec 16, 23, & 30. It will continue in January.

**Saturday Paint Party**, 1:00 – 3:00, at The Perch, next to the Magpie Diner. Bring the same supplies listed above. Free of charge. **Cancelled Nov. 12, 26, and all of December.**

## **And the Final Member Show Awards ...**

Lots of ballots to count for the Member Show Viewer Choice and Member Choice Awards. Of all the paintings, these were the favorites of VMRC residents, staff, and visitors, as well as SVWS members. If your painting(s) received votes, an envelope containing your ballots will be waiting for you at our next meeting. Drum roll, please ...

**Viewer Choice Award goes to Rob Kloezer for Heifer Huddle.**

**Member Choice Award was earned by Donna Detrich for The Homestead Garden.**

***Congratulations!***

## **Hooray! New Members!**

Be sure to greet and welcome our newest members. Please add them to your Membership List.

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OASIS invites SVWS Signature Members to exhibit art in May 2023 with the theme “Valley Scenes.” Not necessarily landscapes, but Valley flora, fauna, people, architecture, etc. No entry fee required, but a 30% commission will be taken. Email JanetLee Wright at [JanetLeeWright@gmail.com](mailto:JanetLeeWright@gmail.com) if you are interested in participating.



*2022 Member Show Member Choice Award, The Homestead Garden by Donna Detrich*