

The Arts Leaguer

President's Thank You

It is hard for me to imagine it was two years ago that the Nominating Committee asked me to be The Arts League President. I must admit I was a little intimidated by the legacy of past presidents, but I do know it has been a wonderful two years. There are not enough words to tell you what an exciting two years it has been—not because of me—but because of everyone associated with The Arts League.

A president is judged by what she accomplishes during her tenure. I am blessed with a Board comprised of the most dedicated, hard working and creative women who helped me achieve our goals. I am most grateful to *Jill Danahey, Sandra Durbin, Suzanne Harrington, Cheri Irwin, Jean Lewis, Joslyn Marksbury, Sharon Mayes, Colleen Meadows, Sally Nees, Connie Nichols, Karin Parsinen, Lynda Railsback, Kay Stromberg, Ginny Tigue, Winnie Wayne and Renova Williams* for their many hours of hard work. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your constant support and dedication to The Arts League.



During the past two years, The Arts League has moved forward in many areas, beginning with our festive evening Wine and Cheese Membership meetings. Preceding our business meetings, we had informative speakers from various museums and Bass Hall. The bylaws were reviewed and it was recommended they remain as originally written, and a Policies and Procedure committee appointed. This committee met several times and will present its recommendations to the 2010 Board. Our Spring Garden Parties continued to be successful. The Shining Stars Luncheons gave us the opportunity to honor outstanding community volunteers and the size of our Art Auction has increased considerably. We saw wonderful exhibits at the Kimball, Dallas Museum of Art and the Amon Carter museums and even managed to have a few lunches together. Additionally, we are very proud to have launched our own website and increased our publicity arena.

The stellar event during these two years was the fabulous trip to Washington, D.C. where the group saw many outstanding exhibits and dined like royalty. The high point of the trip was cocktails, a lavish gourmet dinner and a memorable evening in the beautiful, art-filled home of CBS Chief Correspondent Bob Schieffer and his wife Pat. I salute all the members of the Arts League for everything that has been done and ask your continued support for the new 2010 officers.

My special Holiday wishes to everyone for a joyous and wonderful time, filled with friends and family. I look forward to seeing you at our Christmas event in December. In closing, my sincere heartfelt "thank you" for your friendship and the joyous two years you have given me. It was my pleasure and privilege to serve as your President for 2008 and 2009.

Fondly,



Evelyn Englert
2009 Arts League President

Arts League Announces 2010 Slate

by Sandra Durbin, Nominating Chair

The Nominating Committee recommends the following slate of officers for 2010:

President	Sharon Mayes
First Vice President (Ways and Means)	Sue Howery
Second Vice Presidents (Programs)	Sandra Durbin & Sally Nees
Third Vice President (Membership)	Connie Nichols
Recording Secretary	Jill Danahey
Corresponding Secretary	Donna Moss
Treasurer	Winnie Wayne
Parliamentarian & Past President	Evelyn Englert

Shining Stars Wrap-Up

by Sharon Mayes, *Shining Stars Chair*

Photo by Premiere Photography



Thank you again for making the Shining Stars Luncheon a huge success! Through the efforts of the talented women of The Arts League, over \$32,000 dollars were raised to support the projects of ARTSNET. Thank you to our generous sponsors for their donations of time, treasure and talent. Additional funds were generated by the sale of art contributed by local artists, a silent auction, live auction and raffle.

Since 1996, The Arts League has held an annual luncheon to recognize outstanding women volunteers nominated by their local organizations as their "Shining Stars." Twenty-nine woman from twenty-seven organizations were honored at this year's luncheon. This year we were thrilled to have Bob Schieffer, CBS Chief Washington Correspondent and moderator of Face the Nation, as our featured speaker. Bob presented each of the award winners with a lovely hand blown art glass piece designed by Vetro Glassblowing Studio and Gallery.

Working through an impressive array of volunteer activities, the women honored generate creative and energetic ways to meet the greater challenges facing our community in these difficult economic times. These are women whose generosity of spirit and depth of vision have impressed their peers, who have selected them as their outstanding volunteer of 2009. It was indeed an honor to have a role in recognizing these dedicated women.

Committee Appreciation as well . . .

Another wonderful Shining Stars Luncheon has come and gone and 2009 was no exception. Everyone came together to make this special event a success. I especially want to thank our wonderful Hostesses who worked tirelessly greeting, checking in and directing our guests. You all did a spectacular job!

For the VIP party: Lee Koch and Bonnie Kurtz

For the Shining Stars Luncheon: Jan Grondohl, Wanda Hawkins, Roxanne Holt, Janice Kane, Lee Koch, Deaine Matthys, Jennifer Parks.

You are all Shining Stars!

Sally Nees, Volunteer Coordinator

I am delighted to report that we cleared over \$6,200 on the Silent Auction. Thank you all for your thoughtful donations.

Blessings,

Kay Stromberg

Honoring The Arts League's Own Shining Star

Winnie Wayne is a true Shining Star, calm and quiet, but a long-time, dedicated supporter of arts through The Arts League and ARTSNET. Winnie joined the League in 2002, was elected to the 2003 Executive Committee as treasurer, and has held that position for the last seven years. In addition to her treasurer duties, Winnie is an active and supportive board member in other areas. She is a sustaining donor to the annual Garden Party and routinely volunteers on the annual Shining Stars committees, serving as past co-chair for the VIP party, co-chair of Table Assignments since 2003 and co-chair of the Awards Selection Committee since 2007. Winnie also co-chaired ARTSNET's annual "Taste of Northeast" fundraiser. In addition to her strong contributions to The Arts League's fundraisers and art outings, Winnie handles everything with dependability, grace and her signature style. Her enthusiasm ensures she will always be an inspiration to our community and to her fellow League members. The Arts League is proud to recognize Winnie Wayne as its 2009 Shining Star!



Photo by Premiere Photography

2009 Arts League Shining Star
Winnie Wayne

Thank You, Shining Stars Sponsors

by Renova Williams & Ginny Tighe

This was a challenging fundraising year, but thanks to the sustained support of many long-time sponsors and the generosity of several new sponsors, we were still able to surpass our Shining Stars' underwriting goal again this year!

We can never say enough about our long-time supporters who make it possible for us to present this annual event. **Bates Container** is widely recognized as a generous supporter of the arts and not only made another significant cash contribution this year, but also generously donated to the Live Auction and volunteered time and staff to support our event. As always, we are most grateful for their legacy of support.

We also wish to extend a warm welcome to new underwriting sponsor, **Cook Children's Medical Center**, for recognizing the value of our support of the Arts and community volunteers by coming on board with a major cash contribution this year. We are most grateful for their support and hope that this will be the beginning of a long-time partnership.

Lastly, our Shining Stars receive wide, well-deserved recognition thanks to our strong media partners, **Star-Telegram and the Alliance Newspapers**. They contribute to the success of the event on multiple levels and their consistent support is both gratifying and most appreciated.

We owe all our generous underwriters, sponsors, artists and in-kind donors a great debt of gratitude for their support of Shining Stars and the arts. As Arts League members, please thank them personally and support their businesses.

2009 Shining Stars Artists & Art Donors

Donna Antosh	Sheri Harvey	Mary Lou Osborne
Diane Brewer	Vicki Harvey	Kim Otamaa
Nancy Brown	Sharon Herron	Patricia Torsiello Palmieri
Carol Callery	Helen Hogan	Tracy Parsinen
Frankie Sieloff Couch	Donna Hogue	Martha Ragsdale
Tricia Cress	Johnny Mahto Hogue	Jackie Railsback
Jill Danahey	Cheri Irwin	Faye Redmon
Barbie Derby	Dr. A. Chapman Isham	Beverly Richmond
Judy DeWine	Dominique Galleron	Rosemary Riddle-Achelpohl
Donna Dodson	Johnson	Ruth Rotthaus
Bonnie Dunn	Tom E. Kellie	Linda Smith
Martha Gipson Durbin	Shirley Kinworthy	Laney Sutherland
Jo Ann Durham	Jean Lewis	Azalee Tatum
Marie L. Dygert	Margaret Lingerfelt	Arlene Butterworth Taylor
Amy M. Ehrlich	Linda J. Longshore	Irma Ward
Tina Falgoust	Judy Mackey	Andrew Wayne
Cindy Flint	Karla Brady Massingill	Carolyn Kilgo Weinman
Ruth Francis	Katrina McIntyre	Fran Chausse White
Cherie Giddens	Cynthia Medanich	Wanda Wilkins
Marilyn Good	Nancy Medina	Judith Wolf
Edith (Edie) Gray	Patsy Miller	Rhoda Wollaston
Anita Hale	Doris Mobley	Bennie Wood
Ann Hardy	Patricia A. Naney	Timothy Woodhouse
	Connie Nichols	

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Joe & Ginny Tighe
Mary Smith/Susan Williams

ARTSNET Announces New Grant for Individual Artists residing in the Mid-Cities

ARTSNET announces its brand new granting program! ARTSNET is reaching out to local artists who desire to serve their community to apply for this grant. Through the help of The Arts League, ARTSNET will match city dollars in eligible cities across the North Tarrant County region with an initial pool of \$5,000 per city to grant to artists and arts organizations.

Timeline for Individual Artists

- Nov. 15: Grant application posts online
- Jan. 15: Grant applications DUE
- Mid February: Granting Panels meet in various cities
- Mid March: Check distribution for grants

Timeline for Non-profit Arts Organizations

- Oct. 15: Grant application posts online
- Nov. 30: Grant applications DUE
- Jan. 8: Grant Panel meets
- Mid March: Check distribution for grants

The grant guidelines and application are available at www.artsnetc.org. Artists of all genres that reside in Bedford, Colleyville, Euless, Haltom City, Hurst, Richland Hills, Southlake and Westlake are eligible. ARTSNET will continue to support the various non-profit arts organizations in these cities. Arts organizations can also find guidelines posted at www.artsnetc.org.

The mission of ARTSNET is to encourage, support and facilitate artistic cultural opportunities within the communities of North Tarrant County. For information, contact Elizabeth Chambless, Program/Marketing Director, 817.83.406 or by email: chambless@artsnetc.org



(L to R:) Arts League President Evelyn Englert with special Guest Speaker Bob Schieffer and Arts League 2009 Shining Star Winnie Wayne.

CALENDAR

November

- 28 Saturday
Reservation deadline for Meyerson Christmas event to Ginny Tigie.

December

- 2 Monday
Arts League Board Xmas Luncheon
11:30 A.M.
Ferrari's Restaurant
- 17 Thursday
Arts League Holiday Celebration for Members & Guests
7:30 P.M.
Morton H. Meyerson
"Cheers—A Christmas Celebration"
Dinner to precede TBA

January

- 4 Monday
Arts League Board Meeting
9:30 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch

February

- 1 Monday
Arts League Board Meeting
9:30 A.M.
ARTSNET, Bedford Boys Ranch

Treasurer's Report

by Winnie Wayne, Treasurer

Regular Checking \$45,306.37
 Money Market Acct 2,692.24
 Shining Stars was a wonderful success! Although all the accounting is not complete at this time, we anticipate a net of well over \$30,000.00, quite an accomplishment in these difficult times.

Worker Bees at the VIP Reception . . .



Shining Stars Chair Sharon Mayes helps with tray preparations.



Dynamic Raffle Ticket Duo Elsie Gunter and Kathryn Bradford plot their selling strategy!



Joslyn Marksbury & Bonnie Kurtz welcome guests.



(L to R): Karen Parsinen; VIP Reception Chair Jill Kralicke and Shining Stars Chair Sharon Mayes



VIP Reception Pianists Karen & Doug Parsons



Versatile Hostess Extraordinaire Kay Stromberg with Arts League Member and Artist Jill Danahey.





Shining Stars Check-In



L to R: Jodi Sanders, Jean Lewis, Cathy Fryer, Jill Danabey



Dallas Marriott Las Colinas Ballroom



Sharon Mayes and Bearded Brother Bob Schieffer



Something for everyone!



The tablescapes sparkle!



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Arts League Holiday Outing

The Arts League invites you to celebrate the holiday season in musical style! Mark your calendar for Thursday, December 17th, 7:30 p.m. at the Morton H.

Meyerson Symphony Center in Dallas for the annual concert “Cheer—A Christmas Celebration.” This is the season’s most popular and festive holiday concert and features the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, the Dallas Symphony Chorus and a children’s choir. Familiar Christmas music—both holiday classics and popular favorites—fills this spectacular concert, along with a surprise visit from Santa Claus! Look for your invitation soon.

Concert tickets are available at either \$75 (orchestra) or \$40 (grand tier). Send your reservations (checks), payable to The Arts League, to **Sally Nees, 1504 Wimberly Court, Bedford, TX 76021** to secure your reservation. **DEADLINE: Check in hand by Saturday, November 28, 2009.** We will dine at Victory Tavern for food and drinks prior to the concert, Food \$30 plus cash bar. Come join the fun! Adult friends and family are welcome. For information, contact Sally Nees, 817.354.1003 or by email to: sallyn15@swbell.net.