AHA MOMENTS September 2022

We had our monthly meeting on September 3rd.
We met outside the Aromas Grange on a warm Saturday.
We sat under the trees in the shade and there was a nice breeze.
We had a very nice turn out!
We had few new members and wonderful art was shared.
A good time was had by all.

Our meeting was lead by Peggy Hartman.
Barb Scoles will lead the next meeting on October 1st.
We will meet outside The Grange at 11:00.
Bring your own chair. If vaccinated a mask is not required.

The October art sharing theme is "bring your favorite piece of art".
This months Art Sharing was "Abundance".
(photos below from September art sharing).

Announcements:

The next Paint Out is scheduled for September 16th at 1:00 at Credo Studio,
1 Polk Street San Juan Bautista
(pictures of the last paint out below).

The raffle is off to a fantastic start.
Thank you everyone for your wonderful donations. This wouldn't happen without you.
The debut was Aromas Day and it was the best ever one day of sales!
Thank you to all who helped sell tickets on Aromas Day.
Tickets were handed out to members at the last meeting.
If you want tickets reach out to Barb Scoles 831-818-7262

Aromas day was a huge success.
The new committee did a wonderful job!
It was nice to have it back after two years.
Members who participated enjoyed the day!

The Big Fish in the Aromas Town Square Park project is complete.
The Boy Scouts built the wall.
AHA members took the old fish down,
resealed the boards and put it back up and it looks wonderful.
There will be some photos below and more posted on FB.

Be sure and mark your calendars for San Benito County Arts Council Open Studio Tour
September 24th & 25th, from 10 to 4
Sally Diggory and SanDee Adams will be hosing artists at their homes on
Carpenteria Rd. in down town Aromas.
Jane Rekedal will be at her studio on Cannon Rd.
There are many other artists in San Juan Bautista and Hollister.
There is an exhibit on Saturday September 10th, from 12-3
35 5th Street, Ste. D Hollister
link for more information
https://www.sanbenitoarts.org/open-studios/

We started sign ups for Autumn Art.
Autumn Art will be October 2nd, from 10 - 4

at the Aromas Sports Park
300 Aromas Rd
Contact Linda Bjornson to reserve your spot 831-291-6719

We are excited to announce that The Holiday Art Festival is back at The Grange.
We are at the beginning stages of putting this event back together.
There are many details to be worked out due to Covid protocols.
We have booths available inside The Grange and will also have a few outside booths.
This is a member's only event.
It will be held November 19 & 20, from 10 - 4
If you are planning on participating you must be willing to sign up for a task.
To reserve your spot contact Laurie Tholen 831-902-0576

We had a special guest at out meeting,
Romona Hill
She is the owner of the Credo Studio Gallery,
1 Polk Street San Juan Bautista.
She is opening part of her studio as a shop and is interested in local artists' work.
Contact Romona for more information at 831-245-8470
Here is the FB link https://www.facebook.com/credostudio

We have some dates for upcoming events for the year.
Be sure and mark your calendars.
September 24th and 25th San Benito Open Studios
October 8, 9, 15 & 16 Monterey Open Studio Tour
October 2nd Aromas Hills Artisans Autumn Art
November 19th & 20th Holiday Art Festival

Great News!
AHA now has Amazon Smile non-profit status!
When you sign into Amazon put Smile in the search bar.
Click the link and find Aromas Hills Artisans. Choose them as your charity.
Be sure when you order that you have the "Smile" activated.
Amazon gives a small percent of each order to your charity.
Tell your friends and family to do this now!
What an EZ way to support your favorite non-profit!

Below I will share the art that was shared at our meeting.
Our theme was Abundance
Thank you for sharing.
I will also share to our FB page.

Link to AHA Face Book Page
https://www.facebook.com/AromasHillsArtisans/

Hi from Linda Bjornson
Water Color Paint Out

Hi from JoAnne Andrews
Water Color Paint Out

Hi from Barb Scoles
Santa Wood Carving Art Sharing

Hi from Kati D'Amore
Oil Paintings on Wood Art Sharing

Hi from Chris Harden
Acrylic and Spackle Art Sharing

Hi from Linda Bjornson
Water Color Art Sharing

Hi from Jennifer Power
Fused Glass Art Sharing

Hi from Susan Shirley
Repurposed Handmade Felt Art Sharing

Hi from Peggy Hartman
Acrylic Painting Art Sharing

Hi from Laurie Tholen
Etched Copper Art Sharing

Hi from Rhoda Bloom
Acrylic and Fused Glass Art Sharing

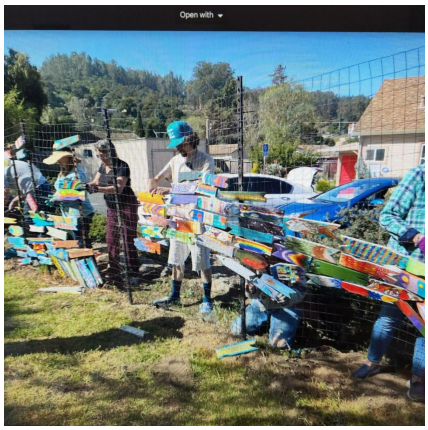
Hi from Trish Sparling
Fiber Jacket Embellishment Art Sharing

Hi from Filip Verschelde
Modified Wooden Step Art Sharing

Hi From Jayne Camic
Polymer Clay Bowls Art Sharing

This is an extra addition to the Newsletter
This is a recap of the Big Fish Reconstruction in Aromas Town Square Park
There are many photos that will be all on our FB page.
Here are a few.

Before the Old Fish



Many Hands removing the Old Fish

Paint Party at Joyce's house

Boy Scouts building the new wall for the fish

Working on the layout to put the Big Fish back up on display

The completed Big Fish