

January 2013 Nature Coast Decorative Artists

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Letter from PREZ:

Hi Ladies,

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas! Brrr. I hope you are all having a wonderful holiday enjoying family and friends. I have put the finishing touches on a few last ornaments, now I am turning my thoughts to 2014. Here are my early thoughts, some of which are mentioned in other columns as well.

As tradition goes we are having our **White Elephant Sale in January**. Members set up

their table space on a first come-first served basis. This is not the time to sell your pretty painted items; this is raw wood, paints, painting books, (but not painting magazines), packets, brushes, stencils, whatever. The seller keeps the money and there is no charge for table space.

White Elephant Sale

We are also having our **Soup R'Salad Bowl**, and asking those who would like to bring a sampling of soup, salad and sides for us to enjoy. We will also need some breakfast items.

At the January meeting we will put out a signup sheet for the year. We ask that each person sign up to bring goodies at least twice during the year. We think of the year as regular meetings, i.e. February, March, May, July, August, October, and November. We figure that is about 4 breakfast/snack items to select from. Fifth Saturdays, Party Days (April, June & September) and Seminars will be a separate sign up.

All **Teachers**, please **bring three projects** that you would be willing to teach to the **January** meeting. We will meet afterward to discuss selections and dates. It is not essential you bring the project; you may bring a photo or book with the project in it. If you are changing the style or instructions it would be better if you brought your project. If you have not taught before but would like to teach this year – bring some sample projects. If you can't attend the meetings get the projects to someone attending if possible. Those attending will get first choice at picking dates to teach. **We value our teachers! Please consider teaching in 2014!**

February features our **Notebook** project. Margaret Frederick is teaching.

In March we have our regular meeting on the 1st. We also have a 5th Saturday project. **March 27-30** is the SSDA Retreat in Parrish, FL. This is **the Florida State Retreat** and is a great way to meet others from chapters around the state and take from some talented national teachers, too. For info check out the website www.ssdaflorida.com I will be teaching there, so will Carole Sheftic and Ruthy Orwig. Sign up by Dec. 27th.

I am looking forward to another fun year with all my painting friends --You all have such sweet hearts. It's Painting Time! Pat Otto



Meet the new 2014 Nature Coast Decorative Painters Executive Board



President Pat Otto...1st VP/Programs Kathi Bruckner and Linda Duff (not in picture)... 2nd VP/Membership Carole Sheftic... Secretary Beverly Brockschmidt... Treasurer Carol Hechler

Programs... Seminars and Workshops: Kathi Bruckner and Linda Duff

January 4, 2014 Soup and Salad Luncheon & White Elephant Sale.



This is one of our most popular meetings. Bring in soup or salad enough to serve 8-10 people. If you are not into cooking, you can bring drinks, desserts, or sides. We also need breakfast items.

Members are invited to bring in paint related items to sell at a "garage sale" price to other members. This is a great time to clear out duplicates or stuff you no longer want. Then you can go buy someone else's treasures and stuff they don't want! We are asking that you do not bring <u>Painting Magazines</u>. We are going to have a magazine sale in Feb to benefit the club. Painting books are okay

this month, we would just ask that you hold off on the magazines. The Sale starts after the Meeting. Members who are selling may buy before the meeting. No painting projects will be offered that day.

TEACHERS FOR 2014..please bring your projects to the meeting after the White Elephant Sale and Luncheon. Read the President's letter for details.

FEBRUARY 4, 2014 Margaret Fredrick will teach a pen and ink pattern suitable for a notebook cover. Cost \$5.00. Pattern & prep instructions will be available at the January meeting, on the website and in the Feb newsletter.

Looking for the December <u>Nature Coast Decorative Artists Meeting</u> <u>Minutes</u> ... no Dec. meeting / no minutes!

Secret Sister Gift Exchange...Jeanette Seese

Thanks again to all who have participated in this year's Secret Sister. I plan to give out new information papers to fill out, and also put in the Newsletter, starting in Jan.

This year I thought we'd try again for 3 gifts: smaller ones in MARCH, the Sister's BIRTHDAY month (you might have to be a little sneakier for this), and the bigger one for December. I know this is a change, but let's give it a

try. For those with birthdays in January and February, the Secret Sister can pick any month to give them their present (a fun surprise, huh?).

The plan is a little more complex, but this year I'll keep track of the Secret Sister picks, and will remind the gifter ahead of time via email. Unfortunately, I'll know my own Secret Sister, but that's the way it goes.

I'll be ready to give out the information papers in January, along with a review. We'll pick names in February. I really hope we get a lot of participants, as everyone likes to get gifts, and you really don't have to break the bank to make someone feel special!

Sunshine Jeanette Seese

Jeanette, the Sunshine Chair-lady, will begin sending cards for birthdays, get wells, and sympathies starting in January. I will use the Membership list for birthdays and addresses. Please make sure your info is up-to-date. Unless I am notified, I will not be able to know who's is ill, etc..



If your NCDA friend is under the weather, or has suffered a setback, please notify me. I prefer e-mail, but feel free to call as well. I'll endeavor to be as prompt as possible.

Birthday Raffle...Sharon Poorman

Birthdays for January

January 2.... Pat Landry January 7... Pat Thompson January 12... Kathi Bruckner

Just a reminder on How it Works!!!!

..... On your birthday month, as a member, it is your responsibility to bring in a nicely painted gift, a gift certificate, or painting items, (valued at \$20 - not used) wrapped beautifully to entice the sale of raffle tickets.

It is a once-a-year donation so it is nice to make it a special treat that the recipient will treasure. Did you know that if you do not like to shop or wrap..... just give your monetary donation to Sharon and she will shop for you.

If you win remember that everyone looks forward to seeing the gifts, so leave them displayed until people have had a chance to admire them.

If you are going to be absent on your birthday month or do not want to participate, please tell Sharon ahead of time so she can make arrangements. We ask all snowbirds that will have a birthday while gone for the summer to please bring their gift in during April or May if possible. **Dec. ? Bring in Nov.**

Board Meeting etc.

The January Board meeting will be right after the January Sale and Luncheon and will focus on the submission of teachers projects.



NCDA Treasurer Report...Carol Hechler

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Financial Report



Beginning Balance

\$5,476.27

Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists, is hosting a two day Deby Welty, TDA, seminar during the first weekend of February.

http://www.citrusridge.org/meetings.html contact... Vicki.Alley@citrusworld.com

Membership.... Carole Sheftic

We still have a few members who have not paid their 2014 NCDA membership. If you are planning on joining please bring your checks or 2 ten dollar bills to the January meeting. One check should be made out to WWSC and the other to NCDA. You can print a form off from the October or November newsletter or wait and Carole will have forms at the beginning of the January meeting. Forms must be updated each year to help keep our records current.

at Csheftic@bellsouth.net so that she can update the Membership list and Photo booklet.

We did hear from Ruthie and she will not be joining but has joined a few groups up in the North Carolina area already. She says hello to everyone.

NEW ADDRESS NOTIFICATION:

Dottie Ptaszynski has spent the last week moving AGAIN. Her new "permanent" address is...

308 W. Climbing Ivy Court Hernando, FL 34442

Her phone number and e-mail remain the same.

INCOME

Christmas Party Tickets	\$555.00
Christmas Party Raffle	\$405.00
Membership	\$20.00

Total \$980.00 \$6,456.27

EXPENSES

SDP Insurance		\$93.00
Christmas Party supplies(Pat Otto)		\$31.22
Silverthorn Golf & Resort		\$672.42
Hospitality (Carol Hechler)		\$45.19
SDP 2014 Chapter Form		\$39.50
Certificates-Charms-badges-programs		\$132.95
Web-site adjustment		\$7.90
	Total	\$1,022.18

Ending Balance \$5,434.09

Library....Rhonda Norton

If you will **not** be joining for 2014 please e-mail Carole Please check out the list of library videos and books that are available to you from our library. Just go to our web page www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com and click on the LIBRARY icon on the bottom of our home page.

Editor...Carole Sheftic

I hope that everyone is enjoying a Joyous Christmas Season and may you all have a Happy and Healthy New Year.

I am in the middle of updating our web page for the new year but just wanted to let you know that we have a NEW map of the layout of all our tables at the meetings. Please take a minute and refresh yourself so you know where to sign up for what and where etc. There is also a new (better) form for turning in your receipts. Find both by clicking on the icons are on the website home page.

Code of Ethics from the Society of Decorative Painters

We, as members of the Society of Decorative Painters, in order to encourage interest in and appreciation for the art of decorative painting and provide encouragement and support of the Society itself, do pledge our adherence to this code of ethical behavior. The Society's code is an expression of its members' determination to maintain high professional standards and the conscience of the individual who subscribes to this code is the only guarantee of its effectiveness. I pledge myself:

To promote a climate of genuine respect, mutual cooperation and friendship among all members

To seek and maintain associations with fellow members for the purpose of creating a friendly atmosphere in which the free exchange of opinions, ideas and knowledge will be mutually beneficial and enjoyable

To understand the necessity for mutual cooperation among all members: students, teachers, shop owners, authors, publishers, manufacturers and distributors, recognizing the diversity of philosophies, painting methods, techniques and media that make the Society unique.

To maintain the highest standard of honesty and to assure that all promotion and advertising shall be free of claims that are false, misleading or disparaging of others.

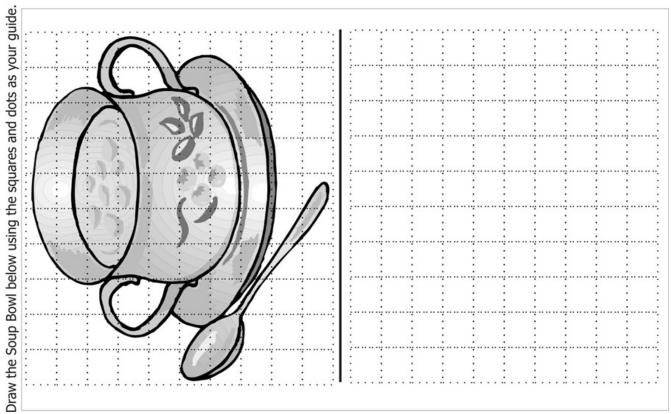
To recognize the primary purpose of the Society's emblem is to promote or stimulate interest in the art of decorative painting, and the use of this emblem reflects the reputation of the Society itself.

To be aware of and comply with all copyright laws both as they pertain to the misuse of artwork created by another and as they pertain to the reproduction of patterns, drawings, books, designs and all published materials.

To conduct myself with courtesy, thoughtfulness and fairness to others. To adhere faithfully to this code of ethics and by good example inspire my fellow members to do likewise.

Just some reminders..... And more reminders.... **Before You Leave Home** When you get to the meeting.... Sign In **Check List:** Give Membership any change in e-mail or home address or phone number Pay for workshop or Seminar Do I have money for class? Bring food to the Kitchen area Do I have my paints, brushes, Put down paint supplies and get water project and supplies? See what classes are coming up Do I have food for the hospitality table? Return or check out Videos / books Check for free stuff Do I have my video to return? Deliver Philanthropic items Let the President know if you have a Do I have a Show 'N Tell item to bring? committee report Get some coffee and goodies Do any prep work for today's class

Hug somebody!!!!!



For those of you who would like to improve your drawing skills we are again giving you a practice project each month. Please bring your drawing to the meeting for a chance to win a prize.

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To Be announced

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