



Autumn Scene, William Leigh

SMOKE SIGNALS

NOVEMBER, 2018

President's Post ~ Kathy Horne

November is our month for giving thanks and for being extra mindful of what we are grateful for in our lives. So let me begin by saying how much gratitude I have for the twenty talented individuals of the Gillies Class of 2019 who chose the Gillies and Gilcrease Museum as a focus for their volunteer time and talents. We are so pleased that they are now joining us in a variety of service areas, and helping to provide a quality museum experience for our visitors. I want to give a big shout out to Silvia Furgason, Intern Education Chair, Vice President Sally Tucker, Intern Education Assistant Sondra Mullins, and Adjuncts Barbara Kelley and Cindy Strasheim for providing a five-week training experience that many of the Interns described as “exceeding expectations.” Silvia organized quite a cadre of museum staff and Gillies to guide our new class in learning the collections as well as the varied ways that we Gillies serve the museum – many, many thanks to all who participated!!

I know that we all are tremendously grateful for our Hospitality Committee, chaired again this year by Lana Clark. The fall is always a particularly busy time for them with many scheduled meetings and events that they make so much “sweeter” with their yummy cookies, snacks and warm coffee. Then they go above and beyond and provide us all with an amazing dinner for our Annual Membership Party – this year scheduled for Sunday, November 11. You won’t want to miss it! Along with the Hospitality Committee, we will want to thank President-Elect Kathe Crapster and the Gillies Class of 2018 for all the fun and entertainment that we will experience that evening.

There will be no rest for the Hospitality Committee at the conclusion of the party, however, as they are again generously giving of their time and talents by providing refreshments for the naturalization ceremony taking place at Gilcrease on Wednesday morning, November 14. Many of you have also volunteered to help out that day by being greeters, wayfinders, and child care assistants.

I can’t begin to tell you how grateful I am that there are always, always, always Gillies who quickly and readily respond positively to requests for help with museum events and programs. I know that museum staff shares this gratitude as well. It is an honor to be a part of such a giving group of people!

Have a wonderful November and a delicious Thanksgiving! I sincerely thank **all of you** for what you do all year long in service to Gilcrease Museum!

******* NOTICE TO ALL GILLIES *******

Museum staff has requested that we please NOT congregate at the Greeters Desk or near the front door. When Gillies chat with each other in these locations, it creates a noisy and congested entrance for our visitors. We all enjoy our conversations with our fellow Gillies, but please catch up with each other in other spots, such as the Sign-In Room, the Visitors Lounge or further back in the front hall closer to the stairs. Thank you so much for ensuring that our visitors have a welcoming and inviting first impression!!

Gillies Annual Membership Party

Honoring the Class of 2019

Sunday, November 11, 2018

5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Gilcrease Museum Vista Room



All Things Dylan

A fabulous meal expertly prepared by our own Hospitality Committee

Entertainment by and for Gillies – including a few Dylan tunes

Dylan Trivia Guest Appearances Take a Selfie with Dylan



Please RSVP!

Email: kathecrapster@gmail.com

Drop a note in the box in the Sign-In Room

Or call Kathe: 918-924-9182

RSVPs Due by November 2nd

We need your RSVP for food and table planning.

You will go home smiling.

Announcing a New Happy Hour Venue

~ Lana Clark, Hospitality Chair

On November 11, 2018, the Happy Hour will be held in Helmerich Hall. Wine, beer, and water will be served from 5-6 p.m. At 6:00 we will move into the Vista Room for our meal and festivities. Wine and beer will also be available in Gallery 18 from 6:00 until 6:45 for those who would like a glass of wine or beer with their meal.

We look forward to having each of you join us for happy conversations and libations in this new venue for Happy Hour! Come and Enjoy!

Congratulations to the Gillies Class of 2019

~ Silvia Furgason, Intern Education Chair

Wednesday, October 10, marked the end of this year's Intern training. One Intern remarked that he liked the fact that "the days were packed full with no wasted time." They have truly been busy absorbing the information presented to them by the Gillies and museum staff.

One of the highlights of Intern Training is Dr. Bob Pickering's presentation on the American Bison. Thank you Dr. Pickering.

The two field trips incorporated into the training were a welcome change of pace from the classroom. We made a trip to Broken Arrow to view sculptures by Allan Houser, Rosalind Cook, David Nunneley and other sculptors. The trip included a visit to David Nunneley's studio where he demonstrated the lost wax method of bronze casting. David is a former Gillie and the sculptor of *Sequoyah* which is located near the entrance to HCAR.

Pawhuska was the destination of the other field trip. A visit to the Osage Nation Museum and the Immaculate Conception Catholic church were included. The church has a beautiful stained glass window that depicts members of the Osage Nation. Chief Bacon Rind is one of the figures depicted in the window.

Thanks to Assistant Sondra Mullins, adjuncts Barbara Kelley and Cindy Strasheim, Vice-President Sally Tucker, the Gillies who made presentations, and Staff IT Specialist Neal Scott.

Training would not be successful without the support of the custodial staff. They got plenty of exercise setting up tables and chairs in Gallery 18 two days a week for 5 weeks. Thank you!

The Interns have selected the Service Areas in which they want to volunteer. You have probably already seen them around the museum. I know you have been your naturally friendly selves and welcomed them into the Gillies Organization.



Interns Reita Adams, Janet Hayes, Kay Todd, and Robin Leech soak in information from David Nunneley at his studio.



Strutting Thru the Rose District by David Nunneley was a favorite of many Interns. The sculpture sits at the southeast corner of Main and Dallas in Broken Arrow.

Photos by Tom Duncan

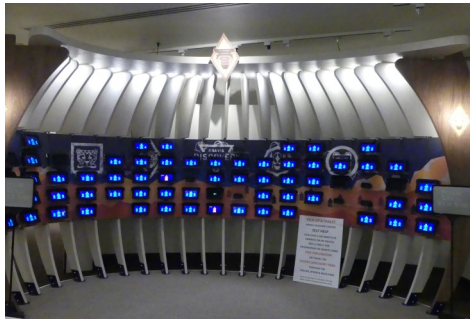
KRAVIS DISCOVERY CENTER UPDATE

~ Rod Schneider, KDC Chair

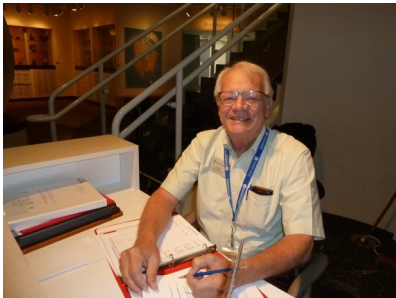
A meeting for all KDC facilitators, current and prospective, is scheduled for Monday, December 3 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting will be in KDC and we will be discussing the current problems and possible solutions with the tablets and the PODs. This will be everyone's opportunity to share their experiences, both good and bad with other facilitators. Several Gilcrease staff members will be present for the meeting.

We still have several vacant facilitator positions open, including 4th Friday, 3rd Saturday and 3 Sunday positions. (Don't forget, double hours on weekends). Some Interns from the new class have indicated they would like to work in KDC which is very welcome. KDC facilitator positions are open to **all Gillies**, not just docents. If anyone is interested in joining the fun team at KDC, please contact me for further information.



The wall of iPads welcomes visitors to KDC.



Rick Brewer at the Facilitator's Desk.



John Hartman works with out-of-town visitors.



Visitors explore one of the pods in KDC.

Photos by Dana Simon

Gillies Day Trip To McAlester

~ Karen Jarvis, Travel Chair

On Tuesday, October 9, twenty-one Gillies and friends travelled to McAlester for a tour of the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple. Our guide was a 33rd degree Mason with a wealth of knowledge about the history of the Masons and the temple. The stage of the 710-seat Egyptian auditorium was impressive with its 114 drop-down scenes that were hand painted by a single artist. It also houses a 3,100 pipe Kimball organ. Our next stop was Saint Joseph Catholic Church in nearby Krebs, Ok. This beautiful brick building was built in 1903 after the original wood frame building burned in 1902. A life-long member and Deacon was our guide and shared with us a history of the coal mines and the immigrants that settled there. We had an Italian lunch at Pete's Place and then stopped at Lovera's Italian Market before heading home. Gillie Robert Taylor provided live entertainment during the trip home with his ukulele and singing. Despite light rain, we all had a great time and will be looking forward to our next trip!



Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Krebs, OK



On stage at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple.

Photos by Karen Jarvis

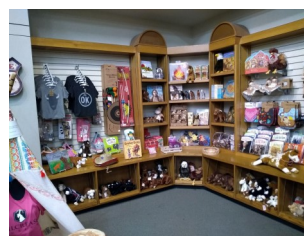
Store Chatter

~ Carolyn Ekenstam, Museum Store Chair

Check out the upcoming sales!! From November 16th to 18th, there will be a sale of the wonderful bronzes for 30% off. Just think of being able to enjoy one of these pieces at your home any time.



Photos by Carolyn Ekenstam



Not long afterward is the highly anticipated store-wide sale that happens each December with 25% off for all members. That sale will take place the 7th to the 9th of December. There will be a special day for Gillies only on December 6th. In anticipation of the 25% off sale, you can check out what is available and you might find a special something that will be perfect for a Christmas gift. There is sure to be a great selection of jewelry from Native American turquoise to Mata Ortiz. Of course, you can shop anytime and find great items in the store.

Also check out the children's toys and educational gifts and purchase something for that special child in your life.

Gilcrease Museum 2018-2019 Upcoming Exhibition Schedule

<i>Americans All!</i>	(Gallery 7 North)
Gilcrease Permanent Collections	
9/21/18 – ongoing	
<i>Albert Bierstadt: Witness to a Changing West</i>	(Gallery 7)
Organized by the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in conjunction with Gilcrease Museum	
11/3/18 – 2/10/19	
<i>Dylan</i> (Working title)	(Getty Gallery)
12/??/18 – ??/??/?? To be determined	
<i>The Chisholm Kid: Lone Fighter for All</i>	(Smith Gallery 4)
Organized by the Museum of Uncut Funk	
12/15/18 – 3/17/2019	
<i>Tulsa Artist Fellows Respond to Gilcrease</i> (Working title)	(Smith Gallery 4 and Helmerich Hall)
Spring 2019—Spring 2020	
<i>Pulitzer Prize Photographs</i>	(Gallery 7 South)
Organized by the Newseum	
3/29/19—7/14/19	
<i>Latin American Art in Gilcrease</i> (Working title)	(Gallery 7 East)
Organized by the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in conjunction with Gilcrease Museum	
11/3/18 – 2/10/19	
<i>Dorothea Lange's America</i>	(Gallery 7 South)
Organized by art2art Circulating Exhibitions	
9/13/19 – 1/5/20	

ALL ACTIVE GILLIES - HELP WANTED

~ Jacque Frye, Nominating Committee Chair

The Gillies need you, every one of you, to begin considering nominations for the 2019-2020 slate of Gillies officers. Did you think the Nominating Committee made the nominations? NO! The nominations must come from an active Gillie. Try to match up the talents of a Gillie with the requirements of the office: computer skills = Secretary or outgoing personality = Vice President, who contacts prospective new members.

WATCH the December/January *Smoke Signals* for information on WHEN and WHERE to send your nominations.

Ge-tsi-no-hi-se-di

~ **Barbara Lee Bush, Secretary**

Gillies ~ Please check your personal information in the Directory/Handbook (available in the Gillie Sign-In Room) and confirm your address, telephone number and email are current. Let me know if a correction is required. Thank you!

Sent *Thinking of You* cards to:

David Robertson
Kimberly Norman (husband's surgery)
Joe Meeks
Marietta Seibert

Sent Sympathy cards to:

The Family of Roseanne Edwards
Norma Wallace (brother)
Kelsey Ritz (grandmother)
John Madlock (father)

Sent *Get Well* card to:

Rachel Johnson (Gilcrease Museum Staff)

Change of Email Address:

Pat Nye: pmn3812@cox.net
Charles Wyatt: wytatinba@gmail.com

Change of Telephone Number for Docent Roster and Gillie Handbook:

Keith Bowers: 918-521-4370

Correction to Mailing Address:

Kelsey Ritz
14100 E. 106th Street N. Apt. #821
Owasso, OK 74055

Please send changes in contact information (address, phone, and email), as well as news about a Gillie who is ill, to Gillies Secretary Barbara Lee Bush at 951-317-4664, email: bush.raintreeranch@gmail.com.

DOCENTS' CORNER

~ **Deanna Storm, Docent Chair**

NEXT DOCENT MEETING

Friday, November 2, 2018

9:30 for Coffee, 10:00 for Meeting
Gallery 18



Albert Bierstadt: Witness to a Changing West

Meet in Gallery 18 for a short meeting followed by a walkthrough of the exhibit with Laura Fry

This will be our training for the exhibit – Nov. 2

Don't miss it!!

also

SAVE THIS DATE!

Friday, December 7, 2018

Docent Holiday Luncheon

More Details Later

October 14

~ **Dana Simon, Gillies Photographer**



Gillies greet the public whenever the Museum is open. On Sunday, October 14, these Gillies made every effort to make visitors welcome: Sharon Patch and Lizzy Bee Rush of the Visitors' Services Desk; Barbara Paradise Kelley in the Museum Store; and George Hill, Public Tour Docent, relating Mr. Gilcrease's story to visitors from out of state. Thanks to you all!

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November

01 Development Committee Meeting	Board Room	10:00 a.m.
02 Docent Meeting	Gallery 18	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
02 Deadline to RSVP for Gillies Membership Party – <i>All Things Dylan</i>		
03 Bierstadt Curatorial Panel Discussion		3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Moderated by Dr. Joni Kinsey with cocurators Peter Hassrick, Laura Fry and Karen McWhorter		
03 <i>Albert Bierstadt: Witness to a Changing West</i>		
Exhibition Opens	Gallery 7	
05,07,12,14,26,28 Provisional Docent Training		9:30 - 3:00 p.m.
	Gallery 18	
08 Executive Committee Meeting	Gillies Library	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
08 Education Committee Meeting	Board Room	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
09 Board Meeting	Board Room	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
11 Gillies Membership Party	Vista Room	5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
<i>All Things Dylan</i>		
15 <i>Smoke Signals</i> deadline for December-January issue		
16-18 Annual Bronze Sale (30% off)	Museum Store	Museum hours
17 Funday Sunday	Museum	Noon – 4:00 p.m.

December

03 KDC Facilitators Meeting	KDC	10:00 a.m.
06 Development Committee Meeting	Board Room	10:00 a.m.
06 Special Museum Store sale day	Museum Store	Museum hours
for Gillies		
07-09 Members Holiday Sale (25% off)	Museum Store	Museum hours
07 Docents' Holiday Luncheon	HCAR	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
15 <i>The Chisholm Kid: Lone Fighter for All</i>		
Exhibition Opens	Smith Gallery 4	
16 Funday Sunday with Santa	Museum	Noon – 4:00 p.m.
18 Holiday Jazz Featuring Leon Rollerson		5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

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