August 2013 Nature Coast Decorative Artists Volume 15 Issue 8

Presidents Letter:

Hi Ladies.

I am still hearing how much everyone enjoyed the July Picnic. Me too! Already it is the middle of July and we are looking forward to two great August classes. Fall is just around the corner. It will soon be time to think of NCDA dues and NCDA elections. If you would like to be on the nominating committee for next year let me know.

At the July Board meeting we found out that there was a misunderstanding about Birthday Cards. Dani, our Sunshine Chairperson, was told that she wasn't to send cards for birthdays. Sooo, if you had a birthday from January to July don't take it personally that you did not get a card. She is sorry but it wasn't her fault, just a miss communication . So from now on you should get a birthday card, but we are not going to send retroactive cards.

The September meeting is our Fall festival and you may bring a friend if you would like. We are going to have some fun things going on and it would be a good time to introduce a friend to the group. She/he can join and their dues cover the rest of this year plus next year. We are looking for some prizes for Bingo. They do not have to be paint related, but should be nice (about \$5 value). Rhonda Norton will have a box set out at the August meeting to collect the prizes. We will be charging \$1/card to play for members and non-members.

For the August project of the puppy. Tear around the pattern on the dotted lines, tearing an irregular line at the top where it is straight. Glue the pattern on the painted box. You may lightly spray it with acrylic spray, but not too heavy. I will have extra scraps to add additional pieces of wording if desired. It will not affect the painting and can be added later.

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Hope everyone is having a great summer and participating in the fellowship outings or planning your own.

See you soon. It's time to paint!

Pat Otto

Nature Coast Decorative Artists Meeting Minutes

Weeki Wachi Senior Center

Spring Hill, FL Date: July 6, 2013

PRESIDENT, Pat Otto called the meeting to order at 9:18 A. M.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRST VP-PROGRAMS: Sandy Mihalus reviewed the following workshops:

August: Pat Otto will teach an acrylic dog on a book cover. (Puppy Tales) Instructions will be in the newsletter. Pat encouraged members to take a packet which has the picture and instruction sheet if they are planning to come to the meeting. Glue the pattern on the book/surface and spray with liberty (purple can) or light clear matt varnish. Colors are in the packet.

September: See New Business.

October: Two day seminar with Melissa Miller Nece from Palm Harbor, Florida. This will be done using Watercolor Pencils. Pat Otto has emailed the information sheet to all members. The cost is \$100 for the two days. This includes a set of water color pencils.

SECOND VP-MEMBERSHIP: Rhonda Norton reported there are 17 members in attendance today. No new members and no guests.

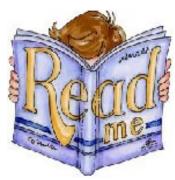
SECRETARY: Minutes were posted in the newsletter. Jeanette Seese made a motion to accept the minutes and Pat Landry seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

TREASURER: The Treasurer's report was in the newsletter. Jeanette Seese made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Chris Soyk seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

SUNSHINE: Danith Jacques Ormsby reported that no cards were sent this month. Dani had the understanding that the club was not sending Birthday Cards to members. This will be changed and she will begin sending Birthday Cards to members effective immediately. She will not send any cards for Birthdays which have already occurred.

FRIENDSHIP GATHERING: Danith Jacques Ormsby reported that the next outing will be on July 21 for lunch at the Blue Gator in Dunnellon. There is also a boat ride on the Rainbow River for members that are interested. Members should meet at the bait shop. The August outing will be in Tampa at the Publix/Aprons Cooking School. Beverly Brockschmidt is researching the date and time and will let Dani know. A show of hands indicated 6 or 7 were interested in attending. *Editors note.* Check Gatherings article for August update.

SECRET SISTER: Jeannette Seese reported the Secret Sister Exchange gifts will take place in October and November and then a Christmas present in December. This will be the first item on the October Chapter Meeting agenda. Remember to bring your gift in a paper bag so all gifts will look alike. Pat Otto said she would bring paper bags to the next meeting.



OLD BUSINESS:

Basic One Class: Pat Otto distributed certificates and gifts to members who participated in the Basic One Class. Gifts included a medium size palette and two brushes. Pat recommended marking these brushes as they are expensive. It is always wise to mark all of your expensive brushes to be sure you do not use them for base coating, etc.

<u>Budget:</u> Pat Landry made a motion to accept the proposed Budget that was in the July Newsletter and Rhonda Norton seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the members.

NEW BUSINESS: Pat Otto discussed the September meeting and asked for input on a Fall Festival. She requested a volunteer or volunteers to organize the Fall Festival. It was suggested we have a Straw Hat Contest, a make it and take it project and Bingo. Members can bring a friend or two. The meal would consist of hot dogs, chili, salads, etc. There will be the usual \$5.00 fee. Doris Trudeau volunteered to bring the hot dogs.

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

BOARD MEETING: Next Board meeting will be immediately following the Chapter Meeting today.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Respectfully,

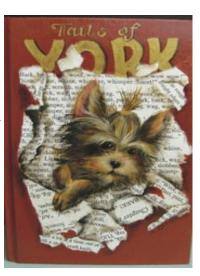
Beverly Brockschmidt, Secretary



Programs....Sandy Mihalus

August 3, 2013 Pup Fiction taught by Pat Otto. Cost \$5.00 This project requires advance prep, so the pattern packet was distributed at the last meeting. Use a book of your choice. The directions in the packet explain how to put the news print design on the front of the book. Don't forget the blending gel for this project. This little dog is adorable, and could be a wonderful gift for the animal lover in your life

FYI from Pat Otto:For the August project of the puppy. Tear around the pattern on the dotted lines, tearing an irregular line at the top where it is straight. Glue the pattern on the painted box. You may lightly spray it with acrylic spray, but not too heavy. I will have extra scraps to add additional pieces of wording if desired. It will not affect the painting and can be added later.



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August 31, 2013 A Lighthouse in watercolor, taught by Carole Sheftic. Cost \$10.00 (all day project). This will be done on an 11x15 (half sheet) 140lb Arches watercolor paper. Hobby Lobby is the best local place to get it. Carole will have paper available for \$6, a list of supplies and the line drawing at the August meeting. A palette of w/c paint will also be available if you need one for a minimal charge.

September 7, 2013 Fall Festival Cost \$5.00 Decorated Straw Hat Contest..Use your imagination, and win a prize in the "Straw Hat

Parade" if yours is voted the best! Bingo!!! We will be playing 10 games of bingo! Please donate gifts to win as prizes, valued at least \$5.00. There will be a painting project that day also. Hot dogs will be served, and bring a pot of chili to enter the chili cook-off contest. It

will be a great party to welcome the cooler weather.

October 5 & 6, 2013 Melissa Miller Nece Seminar. Cost for both days: \$100.00 Melissa is a Signature member of the Colored Pencil Society of America, and known as one of the foremost colored pencil artists in the U.S.. Her work has been published in numerous national magazines. She will provide a 2 day study in watercolor pencils, and the pencils will be provided. You can make \$25.00 payments until the September meeting, or pay the full amount on that day. The last day to register and pay will be September 7, 2013.

November 2, 2013 To be announced



Sunshine...Dani Jacques



July Birthdays

Sharon Poorman -8/2 Carole Sheftic -8/2

Renee Burton – 8/3

Hazel Dickson – 8/16

Carol Hechler – 8/22

Dani Jacques - 8/26

Patricia Ann Drury - 8/31

Friendship Gatherings ... Dani Jacques



Our trip on May 31st to Clearwater Marine Aquarium, and Winter's Tale Adventure, Home of Winter the Dolphin was a fun day for Dottie, Dani, Sandy, Joanne R, Sharon and Carole S.

Check out the pics on our website.

Coming up.....

July 21st at the Blue Gator Restaurant on Rt. 41 in Dunnellon. The restaurant is on your right just as you go over the bridge. You can see it

from the light on the bridge. 11:30 am Boat ride (\$15.00) about an hour long then lunch for those that wish to stay.

August: Dani is sorry to announce that Apron's does not have a program scheduled for the month of August. If anyone has a good idea please e-mail Dani and she will try to get it organized. Carole S. came up with a trip to Renningers Antique Mall and Flea Market in Mt. Dora. But the weather may be too hot for us that time of year.

September - Alpaca Farm - Homosassa - date TBA

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

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

Don't forget to check our website for updates ... www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com

Bits and Pieces.....



Carole Sheftic started her 3 week summer vacation off with a three day seminar with Neadeen Masters. She had a wonderful educational experience and I am sure will tell you all about it ... if you ask!!!!



Hospitality..... You know we appreciate anything that you bring to share. Since the Newsletter editor was not at the last meeting she does not know if there was a particulate theme for August. Just bring what you like...if you like!



Publicity....Dottie Ptaszynski

Dottie sent ads into the following:

St. Pete Times, Hernando Today, Citrus Chronicle, Tampa Tribune, Suncoast News, Scene on Line, Spring Hill

Dottie needs your help! Since she only receives the St. Petersburg Times, if members see our ads in the other papers and magazines, could they please cut them out and give them to Dottie at the Chapter Meetings. If she doesn't get these publications, she can't be certain we're getting the publicity that we want.

Thank you for your help.



Many of the Basic One participants received their awards at the July meeting.

Nature Coast Decorative Painter Financial Report



by Pat Thompson

July 2013

July beginning balance	\$6,359.58
Income	
Workshop	\$40.00
Raffle	
October Seminar	<u>\$400.00</u>
Total July income	\$562.00
Expenses:	
Pat OttoColor Class	\$24.50
Pat Otto Yorkie Class	\$24.50
S. Mihalus (Picnic Chicken)	\$35.87
C.Hechler (Hospitality)	\$ 9.98
Pat Otto -Basic One palette/bru	
Pat Otto6/20 expenses	
Pat Otto 6/29 class fee	
WWSCC donation	
Total expenses for July	\$989.89

Ending Balance for July...... \$5931.69

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

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 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....

Vhen you get to the meeting....

_Sign In
Give Membership any change in e-mai
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!!!!!

NatureCoast Decorative Artists

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