

EUCLID ART ASSOCIATION
January 8, 2018 - Members' Night 'Show and Tell'
Diane Rogazione



Our third presenter for the evening, Diane Rogazione, also joined Euclid Art in 2017. Diane said she does a little of everything. Not only in art, but in life as well. She has an art degree from a Christian college in Missouri. Then, she went on to teach (not art however) grades 1 through 4 in California for 7 years without an elementary teaching degree. Later, she earned her teaching degree at Cleveland State University and went on to teach 24 more years at Richmond Heights Christian School. She even did missionary work in Ecuador and Guatemala. We know that Diane is an amazing watercolor artist. She took lessons from Layne Kendig. Her watercolor, *Ohio Winter*, won honorable mention at our Lakeland show this past summer...and it sold! Like she said, she does a little of everything from painting large murals...an ocean scene with mermaid on the side of a garage....to doing pet portraits on commission. She also



gets commissions to paint portraits of people as a memory of their loved ones. She said "I do art to enhance other people's lives".



Because of her love of picture books, Diane started illustrating children's books. She shared several books with us. Of special interest was her illustration of Buzz Aldrin on the moon, for a book that never got published. Diane asked us "Did we know what the first food and drink consumed on the moon was? Holy Communion!" That's an interesting story.....so we asked Diane for more and here's what she shared with us:



"To prove that the first liquid and food consumed on the moon was holy communion (but it was hushed up because of fear of backlash) type in Buzz Aldrin holy communion or Buzz Aldrin Wikipedia. On Buzz Aldrin holy communion there is a film clip that shows an actor portraying him doing it. Just think about the beauty of God's amazing universe and how overwhelmed he must have been looking out the window seeing a black sky full of blinking stars. The Earth was a blue marble off in the distance. It is no wonder to me he felt compelled to honor His Creator. So glad he had the courage to do it. So sorry my friend decided not to publish the picture book the illustration was for. It was in ABC format and told of many little-known contributions Christians have made to society. For example, did you know Margaret Hamilton was once a Sunday School teacher at a church in Cleveland Hts. in her younger years before becoming the Wicked Witch of the West in Wizard of Oz?"