



**April 2014 Nature Coast Decorative Artists**

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## **Letter from the PREZ :**

Hi Everyone,

We have had a busy year so far. Louise Jackson taught an incredible seminar. We have a fifth Saturday this month and some of us are venturing off to the Florida State Retreat.

**April** will start with our Lunch Exchange in a decorated container. I have mine finished. Hope you are working on yours as it is so much fun when there are lots of choices. I can't wait to see how creative everyone will be.

Don't forget Secret Sister, our raffle of raw wood pieces and the drawing in the newsletter. We will, of course, have the Birthday Raffle and Show and Tell.

I will be demo/teaching some of the pieces I displayed last month done with Deco Art glass paint. There are a variety of techniques and Deco Art sent some paint so if you don't want to do the one I am teaching you can try another technique. They sent a DVD with basic instructions. Bring a glass object such as a vase or ornament, either clear or opaque. This works best with soft inexpensive brushes. Bring paper towels, brushes, any palette and a surface. There is no pattern.

Since we will have more time to discuss things I would like to have some input on a fall function. We have been having Tables and Treasures every other year. I do not want to head that up this year. If someone is willing to do it we can discuss that. T&T was always so nice I would like to stop before it goes downhill and people lose interest. We also need a Christmas Party chairman. One idea to discuss is having a new program this year that combines the Christmas Party and T&T. The suggestion was to have a Christmas Brunch that we sell tickets to. We would have hostesses that decorate the tables with different centerpieces (but not place settings) and have the basket raffle and Chinese auction. Members can invite their friends and all can participate in all raffles, and get favors. Ideas have been discussed on how it would work, but nothing decided yet.

I know this is a BIG departure from the norm and no one likes change! But it would save having two committees and two functions close together requiring work from everyone at a busy time of the year. As I said it will be something to talk about and hear your input on – that's why I am giving you a "heads up" to think about it beforehand and talk it over in your groups.

In May, Pat Landry has planned to teach the little porcelain pitcher. There is a photo on the website under programs. We will need a headcount to order the pitchers. Please look at the picture of the pitcher and let us know at the meeting or send word with someone. They will be \$6.95 I think. The pattern can be painted on another object or even on wood with the right preparation.

There is a lot going on, so we hope you can make the meeting to give your input.

It's time to paint!

Pat

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

**March 29<sup>th</sup>** ....Hope everyone has their canvas all prepared for the upcoming 5th. Saturday that Hazel will be teaching. On the web site and also at the end of this newsletter there is the pattern and all the supplies needed to complete it. Hazel says “ If you're having trouble finding the Renaissance Brown, or have it, maybe a few could bring to share with the others.” Kathy found some at Joanne Fabrics, and will be happy to share. Also bring a small container and a good pallet knife as that is what you will be using to put on the Texture Glass. Hazel will supply that, and also has about 6 stencils that we could share.



**April 5th**.....is our Basket lunch container exchange, so paint up a basket, or anything you can put a lunch in, to exchange that day. Pat Otto will be teaching a short class on painting on glass with special paint she has that kinda looks like “mud”. So bring a small glass something to paint on. We will also start our Secret Sister exchange in April, so don't forget that.



## May's Workshop...with Pat Landry



We will be taking orders for the porcelain pitcher (approx. \$6.95 ) at the April meeting so that we have time to have the order delivered by the May meeting.

## Ways and Means Monthly and Birthday Raffle...Sharon Poorman

The theme for the extra raffle for April is Raw Wood. This is to be donated to the club. I can't wait to see what everyone brings in for the cup auction.

For the Birthday Raffle PLEASE bring in your gift if you did not bring it last month.

The Birthdays for the month of April are:

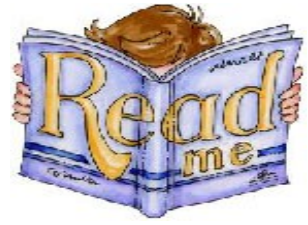
6<sup>th</sup>.....Virginia Olsen  
8<sup>th</sup>.....Marilynne Kelly  
11<sup>th</sup>....Lynda Goodman  
26<sup>th</sup>....Sandy Milhalus



Sharon will call you to remind you to bring your gift just in case you forgot or you can text or e-mail her to arrange a different date. We like to have at least 3 gifts on the table.

## **Nature Coast Decorative Artists** **Meeting Minutes**

Nature Coast Decorative Artist Chapter Meeting  
Weeki Wachi Senior Center  
Spring Hill, FL  
Date: March 1, 2014



President Pat Otto called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Pat announced it would be a short meeting so that we could start our **Louise Jackson Seminar**. Pat said we would not have the normal committee reports, but would have our raffles and show and tell.

Pat said the first order of business was to get volunteers for the **April Open House**. We need volunteers to man the kitchen, host the NCDA info and display table and to run the NCDA sale table as well as have anyone volunteer to set up their own items for sale. Ellen Annibali and Jean Thompson volunteered to help where needed and Jeanette volunteered to have a sale table.

Next month is our **Basket Lunch Exchange**. Pat encouraged all to participate and said she would talk about the project for next month when Show and Tell was presented as her items were there.

Jeanette Seese said the **Secret Sister exchange** starts next month, but she did have a present for Eileen from her Secret Sister. Eileen opened and displayed her gift.

Ellen's sister Ann is visiting and painting with us. She brought a display of African paintings and jewelry made by people in a Ugandan village. Proceeds from the items help women to support and feed their families.

Sharon Poorman held the **Painted Piece raffle** and the **Birthday Raffle**. There were many happy recipients. Next month's general raffle will be a **Raw Wood Piece Raffle**.

Show and Tell featured:

Sandy Mihalus' zebra watercolor, Florida State Fair ribbon winner Mary Davis, Jeanette Seese's gold leaf/painted tray, Jean Thompson's Whimsical lady on the moon.

Pat Otto showed several glass pieces painted with DecoArt glass paint she received as chapter President.

The technique we will paint in April is a floral design similar to Margot Clark's. Pat's sample was gold paint on a black vase.

Louise Jackson was introduced and the seminar started around 10:00 AM

Respectfully submitted by Pat Otto  
for Beverly Brockschmidt

## Secret Sister Gift Exchange...Jeanette Seese

Remember that we will exchange our first Secret Sister gift at the April meeting. If you cannot attend, please send your Sister's gift in with another member, and make arrangements to have yours picked up. Use a brown paper bag with the recipient's name clearly marked on the outside. A card is optional. The next gift giving will be at your discretion, and the last one will be at Christmas. Let's all be ready for surprises!



## Sunshine ..... Jeanette Seese



A thinking of you card has been sent to Doris Trudeau and Hazel Dickson; a birthday card to Virginia Hughes.

Please let Jeanette know if any one needs a special card.

# HELP

## Friendly People Needed

**April 12**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of April Weeki Wachee Senior Club is having an OPEN HOUSE. We (NCDA) are providing coffee and snacks from 9-12.(noon)**

We need volunteers to

- 1) Keep coffee on, just be friendly to the people who come and keep the kitchen tidied up.
- 2) Stand behind our table and show what we do. Promote our chapter. (And be friendly)
- 3) Stand behind our 2<sup>nd</sup> table and sell our painted things. (And be friendly)
- 4) This is not a "need" but you may sell your own items at a table for \$10.00. These do not have to be painted items it can be jewelry, knitting paper crafts etc. Just not yard sale items. You may set up the night before.



### Just some reminders..... Before You Leave Home



#### Check List:

- \_\_\_ Do I have money for class?
- \_\_\_ Do I have my paints, brushes, project and supplies?
- \_\_\_ Do I have food for the hospitality table?
- \_\_\_ Do I have my video to return?
- \_\_\_ Do I have a Show 'N Tell item to bring?

#### When you get to the meeting....

- \_\_\_ Sign In
- \_\_\_ Give Membership any change in e-mail or home address or phone number
- \_\_\_ Pay for workshop or Seminar
- \_\_\_ Bring food to the Kitchen area
- \_\_\_ Put down paint supplies and get water etc.
- \_\_\_ See what classes are coming up
- \_\_\_ Return or check out Videos / books
- \_\_\_ Check for free stuff
- \_\_\_ Deliver Philanthropic items
- \_\_\_ Let the President know if you have a committee report
- \_\_\_ Get some coffee and goodies
- \_\_\_ Do any prep work for today's class
- \_\_\_ Hug somebody!!!!

## Board Meeting etc.

The April Board meeting will be  
on Tuesday  
April 8<sup>th</sup>  
at the WWSC building  
at  
10:00 a.m.



## Membership.... Pat Landry

Please remember to keep Pat updated on any changes with your membership information.

## Hospitality

No one has signed up to bring breakfast items for the month of April.

Please consider bringing a snack to share for the morning coffee. Your donation does not need to be homemade. You can bring a purchased goodie from a store such as Publix or Dunkin Donuts.

The only requirement is that it be edible.

**Thanks to everyone...as usual all donations are greatly appreciated.**



## Library....Rhonda Norton



Please let Rhonda know if she can be of any help in bringing you materials from our Library.

## NCDA Treasurer Report...Carol Hechler

### Nature Coast Decorative Artists - March 2014

#### Financial Report



#### Beginning Balance

\$6,016.98

#### INCOME

Seminar Fees (Louise Jackson)	\$390.00	
Ways & Means ( B-day Raffle )	\$50.00	
" " (Painted items )	\$40.00	
Seminar Watercolor Boards	\$90.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$570.00</b>	<b>\$6,586.98</b>

#### EXPENSES

Seminar Instructor Fee (Louise Jackson)	\$1,000.40
Seminar Supplies ( Pat Otto )	\$100.77
WWSC (Sunday seminar)	\$25.00
Seminar ( Hotel & Pattern )	\$193.05
Webmaster (Carole Sheftic )	\$9.80

**Total**      **\$1,329.02**

#### Ending Balance

**\$5,257.96**

### Student's General Supply List for a Seminar / workshop or Class:

- Disposable or Dry Wax Palette
- Paper Towels - for clean up
- Pencil - for transferring patterns to surface
- Sandpaper/disk (only if needed for project)
- Water basin - to clean brushes (2 sections nice)
- Stylus Tool
- Graphite paper (light and dark)
- Tracing paper - for transferring patterns
- Ruler - to measurement placement
- Scissors
- Palette Knife
- Cotton Swabs
- Chalk Pencil
- Ball Point Pen (for note taking)
- Notepad (to take class notes)
- Kneaded Eraser (Art Eraser) - to remove pattern lines
- Masking or painters' tape
- Brushes (your favorites)
- A bottle of your basecoat color for touch-up
- Sponge Roller - for base coating, optional
- Old Toothbrush -used for certain techniques
- Blow Dryer or battery mini fan
- Odorless thinner and or/mediums if using oils



## BUTTERFLY FANTASY

**March 29th 5th Saturday Workshop**

**PATTERN BY - JUDY RIBITCH**

Taught by Hazel Dickson



### PALETTE DECOART

Lamp Black  
Ocean Blue  
Sapphire  
Avocado

Driftwood  
Admiral Blue  
Midnight Green  
Plantation Pine

Light Cinnamon  
Titanium White  
Cadmium Yellow  
Hauser Light Green

Dazzling Metallics-  
Festive Green

Renaissance Brown

Multi-Purpose Sealer  
Faux Glazing Medium  
Texture Glass  
Tracy Moreau Texture Stencils-  
Royal Tile (TS07)  
Scrapbook Paper of Choice  
Cosmetic Sponge  
12 x 12 wrapped Canvas  
Water Basin, Stylis, Palette Knife, Tracing Paper, Grey Graphite

Flutterbies (TS10)

### BRUSHES-

1/4 AND 1/2 angulars  
10/0 liner  
1" wash  
#4 round  
1/4 " deerfoot  
Small domed round

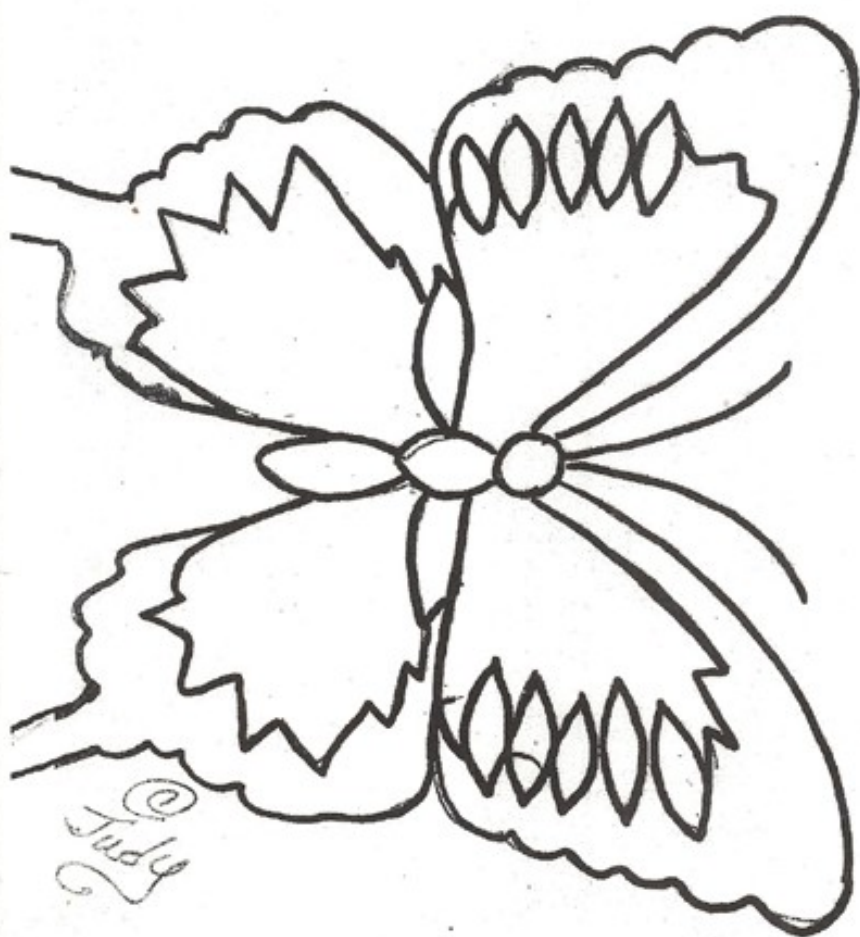
**PREP- Basecoat the canvas with Driftwood using your 1" wash brush. Allow this to dry.**

**Tear the edges of the scrapbook paper. When you rip the paper, pull the pieces towards you. This will allow some of the underneath paper to show.**

**Apply a heavy layer of Multi-Purpose Sealer on the canvas. Lay scrapbook paper onto the wet surface. Brush out any air bubbles that might appear with your wash brush. Do not overbrush! The wet paper will tear. Allow this to dry overnight.**

**Mix Renaissance Brown with Faux Glazing Medium. Apply a layer of this mixture over the entire canvas. Working quickly, wipe off excess with a piece of paper towel.**

**Please check the photo under Programs to see the placement of the line drawing on the canvas.**

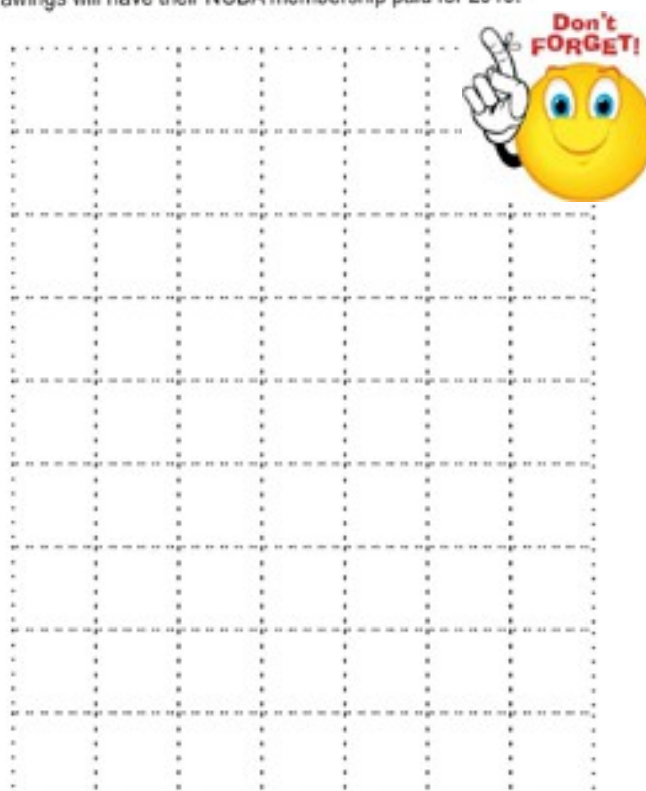


For those of you who would like to improve your drawing skills we are again giving you a practice project each month.

Please bring your drawing to the next meeting.

Draw the Easter Bunny below using the squares and dots as a guide

Members who bring the drawing in to the next meeting are eligible for a drawing for a prize. Those who bring in the next consecutive 10 drawings will have their NCDA membership paid for 2015.



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