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Nature Coast Decorative Artists

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## Letter from PREZPAT :

Hi Everyone

I hope you are having as much fun painting as I am this month. So many pretty flowers are popping out and the weather is perfect for plein air painting.

April's Lunch Exchange was great fun – seeing all the creativity and variety of designs is always inspiring. There were many cries of “Let’s do this again!” – and the lunches were delicious. Great job!

May's program features our friend and past President, Renee Burton. Renee has been a member for years but has not been to meetings due to Saturday commitments. Those of you who have not had a chance to learn from Renee's thorough and easy going teaching will be delighted at how easy she makes it to produce a lovely painting. See the Program column for all the info.

We need to start thinking ahead to July as the first Saturday is our Fourth of July and Big Birthday Bash. NCDNA provides fried chicken and we bring lots of salads, side dishes and dessert. Since this year we did not have a Birthday Raffle each month, you get to bring your special gift (\$20 or more value) all wrapped up. Those who bring a gift get a ticket and go home with a birthday gift that they have picked out from the table full of presents. A lot of the fun is in painting something special or buying something that you know painter's need and seeing the person unwrap and love your gift. So start thinking and planning now. It should be fully wrapped, not a basket with cellophane wrap that you can see. A card with your name should be inside, part of the surprise!

It is great to see everyone join in to help make coffee and clean up. Our Hospitality Chairperson, Hazel, is a snowbird and is leaving soon. She can relax and enjoy her time up north knowing y'all will pitch hit for her during the summer.

Thanks a bunch! See you next month.

*It's time to paint,*

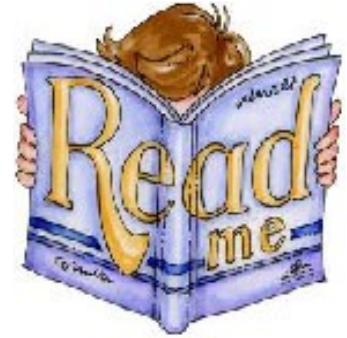
*Pat Otto*



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## *Nature Coast Decorative Artists Meeting Minutes*

NCDA CHAPTER MEETING  
Weeki Wachi Senior Center  
Spring Hill, FL  
Date: April 6, 2013



President, Pat Otto called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M.

**WELCOME:** President – Pat Otto welcomed all and showed us pictures of her new grandson, Joseph Allen. Congratulations to Pat & her family. She thanked Sharon for teaching the 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday class. It was a great success. Pat also reminded everyone that the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month she will open the club house from 9AM to Noon for finishing or starting new work. The price is \$25.00, which is divided between the number of attendees. Please come and have some fun.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FIRST VP-PROGRAMS:** Sandy Mihalus is not here today, so Pat Otto reported on upcoming workshops.

**May:** Renee Burton will be teaching a watercolor. The picture is on the web site. She is doing all the prep work, so you just bring your watercolors if you have them. Renee is a very talented teacher, so please take advantage of this opportunity to learn watercolor.

**June:** Jeanette Seese will be teaching Pink & Chocolate Hibiscus, an acrylic by Naomi Ullum CDA. The pattern and instructions are on page 107 of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 issue of the Decorative Painter.

**October:** We will have a 2 day seminar with Melissa Miller Nece from Palm Harbor, Florida. This will be done using Watercolor Pencils and you must attend both Saturday and Sunday. The price is \$50.00 each day.

**SECOND VP-MEMBERSHIP:** Rhonda Norton reported 22 members present.

**NEWSLETTER/WEB MASTER:** Carole Sheftic reported the deadline for articles is April 15, 2013. She mentioned the pictures from the Elephant Tails trip to Williston, Fl. are on the web site.

**SECRETARY:** Pat Landry is sitting in for Bev today. The minutes were in the newsletter. Sharon Poorman moved to accept the minutes as published. JoAnne Raymond seconded the motion.

**TREASURER:** Pat Thompson reported the Treasurers Report was in the newsletter. Hazel Dickson made a motion to accept the report as published. Carol Hechler seconded the motion.

**HOSPITALITY:** Hazel Dickson thanked all who brought food donations today. She has a sign-up sheet for donations for May. The theme is Italian. Please let Hazel know what you will bring.

**FRIENDSHIP GATHERINGS:** Dani Jacques was not present. Check the newsletter for the May gathering.

**PHILANTHROPIC:** Ellen Annibali reported the Habitat for Humanity Restore is coming great. She thanked all who helped. There are still 5 more signs to be painted. For those who took them home,

they need to be back by April 19<sup>th</sup>. Some of the girls will stay to paint this afternoon. Check the pictures on the web site.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** JoAnne Raymond will be the chairperson this year. The party will be December 7, 2013 at the Silverthorn Country Club in Spring Hill, Florida. The theme will be a "Southern Christmas".

**OLD BUSINESS:** Pat Otto needs to know the names of all the people involved in the Basic #1 class. Everyone that is involved needs to have everything in by the June meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Hazel Dickson brought in a new magazine called "Paint it Today". It is on the newsstands now. The subscription price is \$9.95 for 6 issues. What a bargain. You can subscribe online at [www.paint-it-today.com](http://www.paint-it-today.com).

**SHOW & TELL:** The ladies out did themselves this month. There were many beautiful pieces shown. Good job, ladies.

**BOARD MEETING:** The next board meeting will be at Silverthorn Country Club on Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. All members can attend and they will have lunch and tour the space for the Christmas Party.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Pat Otto moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Patricia Landry, sitting in for Beverly Brockschmidt, Secretary.*

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**NCDA May**  
**BOARD Meeting**

**Wednesday**  
**May 8th, 2013**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**At the home of**  
**Beverly Brockschmidt**  
**2145 W Learwood Place**  
**Beverly Hills, FL34465**

**Please RSVP**  
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## Programs....Sandy Mihalus

**May 4, 2013: A Great White Heron....** a watercolor project taught by Renee Burton. Cost: \$5.00

Watercolors needed: Burnt Sienna, Cad Yellow Medium, Rose, Grumbacher Red, Hooker's Green, Turquoise, Ultramarine Blue, Indigo. Suggested Brands: Grumbacher, Sue Schewee, Cheap Joe's American Journey. Paper towels, watercolor palette, 2 water buckets, and a small bottle cap.

Bring your favorite brushes including a liner, rounds, 3/4 flat, and a 3/4 foliage brush are also needed. No oil brushes please. Acrylic brushes may be used, but be sure no paint is left in the ferrule.

PLUS one OLD #4 or #6 round!!!!

The pattern is already on the watercolor paper, but you will need to apply maskit in the morning before the class. The chapter will supply the maskit. This is a fun and beautiful project.



**June 1, 2013: Pink & Chocolate Hibiscus** taught in Acrylics by Jeanette Seese. Cost \$5.00 The picture, pattern, and all needed supplies are in The Decorative Painter Issue 1, 2013 on page 107. (the one with the candles on the front). Or you may go to the SDP website and print the instructions for that particular project. <http://www.decorativepainters.org>



**June 29, 2013: COLOR MIXING WORKSHOP..taught by Pat Otto. More info coming.**

**July 6, 2013: Picnic and Birthday Party** Cost: \$5.00 This is our yearly birthday party. Bring a Birthday Present wrapped all pretty and such, and get a ticket. When the tickets are drawn, you may choose the birthday bag of your choice. You can only choose a present if you brought one. Please make sure the bag is worth at least \$20.00. This is the only time this year we will celebrate birthdays. Pat Thompson will be our Hospitality Chairwoman for that day. She will be coordinating the food for the luncheon. This is always a fun time and completely stress-free. A short workshop will follow.

## Library... Chris Soyk

**Maureen McNaughton Patterns:** Sandy Mihalus has the Maureen McNaughton patterns Maureen donated to our chapter.. You may check out the patterns you wish to paint, and bring them back the next month.

**Chris says...Just a note of thanks to all for the get well wishes and cards. Hope to be back soon from this accident that took a tole on my health.**

*Miss you all.*

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## Sunshine...Dani Jacques



**May Birthday**

**May 28 .....Donna Slutiak**

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## Bits and Pieces



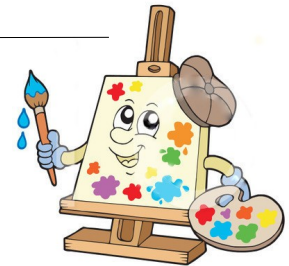
**Fun was had by all at Two Tails Ranch. Please check out our web site for more pics.**

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### TGIF-Painting Day

#### The Third Friday of the month – 9 am - noon



We have booked three Fridays to start a new club at WWSC. This club only requires membership in WWSC, **not** NCDA or SDP. For now it is everyone brings something to paint and we inspire and help each other. Initially the thought was “Painting Just for Me” Many of us have bought special items and packets that we have had for years and just haven’t gotten around to painting them. This is a time to spread out (you get a whole table if you want), and not worry about distractions like the phone or a pile of ironing calling your name.

Others wish to prepare a surface for the next class, finish last month’s project or just look through patterns and hang out.

This is a great time to invite a friend who may be interested in painting but doesn’t know if she wants to invest \$50 in SDP. Maybe you know someone who used to be in our chapter but can’t come regularly.

The fee is \$10/year to WWSC. If you are a member of NCDA, you already belong because that is included in our \$20 membership.

Next date to remember is **May 17**. We already had two meetings. We had a ball.

Put it on your calendar, tell your friends and join us.

## Christmas Party - Chairperson - JoAnne Raymond



The Christmas Party will be at Silverthorn Country Club on Barclay Ave in Spring Hill this year, on December 7th 11am-2pm. The theme is Southern Christmas with the centerpieces featuring a painted magnolia design (to be determined). We will be having the Chinese Raffle, so think about painting something really nice. You may bring the piece the day of the party, but let JoAnne know the approximate size so she will have table space. It is always nice to bring in enough money from the raffle to cover expense for the Christmas Party and have some left over for our treasury. Items do not have to be painted, for example, you may bring items like a Christmas wreath, a gift basket of coffees or quilted purse. Items should be hand made by you – no re-gifting please.



Are you in this photo? No...Maybe it is because you have not participated in the Basic One class yet! These members have learned so much by getting back to the basics. It's not too late to find a Basic One teacher and get your project started. Check our home page on our web site for more information.

***KEEP SCROLLING THERE IS ONE MORE PAGE.....***

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*\*asterick by the title denotes a voting member*

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Start Planning now!!!!!!!

Sunshine State Decorative Artists  
**2014 RETREAT**



**March 27-30, 2014**

**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?

**And more reminders....**

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

**NEW INFO FOR DECORATIVE PAINTERS**

Do you have projects that are called "UNDONES"?

Do you have things started in class and almost finished? Come on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month – May 17 and paint with us at Weeki Wachee Seniors Club from 9 am – noon. **Or contact Pat Otto who is starting a service of finishing your undones at the low price of \$10/hour.** This does not include varnishing.

**PJ OTTO DESIGNS**

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Classes starting in May  
at Pat's studio in Lecanto

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**Tuesday Morning:**

**Open Painting 9:30 - 12:30. \$10**

This class allows each person to work at their own pace on their own project with individual help from the teacher. Class size limited to 8 students. Payment by the month is preferred. Missed classed may be made up at later date.

**Wednesday Morning:**

**Paint along 9:30 - 2:30. \$15**

Projects selected and advertised monthly. This class paints projects together with teacher. Classes may be in oil, acrylic or watercolor. Some projects may take up to four weeks to complete.

Email [pjottodesigns@gmail.com](mailto:pjottodesigns@gmail.com) for a class schedule and/or more information.

