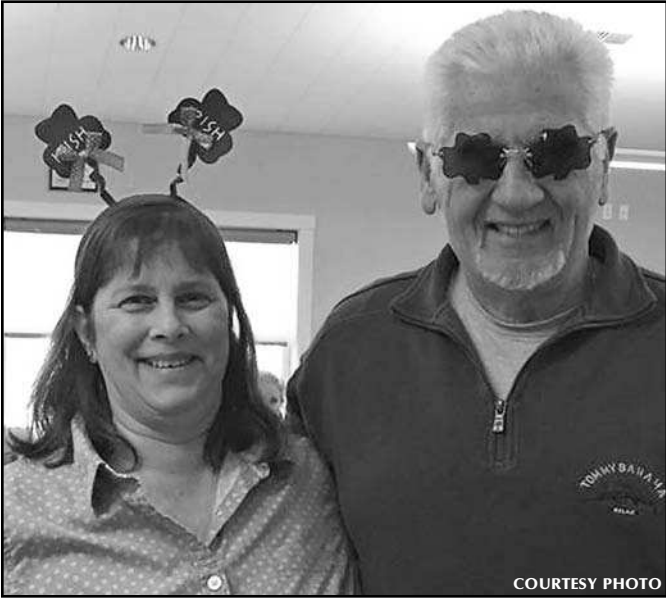


## LUCKY WINNER



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The luck o' the Irish was with Julie O'Toole (left) on St. Paddy's Day when Mayor Joe Henry (right) drew her name as the winner of the Florence Senior Center dinner raffle. O'Toole and nine of her friends will be the center's guests for a gourmet, five-course meal. O'Toole volunteers as the Bingo caller every Thursday at the Senior Center, 1570 Kingwood St.

## Reception to be held for Rosy, Pancho Clark

Last December, Best of Show winners in the Little Dickens Miniature contest were husband and wife Rosy and Pancho Clark. They are being honored with their own show at Backstreet Gallery, 1421 Bay St., beginning with a special gallery reception Saturday, April 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. during the Second Saturday Gallery Tour.

Even though these winners exhibited miniature pieces for the Dickens show, their new pieces are not restricted to small works. You'll be excited to see their full size art.

Best of Show 2-D recipient was Rosy Clark for her tiny rendition of "Simple Pleasures," a delightful watercolor. Around town, you may have seen Rosy's marvelous wall murals. In addition she paints in oils, and her present focus is on watercolors. "Best Shell Seeker" is done

in watercolor on Yupo paper, a very difficult medium.

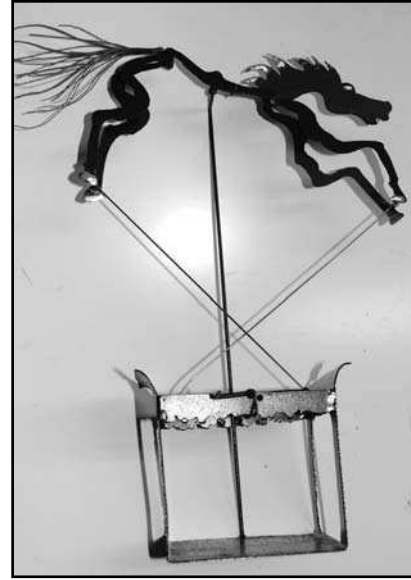
For Best of Show 3-D, Pancho created an innovative sculptural piece forged from stainless steel.

He is well known in Florence for his ingenuity and diversity of media in his sculptures that could stand alone, hang from the ceiling, or a wall.

The pieces are impressive whether they are executed as tiny sculptures or quite large works.

Made of carbon and steel, turn the handle and watch this "Kinetic Horse" run.

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"Kinetic Horse" by Pancho Clark and "Best Shell Seeker" by Rosy Clark

American style flute music as the backdrop for this amazing show and reception during the Second Saturday Gallery Tour.

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## Durst, Moore featured artists at Silver Lining Gallery

April showers bring two unique imagery artists and their striking photography to the Gallery Above the Silver Lining Boutique, 2217 Highway 101, for the month.

The gallery will host a champagne and hors d'oeuvres reception during the Second Saturday Gallery Tour, April 9, between 3 and 5 p.m.

"Your senses will be titillated, your eyes will be filled with wonder, your imagination will run wild while wonderfully trying to take in all of their combined creativity and talents," said gallery owner Kimberly Fleenor.

The two featured visual artists are Al Moore, whose work is the result of making ordinary objects extraordinary, and Bill Durst, who creates unique digital composi-



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"Old Bridge" by visual artist Bill Durst

tions using tools that are available from Photo Shop and Paint Shop.

"The results are completely astounding," said Fleenor. "His compositions begin with a purely imaginary concept and then metamorphosis takes

place."

Durst doesn't keep the record of his steps, so all of his works are truly one of a kind.

Moore has been interested in the pursuit of the perfect photographic experience from

a young age. His past experiences, such as working in the photo labs for the NASA programs and his complete passion for race cars, influence his works in ways of wonderment for the viewers.

Moore covered Formula 1, CanAm and Indy Car racing, has been published in Road and Track, AutoWeek, Racing Wheels, World Car Guide and the British magazine Motor Sport.

"Needless to say, he excels at what he loves and his attention to detail truly sets him apart from the rest," said Fleenor. "Both artists works are fresh, unabashed and filled with excitement."

Come speak to the artists during the reception about their methods, equipment and technique when creating their art.

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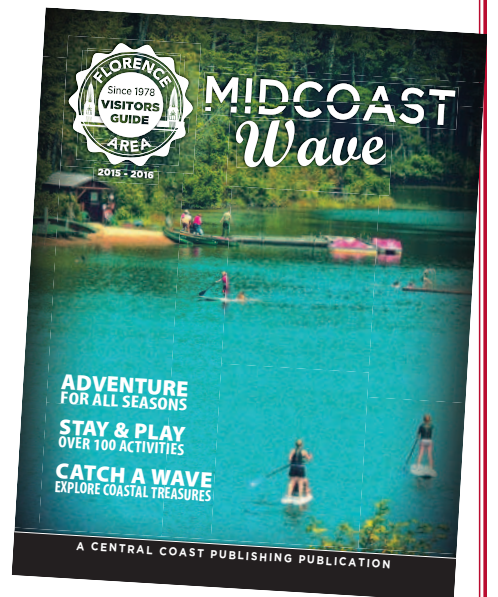
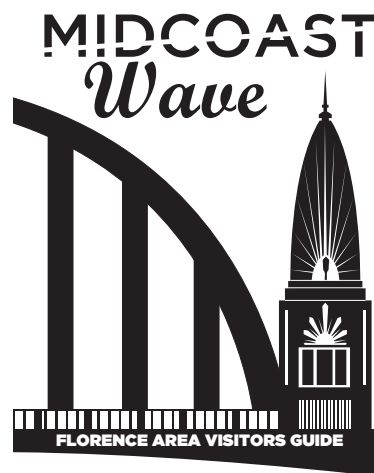
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