



**RETIRED  
ART  
EDUCATORS  
INTEREST**

To conduct programs of professional activities for state and national events;

To encourage continued personal involvement and development in art education;

To inform State Associations and NAEA of concerns relevant to members of long - standing;

To encourage and support, as well as provide mentorship for, student members of the NAEA.

# RAEA

**NOVEMBER  
E-BULLETIN  
2019**

**From the  
President**

**Kathryn  
Hillyer**

**Illinois**

Fall is the time many states have their art education conferences. This year the Illinois conference is in late November, at the Q Center in St. Charles (west of Chicago). I'll be there! In some ways it's like an annual family reunion. Our collective experience (and yes, wisdom!) is a valuable resource to our fellow art educators who are still working. I hope many of you are still part of your associations. Kim Huyler Defibaugh, NAEA Past-President (and retired art educator), attended the Wisconsin conference and indulged her love of the Green Bay Packers by attending a game (if you're curious about how a Jersey girl became a Packers fan check out this clip of her keynote address at the WAEA conference!) <https://mobile.twitter.com/bellafiore3/status/1185315132404129792?s=12> (It's a Twitter link—I hope it works!)

In addition, registration for NAEA is open (March 26-28, 2020, in Minneapolis). The Art Educators of Minnesota have provided a conference planning team that has helped to craft an exciting and interesting convention. In addition, we are exploring a possible RAEA event, which I will be contacting you about via a separate email. Watch for it!

## **New Treasurer**

I am very pleased to introduce you to our new Treasurer, Pamela Signorelli of Michigan (formerly of Minnesota!) Pam has been teaching art for 40 years at many grade levels and schools. Currently teaching Art Education in Michigan for Oakland University. She has her National Board Teacher Certification Adolescent Young Adult Visual Arts. Always active in her State Art Education Associations she was president of Minnesota and has presented many workshops at the State and National Level. She is, like many of us, "sort of retired!" Thank you Pam, for volunteering!

## Trivia

The trivia question in the last issue of this newsletter was:

Though not Norman Rockwell's first illustration job, he was still in his teens when he accepted the job of art editor for "Boys' Life." Which of these groups published "Boys' Life?"

The answer is: Boy Scouts of America. Norman Rockwell was hired for this position at age nineteen and he remained for three years. His first published magazine cover, "Scout at Ship's Wheel," came out on the September 13, 1913, edition of "Boys' Life."

No one sent me the correct answer, but I will provide another opportunity with this month's question: Brancusi was noted for his skill in wood carving. When he was a teenager, what did he make out of a wooden crate that impressed his boss enough to sponsor him through university? Send your answers to me at [kathioh@aol.com](mailto:kathioh@aol.com)!

## Silent Auction

Don't forget to set aside your donation(s) to the RAEA Silent Auction in Minneapolis! Remember, this is the fund-raising activity that RAEA uses to raise money for awards. All NAEA members are invited to donate and categories include all 2-D and 3-D artwork. If you have any questions, just email me at: [kathioh@aol.com](mailto:kathioh@aol.com). The information sheet to accompany any donated pieces is at: <https://www.arteducators.org/community/articles/73-retired-art-educators-affiliate-raea>. Use the "Silent Auction Bid Sheet," found at the bottom of the RAEA page under Helpful Downloads on the NAEA website.

I enjoyed teaching a ceramics class for adults in May and June at the McLean County Arts Center in Bloomington, Illinois. The students range of experience from extensive to none. Since their knowledge and skills were varied, I demonstrated various building methods and surface decoration techniques. I continued to build some of the in-progress forms that I used for demonstration. I donated the form pictured to the McLean County Arts Center Fundraiser Luncheon raffle. The proceeds of the Luncheon will be used toward equipment for the Center's studio spaces.



White Earthenware Clay, Slab construction, Aquamarine

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# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

**BOB CURTIS AND I WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT BEGINNING IN JANUARY 2020 FLOWERREE MCDONOUGH AND DONNA ANDERSON WILL TAKE OVER THE ROLES OF CO-EDITORS OF THE RETIRED ART EDUCATORS INTEREST GROUP E-BULLETIN. WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE THE RAEA E-BULLETIN! DEADLINE FOR JANUARY NEWS SUBMISSION IS DECEMBER 15, 2019!!**

Thank you to Dean G. Johns and Robert W. Curtis who have continually been our great RAEA communicators through the years. You have kept us up to date on NAEA news, as well as, pertinent information about our RAEA members. Our tremendous thanks for your passion and perseverance in producing a quality E-Bulletin.

As the new RAEA E-Bulletin Co-Editors, Donna Anderson and I are pleased to continue the tradition that Bob and Dean have developed. Donna, among pages of accolades, was NAEA National Secondary Educator and Tennessee Art Education Association President. Flowerree was NAEA Emeritus Awardee and TAEA President. As all RAEA members do, we feel that we do not slow down when we leave the classroom. We are expecting to hear your stories as we endeavor to continue communicating relevant news. What examples from your area can we learn about as you continue the action of art advocacy? We look forward to communicating with all of you in the coming year.

Respectfully,  
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## RAEA E-BULLETIN CO-EDITORSHIP

Several years ago the RAEA decided to develop a timely method of communicating with members. At that time the only avenue to communicate was through the NAEA publications. That process meant that a period of three to four months would pass before the news was received by the membership. It was determined that by establishing an e-bulletin information could be disseminated within a few days. Using the NAEA email list the e-bulletin was formed and membership began getting a bimonthly RAEA e-bulletin. This bulletin could bring more detailed information regarding RAEA programming, State and Regional information and could “spotlight” the activities of individual members. Issues of the e-bulletin have been archived on the RAEA page at [“arteducators.com”](http://arteducators.com) so that back issues can be accessed. Currently issues since September 2015 are there.

Since inception Dean Johns and I have co-edited the e-bulletin and developed the program model. It has been exciting to help launch this communication tool but now it is time to pass the responsibility on to other members. I am pleased that Flowerree McDonough and Donna Anderson have agreed to assume the position of co-chairs of the e-bulletin. Knowing of their superior leadership I am sure that they will bring dynamic new energies to the RAEA communication stream.

The success of the e-bulletin goes to all who have contributed. Special thanks to Dean Johns, my co-editor, who has guided much of the success of the e-bulletin. Thank you Dean!

I hope we have created a program that has produced positive impact.

I thank each of you for your continuing commitment to achieving quality art education and your faithful support as an emeritus art educator.

“BOB”



It has been my pleasure to be a Co-Editor of the RAEA E-Bulletin with Bob Curtis. We are a great team!! My sentiments echo those of Bob in his statements above. It's been a good ride and a very enjoyable one. We are so pleased to have Flowerree and Donna become Co-Editors. They will bring experience, strong leadership, and a new perspective to the Bulletin. Thank you both!!

Dean

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**MARCH 26 - 28, 2020  
MARCH 4 - 6, 2021  
MARCH 3 - 5, 2022**

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CONVENTIONS**

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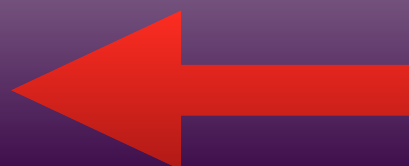
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**NEXT DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 15**



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