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Letter from PREZPAT :

Hi Ladies,

We had so much fun at the May meeting! Thank you Renee for a great lesson in watercolor. Most of you don't know that Renee donated her teaching fee back to the chapter. That was very generous. It shows her love of teaching and seeing you learn is her reward.

Monthly classes are so much fun I am sorry I am going to miss Jeanette's lovely Hibiscus as I will be in Nashville with my kids and grandchildren. I will be back for the board meeting on the 5th.

CONGRATULATIONS to Carole Sheftic! I hope you all saw her beautiful magnolia featured in the Decorative Painter. It listed her as an ODA member, but we claim her as ours too! The original painting was large and very impressive. It photographed well in the magazine. Yay Carole!

The last Saturday in June is my color mixing class. I think you will enjoy seeing all you can do with a limited palette. It will help you with acrylics and watercolor as well.

At the July picnic, not much will be going on except the short faux marquetry class and the birthday gift exchange. I forgot to mention at the meeting that I would like to have a raffle that month. I would like it to be like the one Darlene did with surfaces donated by members. It will be like a Chinese auction and you bid on pieces you want. Please go through your stash of wood, tin, porcelain and frames and find something to donate. If it is an unusual shape please bring a pattern or packet to go with it. We will set aside a table in "the cove" for all the stuff brought in. That's July 6th. We have not had a fund raiser this year, so please participate by bringing or buying tickets. Thanks!

The library took up several shelves in our cabinet, but the membership voted to keep the library rather than dissolve it. Since Chris Soyk has been dealing with an injury and hasn't been able to attend meetings, Ellen Annibali offered to store it at her house. The library is a great FREE resource that is not being used much. Let's all try to take out at least one CD over the summer and bring the painted item to show and tell. Maybe we can give a raffle ticket for a special item to those who complete a project from the library. The Maureen McNaughton patterns are included in this group.

I was happy to see so many at Show and Tell. Keep bringing things in to keep us inspired!

It's	time	to	paint,

Pat Otto

Nature Coast Decorative Artists Meeting Minutes

NCDA CHAPTER MEETING

Weeki Wachi Senior Center Spring Hill, FL Date: May 4, 2013

PRESIDENT: Pat Otto called the meeting to order at 9:12 A.M. and welcomed all attendees.

Read

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>FIRST VP-PROGRAMS:</u> Sandy Mihalus said we have free patterns from Maureen McNaughton. Members can borrow a pattern, however they should sign their name, date and which pattern they are taking. It will be on the honor system.

There are two sets of paint left from Maureen McNaughton's seminar. If you took the seminar you may borrow one of the paint sets.

June: Jeanette Seese will teach the Pink & Chocolate Hibiscus by Naomi Ullum CDA. The instructions are in the SDP Magazine Issue #1, 2013. Members may use any color, however they should not disrupt the class to inquire how to use their special colors.

June 5th Saturday: Pat Otto will teach oil color mixing. It will be a two part class. The first part will be mixing colors using Alizarin Crimson, Cadmium Yellow Medium and Prussian Blue. (Also a little White). The second part will be painting an 8X10 flower. The picture and pattern will be in the newsletter. Members can request a palette from Pat. Background color is Robin Egg Blue or Blue Wisp. The cost of the workshop will be \$10 and members are to bring their own bag lunch.

July: Picnic/Birthday Gifts. All members are asked to bring a wrapped Birthday Gift worth \$20 or more to the party. Members will pay the usual fee of \$5.00. Those who bring a gift will get a ticket and pick a gift when their number is drawn. There will be a food sign up sheet in June and Sandy Mihalus will bring the Chicken. Pat Otto will provide a demonstration of Faux Marquetry (inlaid work) at the meeting.

SECOND VP-MEMBERSHIP: Rhonda Norton reported we have 22 in attendance today. Guests included Pauline who came with Hazel Dickson and Cathy O'Brian and her friend Joyce. Cathy is thinking of joining. All were welcomed.

NEWSLETTER/Web Master: Carole Sheftic reported pictures are on line.

SECRETARY: Minutes were posted in the newsletter. Carol Hechler made a motion to accept the minutes and Hazel Dickson seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's report was in the newsletter. Carole Sheftic made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and JoAnne Raymond seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

HOSPITALITY: Hazel Dickson will be going north this week. Members that bring refreshments are encouraged to set them up and clean up after so no one has to be responsible for kitchen duty. It needs to be a team effort. **First one here should put on the coffee.**

SUNSHINE: The following members and/or family are currently having some health problems: Joanne Brechue, Doris Trudeau, Margaret Fredrick and Chris Soyk. Dani Ormsby will send cards to each. Members are encouraged to call and keep in touch with the above members.

FRIENDSHIP GATHERING: Danith Ormsby reported that the next Friendship Gathering is Friday, May 10th and will be in Inverness Scrap and Stamp. Only four (4) members have signed up so she will need to call Scrap and Stamp to see if they will provide the program with this amount of participation. She will let the four members know. June's outing will be the Blue Gator in Dunnellon and will include a ride down Rainbow River. See Newsletter for future activities. Editors Note: Please check the newsletter article for an update/change on the May/June Gathering.

PHILANTHROPIC: Ellen Annibali reported the Habitat Store in Brooksville had a ribbon cutting and open house and NCDA received a plaque and a thank you for our Philanthropic Project. Ellen will send this info to National. Pat Otto will get permission to put the plaque up at the Weeki Wachi Senior Center. She will also try to get a bulletin board up for us and other clubs so everyone can see what is going on at the Center.

<u>LIBRARY</u>: Pat Otto requested a member vote to keep the Library CD's and Books or to raffle them at future meetings. Members voted 8 - 5 to keep the Library intact. Ellen Annibali volunteered to keep the items at her home. She will bring the book of contents to meetings.

OLD BUSINESS:

Basic one classes: Pat Otto will order the palettes and brushes for the Basic one Class rewards.

SHOW AND TELL: Eight members brought items for show and tell.

BOARD MEETING: The May Board Meeting has been canceled. The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, June 5, at the home of Beverly Brockschmidt in Beverly Hills.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

Respectfully, Beverly Brockschmidt, Secretary



Programs....Sandy Mihalus

June 1, 2013, Pink and Chocolate Hibiscus taught in acrylics by Jeanette Seese. Cost \$5.00 This beautiful project is featured in the Decorative Painter magazine: Issue No.1, 2013. Page 106. Please READ the article and BRING THE MAGAZINE WITH YOU if you intend to take the class. Jeanette will have the enlarged pattern for you and will have the masonite surface to be purchased on the day of class for \$1 each. You may also use your own surface. The background is part of the instruction, so it will be done in class. NO



PREP is necessary before hand. If you have the Ceramcoat colors called for, bring them. If not, Jeanette will be able to provide a palette for you. It will be very helpful to also bring a HAIR DRYER. Bring your acrylic painting supplies. DON'T FORGET A BAGGED LUNCH!!!

June 29. 2013, Daffodil & Oil mixing class, taught in Oils by Pat Otto. Cost \$10.00. The background prep: Base coat an 8x10 surface with a mix of white plus Americana Blue Mist. Blue Mist is one of those blues that looks green next to blue and blue next to green. Pat might have said Blue wisp at the meeting. That would work too. It is not a crucial mix. Other options include Ceramcoat Cactus Green or Ocean Mist. She doesn't want to confuse anyone with so many choices, but to give an idea that it should be a light blue green/green/blue. Please put the pattern on before class. More information on the last pages and also on the web.



July 6, 2013 JULY PICNIC!!!! Cost \$5.00 This is a fun day and our only fundraiser this year. If you would like to participate in the Birthday Bag Exchange, please bring a gift bag (dressed all pretty like) valued at \$20.00 or more. Then you will get a ticket, and you can choose another pretty birthday bag. Chinese Auction and Raffle!!! Please bring in an unpainted surface(es) to donate for the raffle. If your donated surface looks like something from another planet, please bring the pattern or packet to go with it. You can purchase tickets to bid for the surfaces. Pat Otto will teach a short lesson on faux marquetry. All this for \$5 bucks!! Pat Thompson will be in charge of hospitality. Please tell her what delicious dishes you will bring. This is a fun day.



Chris Soyk and Ellen Annibali

Ellen Annibali now has our library at her house. She will have a list of books, DVD's etc. with her at the meetings for us to request. The library is a great FREE resource that is not being used much. Our President asks us to all try to take out at least one CD over the summer and bring the painted item to show and tell. The Maureen McNaughton patterns are included in this group.

Sunshine...Dani Jacques



June Birthdays

2- Pat Otto

4 - Andi Dignard

26- Doris Trudeau

27-Bea Peterson



29- Dianne Swick

Friendship Gatherings ...Dani Jacques



Our trip to Elephant Tails Ranch was quite interesting and lots of fun. All that went had a great time. Carol Sheftic and Bev Brockschmidt have done a wonderful painting of the Zebras that were there. We even got to feed the elephant! Here is an updated list of our coming "GATHERINGS."

May 10th – Had to be canceled due to not enough participants to make it worthwhile for Vicki. Dani has scheduled another outing for May/June

May 31st. Friday - Clearwater Marine Aquarium - The home of Winter the Dolphin! Two attractions for the price of one.

Free Parking. Park at Winter's Tale Adventures and enjoy a free Trolly Ride to the Aquarium. Tickets: \$19.95 adults; \$17.95 seniors 60+ and kids ages 3 - 12 are \$14.95. The aquarium has something to offer everyone, they educate and entertain. They have a popular Sea Life Boat Tour. Resident animal stories, especially about Winter the Tailless Dolphin. Watch as they care for dolphins, sea turtles, otters, stingrays, sharks and more. Please visit their website to see all that is offered. A fun filled day for all. Address is: 249 Windward Passage, Clearwater, FL.

July 21st - Sunday - Dunnellon - Blue Gator Restaurant and musical one hour boat ride. Boat ride is \$15.00. The time to meet is 11:30 am for the boat ride and then lunch. (hopefully before the thunder boomers arrive).

August -date TBA - St. Pete - APRON'S..Public's Cooking Forum...Anyone wishing to attend this PLEASE let Dani know. Beverly has been to this a few times with her husband and they just loved it and said it is well worth the price. Last years price was \$40.00 per person. Bev is going to call and find out what is going on there this year. (We definitely will not be going when Paula Deen is there, her price is \$100. We don't need all that buttery food anyway!

September - Alpaca Farm - Homosassa - date TBA

October 20 - Sunday - Lowery Park Zoo - Tampa. More information to follow.

November - ??? any ideas anyone????

Hospitality......Hazel Dickson

Hazel will be away for a few months so we are on our own.

All donations are appreciated

Philanthropic. Ellen Annibali

A "BIG Thank you!" to our gals who participated in our "Habitat For Humanity"



Philanthropic Project this year and Award Presentation. Check out our website.

Please take a day, bring a friend and stop by the Hernando Habitat "ReStore" and see what we've accomplished and maybe bring a small donation...or SHOP for some interesting finds!

Bits and Pieces.....

from Carole Sheftic



Thanks to everyone for all the excited phone calls, e-mails and Presidential remarks about my painting in the Decorative Painter. You can imagine how hard it was for "me" to keep it a secret for over three months. The painting is 36 x 48 inches and was purchased by a friend for her new home. She was just as excited as I was about the publication.

Nature Coast Decorative Painter Financial Report



by Pat Thompson

May 2013

April beginning balance	\$6,378.29
Income (Workshop R. Bur	ton)\$65.00
Membership	20.00
Donation*	50.00
Donation**	<u> 100.00</u>
Total income for May	\$235.00

Expenses:	
Workshop fee (R.Burton**)	\$100.00
Membership expenses	\$14.09
Gift Cert. P.Otto ***	
*P.Otto donation (April wksh fee	
** R.Burton donation(May wksh	,
*** Gift Certificate given to Pat H	,
as 2011-2012 President	
_Total expenses	. \$214.09
Ending Balance for April	\$6,399.20
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TGIF-Painting Day The Third Friday of the month

The third Friday of the month painting group concluded in May. We had a great time painting together! Everyone is busy now with vacations, gardens and visiting guests so we may re-visit it in the fall.

Basic One Graduates

The following is a list of the people who have graduated from the Basic One two-part class. The first part was taking an acrylic class in small groups to learn side loading and stroke work. Five teachers volunteered to teach students personally in their home or in groups of no more than three students so that the teaching would be thorough. Each participant painted the same design used with permission from Gail Anderson. The second part of the program involved the student painting a second Anderson design on her own. She was allowed to change the colors and size of the project. The project was shown to her teacher for pass/fail grade. These students will receive a free Masterson Palette and two brushes at the July meeting! Congratulations everyone for a job well done!

Kathi Bruckner	Jeanette Seese
Andi Dignard	Joanne Crowley
Bea Peterson	JoAnne Raymond
Bev Brockschmidt	Lynda Goodman
Carol Hechler	Margaret Frederick
Charlene Seimes	Marilynne Kelly
Carole Sheftic	Pat Landry
Christine Soyk	Pat Otto
Dani Ormsby	Pat Thompson
Dottie Ptaszynski	Rhonda Norton
Ellen Annibali	Sue Glavan
Jean Thompson	Sandy Mihalus



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Prep Instructions and Supply List for

Pat Otto's Color Mixing Class

The background prep: Base coat an 8 x 10 surface with a mix of white plus Americana Blue Mist. Blue Mist is one of those bluesthat looks green next to blue and blue next to green. I may have said Blue Wisp at the meeting. That would work too. It is not a crucial mix. Other options include Ceramcoat Cactus Green or Ocean Mist. I don't want to confuse anyone with so many choices, but to give an idea that it should be a light blue green/green/blue.

Put the pattern on before class.

Other supplies.

<u>Palette</u> - may be waxed, glass, plastic tray or disposable. NOT A WET PALETTE -this is oil paint. The palette needs to be large.12 x 16 is good. If you have nothing like that - bring a piece of card board larger than that and you can tape a palette paper to it. No styrofoam plates/palettes.

<u>Palette knife</u> - My preferred knife for mixing is Loew Cornell J-15. Michaels sells Artist's Loft #103 which is very good too. Creative Mark T-2 will work. Ann Kingslan has some on her site that are flat and work well. The large knives like Loew Cornell J-17 require dexterity and will waste paint unless you are skilled at handling them. Plastic knives will frustrate you as will wooden stirring sticks. Save yourself the aggravation - the Artist's Loft knife is \$4.95 and never on sale so you can use a coupon. But don't wait till the last minute, Michaels only orders 5 at a time. I will try to bring a couple extra.

Odorless thinner - My choice is Mona Lisa brand, available at Michaels in several sizes. Paper towels - Bounty is my favorite, but not the cheap ones. Get full sheets, not half and don't cut them small - you will have paint all over you.

Oil Paints - I will supply a palette for \$1. To match my colors use Permalba by Weber, but matching isn't that important. Alizarin Crimson, Prussian Blue, Cadmium Yellow medium and Titanium White. Permallba Brand is pretty good paint and a better choice than Winton (Windsor Newton's student grade) for the price. If you have old paints from your great grandma or a yard sale they are probably good. Try to see if you can get the caps off before class though, or you will waste a lot of time. (Editors note:Soak caps in steaming hot water)

<u>Brushes</u> - A liner #1, flats #10, 6, 4 should be all you need. I like American Painter from Loew Cornell for an inexpensive brush. That is available at Michaels.

Other - Clear packing tape - for "laminating", scissors, baby wipes, Q-tips or rubber erase tool, small container for thinner-like Crystal Lite comes in or large bottle cap, Saran wrap, a cardboard box cover to carry the wet painting in. You probably won't need oil or Resin-gel unless you have a particularly dry surface.

We may not completely finish the daffodil, but your paint will stay workable a couple days.

