## Minnesota Artists Association - Newsletter May 2011

## May 17th - Potluck and Paint Together

Our last official meeting until September will be on Tuesday, May 17, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the Bloomington Art Center. Please bring a dish to share along with your paints and we'll have a fun evening of eating and painting together! Let's plan to eat first and then we can play with our paints!

Jeanne Emrich is making a Summer paint out list which I will be sending out by email as soon as it is ready. For the snail mail MAA members, please contact me if you would like a list and I will mail it to you when it is available. (Marjorie Moody, 651-644-0068). Hope you can join us for plein air painting this summer!

As you know we do not have our monthly meetings in the summer but will resume meetings in September. Our dues are \$25 for an individual and \$40 for a family membership and they should be paid in September 2011 for the year (September 2011-August 2012). Please send your dues to our treasurer Diane Gilbertson, 5275 Oxford St. No., Shoreview, MN 55126.

## **Upcoming Exhibitions**

Our Fall 2011 exhibition will be in November at the Colonial Church of Edina. More details will be in the September newsletter. In 2012 we will be celebrating our 75th anniversary. We usually have our shows in April and October but because so many places require 2-3 years advance bookings our shows in 2012 will be closer together than I would have liked. I'm giving you the information now so that you can plan ahead and have your paintings ready early for both shows in 2012! Also, if anyone has a great idea as to what else we can do to celebrate our 75 years please let me know!

Spring 2012 - Robbin Gallery - June, 2012 Fall 2012 - Edina Art Center - August 23-September 27, 2012

We have a facebook page now and if any of you are on facebook please suggest our page to your friends so that we can get the word around about MAA. We hope to get more new members, particularly some young ones so that we can continue our great legacy! Thank you!

Longtime MAA member Carold Pihl died on February 26, 2011. He was 102 years old. Carold was a very kind and gentle man and a lifelong artist. I have been sending Carold the news via the snail mail and one of his relative recently notified me of his death. He will be greatly missed.

Thanks for all your help and support this year - MAA is not only the oldest organization in Minnesota but the one with the most wonderful people in it!!!