

LOST IN THE WOODS STUDIO

2010 EARLY SPRING NEWSLETTER

Greetings from Ron and Kay

First of all we want to let you know that we have a new e-mail address: lstinwoods@att.net. Please update your records.

2009 was a full year for us with many new experiences to enrich our lives.

We started off the year with our first exhibit at the Rappahannock River Waterfowl Show and it is almost time to be there again so please mark these dates on your calendar and come visit with us at the show:

RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER WATERFOWL SHOW, March 19-21, 2010 in White Stone, VA. Contact Bill or Pat Bruce at 804-435-6355 for more information.

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF 2009

SPRING TRIP, 2009 One of the highlights of last year was our trip to Arizona to visit my sister and brother-in-law, Donna and Al. It was Ron's first trip to the Southwest. We spent most of the week traveling with them in northeastern AZ. We drove through the Salt River Canyon to the town of Show Low. From there we drove by the Petrified Forest, through miles of Navajo reservation, to Canyon De Chelly (pronounced De Shay) where we spent the day driving the south rim of this canyon. It is an amazing place with cliff dwellings dating from the Anasazi, "The Ancient Ones". We hope to go back someday and take a guided tour of the canyon floor with Donna and Al.

Next we drove to the Grand Canyon and spent the day visiting the South Rim (we seem to be stuck on South rims). The canyon is truly one big, incredible, hole (Ron's description) in the ground. It was a first visit to Canyon De Chelly and the Grand Canyon for all of us. A great time was had by all!

The next day we drove through Oak Creek Canyon, Sedona, then south through Red Rock Canyon and back to the Phoenix area. Each of the canyons we visited had their own personality, beauty and drama but we were more impressed by Canyon De Chelly than the others because of the cliff dwellings and an "**other world**" feeling that projects from the canyon.

We ended our trip in Washington and Oregon to visit more of my family. We held our family reunion to celebrate my mother turning 91 years old in January. Most of my family came from near and far to attend this wonderful event. It has been a long time since we had so many of us together at one time. Ron and I also had a day to photograph hunting/retriever dogs at my brother's Cedarville Farms hunting club near Oakville, WA. The day was perfect and so were the dogs. Their owners were fun, too!

SOUTH DAKOTA, 2009 Our 16th summer as artists-in-residence at a resort in the beautiful Black Hills of South Dakota, started in early July and continued until the end of

September. A highlight for us was being invited to ride in one of the chase vehicles during the annual Custer State Park Buffalo Round-up in late September. It was, indeed, quite a ride over the hills and prairie and through the ravines in a pickup truck pushing the herd to a corral area so they could be inoculated and sorted to maintain a healthy herd. We had a great driver and lots of fun.

After returning home from SD the beginning of October, I flew back out to Washington and Oregon to spend more time with my family and returned home in early November.

DECEMBER 2009 We ended our year by going to Georgia to visit with friends, then on to St. Augustine, FL, to rest and do photography at the Alligator Farm that has a wonderful bird rookery. From there we went to the Orange Lake Country Club to spend a week with our great friends, Linda and Will Hunt. While there Ron and Will golfed and relaxed and Linda and I got exercise by walking and shopping and also got to spend some time reading and relaxing. We spent much of the time photographing the wild birds in the area and we went to one of our favorite places, Homosassa Springs State Wildlife Park, to photograph all the wonderful birds and animals. This park is a must see place for anyone that loves wildlife.

2010 Our 17th summer as artists-in-residence in the Black Hills will begin on July 11 and end on October 3rd.

Here are some of the galleries where you can view our work throughout the year:

Annapolis Marine Art, Annapolis, MD – 410-263-4100

Blackhawk Gallery, Saratoga, WY – 307-326-5063

Shaman Gallery, Hot Springs, SD – 605-745-6602

Dakota Nature & Art, Hill City, SD – 605-574-2868

Please visit with the wonderful folks at these galleries and see our new works as they become available.

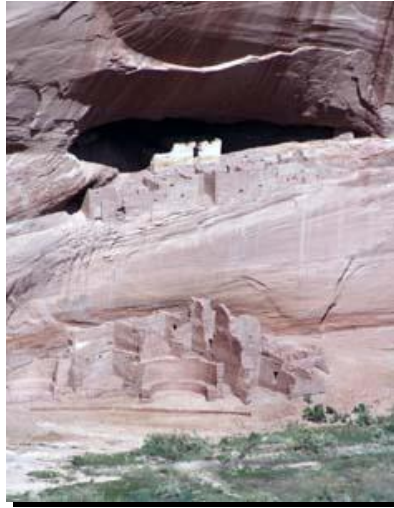
The last page of this newsletter is our photo page showing photos from some of the areas we've been telling you about. There is also a photo of my latest print and one of Ron's new originals. For more info about these please look on our web site or contact us.

Our newsletter is a joint effort by Ron and I. We hope you enjoyed it. Don't forget to occasionally look at our web site, www.lostinthewoodsstudio.com, for news and updates. If you have questions, contact us by phone – (423)775-8732 or e-mail – Lstinwoods@att.net

Kay Williams and Ron Holyfield

ARIZONA Salt River Canyon

Canyon De Chelly t White House cliff dwelling and canyon



Grand Canyon

Ron and Kay

Grand Canyon



SOUTH DAKOTA Annual Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup



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