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## September 2015

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### A Letter from our President

Greetings ladies, Boy can you believe it, September is only a week



away. Where has the summer gone? I for one am not going to be sorry to see the summer end, and hopefully take the terrible rains we have had with it. News said yesterday that as of right now we have had 20 inches of rain more from the normal for the whole year. I guess I am wondering what is normal anymore.

Well I sure hope all enjoyed the alcohol inks class that we had at our chapter meeting the first of this month. We had 9 ladies, and for my first time teaching it was great to have that many. I thoroughly enjoyed teaching it, and I know from what I have heard, every one seemed to enjoy. I guess it's because I am in the newness of it all, but I love to learn and I want to learn it all.

Well good news, Carol Kuszik has agreed to chair the Christmas party, which I want to say a big thank you for doing that. She has some awesome ideas already about what kind of centerpieces for the tables. She is looking for any volunteers to help her out. She is due back in September, so think about it and let her know.

Still looking for someone to volunteer for the nominating committee, so if anyone is interested please let me know.

Had a visitor at our August meeting. Ronnie Bringle has moved into our area and she came to visit. She said she would be back. She is in the process of renovations on the house they bought so that is keeping her busy, but do hope she will be back to paint.

Well we have our 5th Saturday coming up, and Carole Sheftic will be there to teach her watercolor. I am looking forward to that. Once again Carole. we all express deepest sympathy on your loss of your studio and all your paintings, along with all the supplies. You have a great attitude about it all, and I am sure this is just a blip in your life cycle, and you will rise above it, and be bigger and better (if that's possible) which you already are.

Well everyone keep those brushes moving and hope to see you all at the 5th. Saturday.

Hugs

Linda

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## Secretary's Report

.....submitted by Sandra



Nature Coast Decorative Artists
August 1, 2015
Weeki Wachee Senior Center

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Duff at 9:20 am. Linda welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1rst Vice-President and Programs: Pat Otto announced Darla Willhite will teach the September 5th program using C The onte pencils to teach flesh tones and shading.

2nd Vice-President and Membership: Rhonda Norton announced there were nine members present, and one guest.

Treasury: Carol Hechler was not present. The treasurer's report was published in the newsletter. Jeanette Seese made a motion to accept the report as published, and Pat Otto seconded the motion.

Secretary: Sandy Mihalus reported the minutes from the last meeting were published in the newsletter. Jeanette Seese made a motion to accept the minutes as published, and Pat Otto seconded the motion.

Newsletter: Carole Sheftic was not present.

Librarian: Jeanette Seese thanked everyone for returning the CD's to the library. She reminded members that they could receive a free ticket for the birthday raffle just for reviewing a CD.

Secret Sister: Jeanette Seese announced that two gifts for secret sisters were brought to the meeting. Eileen Peters received her Secret Sister gift and displayed them to show the members.

Publicity: Eileen Peters said she has sent articles to various newspapers about the chapter contribution of gift bags for the homeless.

Sunshine: Mary Davis said she sent six cards to members this month, and plans to send four cards next month. Ellen Annibali informed the members of the death of Doris Trudeau's husband. Ellen reminded the members that Doris was a founding member of the chapter. The members agreed to send flowers from the chapter to Doris in memory of her husband.

Ways and Means: Ellen Annibali stated the chapter took in \$15.00 for raffle tickets.

Historian: Carol Kuszik was not present.

Philanthropic: No report.

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August 1, 2015 Minutes continued.....

Photographer: Charlene Seimes resigned her position for personal reasons. Linda Duff asked for volunteers to he position.

The birthday raffle was held.

Show and Tell was held.

Old Business: No old news.

New Business: Linda Duff announced the chapter needs a nominating committee for next years executive board. She asked for volunteers.

Rhonda Norton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Respectfully submitted. Sandy Mihalus Secretary



# Christmas Party Report by Carole Kuscik

"Christmas is sneaking up on us and its time to get our plans in gear. As soon as I return from New Hampshire I will be having the first committee meeting at my house on Thursday Sept 24 at 1pm. Anyone who is interested in attending please call me on my cell phone 352-586-9197 or email me at ckuszik@gmail.com. We are planning to have this party fun and uncomplicated. Hope to see you there!"



We are looking for someone to take the 2nd VP Program Chairman position. The Program Chairman is responsible for asking teachers to submit projects to fill 8-10 slots. The decision on which projects are to be taught can be decided by the Program Chairman, the Board or the Membership. Usually the chairman contacts an outside teacher for a seminar or two, but that depends on the chapter finances and member participation. The chairman is responsible for telling the teacher how many students are signed up so that the teacher can provide the right amount of materials. The chairman usually sits with the treasurer as people come in to the meeting to give out materials and answer questions about upcoming programs. If the chairman can't make a meeting

she should ask someone to sit in for her and get the necessary information and materials to the sub. Next year there will be no 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday classes so there should be no problem filling the slots.

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## **Programs**

submitted by Pat Otto

**Programs: August** 

There is still time to sign up for our Fifth Saturday class August 29th A Dragon Fly in Search of a Water Lily.. an original watercolor by Carole Sheftic

The Original is approx 7 x 10....Matted out to fit a 11x14 or 10x13 glassed frame

### **Material List**

1/4 sheet .... approx 10x13 .... 140 # Arches Cold press paper

Work surface larger than paper Regular (NOT COLORED) masking tape Transfer paper Soft lead pencil Fine stylus or Exacto knife

Frisket / Masking Fluid and an old bottle cap...

Carole will have this

Small bar of soap or Dawn Dish soap Old small round brush to apply Masking Fluid Crepe (Rubber Cement Pickup) eraser or piece of masking tape or Double Sided mounting tape

Soft Paper Towels (like Viva original) or soft Toilet **Paper** 

.005 or 01 Pigma Pen in Perm. Black

Drop or two of Satin Varnish or Elmers

Glue..furnished

**Deco Art Glamour Dust or Fine Clear** Glitter...furnished

Large Water container and a small clear container ...like a fruit cup!!!!

#### PREP:

Tape the paper to your surface the whole way around.

Option one: If you like less ripples in the paper when you work. Wet the entire (taped down)

paper and let completely dry before tracing the pattern on.

**Option two:** Trace the pattern directly on the dry

(taped down) paper Use transfer paper or cover back of pattern with your

soft pencil. Do not use excess pressure.

### Watercolors:

I used Mijello Mission Gold Intro Set but any Professional brand will do

Permanent Rose Rose Madder

Peacock Blue or Cobalt Blue

Perm. Yellow Light Burnt Sienna

Viridian Green + Burnt Sienna (or Shadow Green not in Intro Set)

Brushes: Synthetic such as Golden Taklon One or two wide flat brushes approx 3/4 inch

Rounds...8-6-4 in good shape



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### September PROGRAM

Darla Willhite will be our guest teacher. Her project is "Makayla" an original Conté pencil portrait. Darla is a delightful teacher. She will teach the structure of the eyes, nose and mouth plus soft shading for form. I am sure you will be proud of your finished project. Darla will furnish a photo. The line drawing will be on the website & also

here>>>>>>>

Cost of workshop is \$5. There is an \$8 materials fee for the starter set of paper, 3 pastels, 3 pencils, eraser, stump, sharpener and chamois (\$16 value). Those who wish to bring their own supplies need not pay the \$8 fee.

Material List.. Starter Set in Red

MiTientes paper: ¼ sheet 10 x 13 - Golden...
Conte pencils:White, Black and Sanguine
Kneaded eraser
Blending stumps

Work surface larger than paper. Masonite or smooth surface Clips to hold paper in place Transfer paper - black or gray





### October

We had originally scheduled a "Triad" or "Paint Around" but due to low attendance and trying to be good stewards of our treasury the Board has opted for a single teacher class.

Linda Duff will teach a pumpkin candlestick made from a martini or wine glass. Student will furnish the glass (or two). It will be a quick and fun project. We all loved them when she brought them to show and tell.

### November

Jeanette Seese will teach an adorable snowman that she has painted on canvas and adhered to a bathroom scale, that is why there is a cut out section in the middle of the top of the design. You, as aways, may paint it on any surface. Canvas from a canvas pad works very well. If you choose to paint on fabric or glass you must adjust your paints accordingly. Jeanette will be teaching in acrylics. The supply list will be published as the date approaches.



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## Library submitted by Jeanette Seese

Library---Once again, thanks to all of you who are taking out (and returning) the videos. We are really making a dent! If anyone has a suggestion for purchasing a new video, let me know. Also, if anyone did not receive her tickets last month, let me know that, too. It gets a little hectic sometimes!

## Secret Sister

submitted by Jeanette Seese

Secret Sister--- A couple of Secret Sister gifts were left behind at the last meeting, and if the recipients are at either the 5th Sat. or September's meeting, I'll give them out. Remember, there are only 3 more meetings before the Secret Sister gift exchange concludes!



## Ways & Means

submitted by Ellen Annibali

September Gals for the Birthday Baskets: Dottie Ptasynski 9/6 Susan Glavin 9/14 Jean Thompson 9/27

Note: Carole Graves 9/18 cannot make this month, so she will bring in Oct or Nov.

No extra raffle until October's "Fall" - Wood & Fabric Theme.



## Sunshine

submitted by Mary Davis

Mary is going to be very busy this month because we have quite a few birthdays.

Dottie Ptasynski .....9/6 Susan Glavin .....9/14 Carole Graves .....9/18 Jean Thompson ....9/27

Don't forget to keep Mary informed of anyone needing a special card.

Editors note: I received my Get well card after my NOSE surgery. Thank you

## Hospitality

.....sign up for September

Our Hospitality Ladies for September Breakfast Foods are:

Linda Duff
Sandy Mihalus
And as always...all donations are
appreciated!!!

A Thank-you from Carole....

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and concerns over my devastating fire that took place on August 2 (my birthday). I lost all my art supplies but not my talent and desire to keep art as an important part of my life. I have learned a lot from this experience and one of the most important things I have learned is how supportive and caring our Art Family is in a time of need.

Thank you for being there when I needed you. Love ...Carole Sheftic August 2015 Page 7 of 11

## "A Special Tribute to Joe"



Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to our NCDA Founder and wonderful friend, Doris Trudeau, who lost her beloved soul mate, Joe, and husband of 62 years, this past month. Their three children, four grandchildren, and three great children are in our thoughts and prayers.

Joe enlisted and served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He worked in the wire mill of Western Electric for 31 years. In his retirement years, Joe volunteered together with other telephone company retirees making "Bat-Ray Mobiles" for sick children needing x-rays, and regularly repairing "Talking Book" machines for the blind, and much more.

Joe enjoyed gardening, doing puzzles, watching Westerns with popcorn, whistling, listening to Doris play the organ, eating fried chicken, enjoying a slice of pie, and conversation.

After their return back home last year to Illinois, Joe loved watching the corn grow tall in the fields, and the colorful beauty of Fall.

Joe touched our hearts with his generosity, support, talented woodworking, and humor. From cutting gingerbread men, Santa's and angels, to pulling down the Christmas tree, complete with homemade decorations and hauling it to our "Annual" Christmas Party and back home.

He was a devout Catholic, and outlived his family physician's longevity prediction by 5 months & 11 days by his own calculations. We will miss you. Love, NCDA



# Treasurer Report by Carol Hechler

### **Nature Coast Decorative Artists** -August 2015 Financial Report ReportBeginning Balance 5,286.06 INCOME Programs 8/1/ Linda Duff 15.00 Hostess tickets(4) Ways& Means 15.00 Hostess tickets(3) Total 30.00 5,316.06 **EXPENSES** Teachers Fee Linda Duff 8/1 \$ 100.00 Program supplies 8/1 20.61 Total \$ 120.61 **Ending Balance** 5,195.45



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NCDA 2015 BUDGET				
	INCOME	EXPENSES		•
Membership	\$ 320.00	\$ -00		
Workshops	\$ 440.00	\$ 1,250.00		
Seminars				
Way & Means	\$ 464.00	\$ -00		
Christmas Party	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00		
Newsletter & Website		\$ 78.00		
WWSC Donation		\$ 495.00		
Sunshine				
Philanthropic		\$ 62.00		
Library				
Hospitality		\$ 63.00		
SDP Insurance & Fees		\$ 104.00		
Table & Treasurer				
Awards				
Total	\$2,124.00	\$ 2,952.00	\$828.00	

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August 29th ..5th Saturday Class

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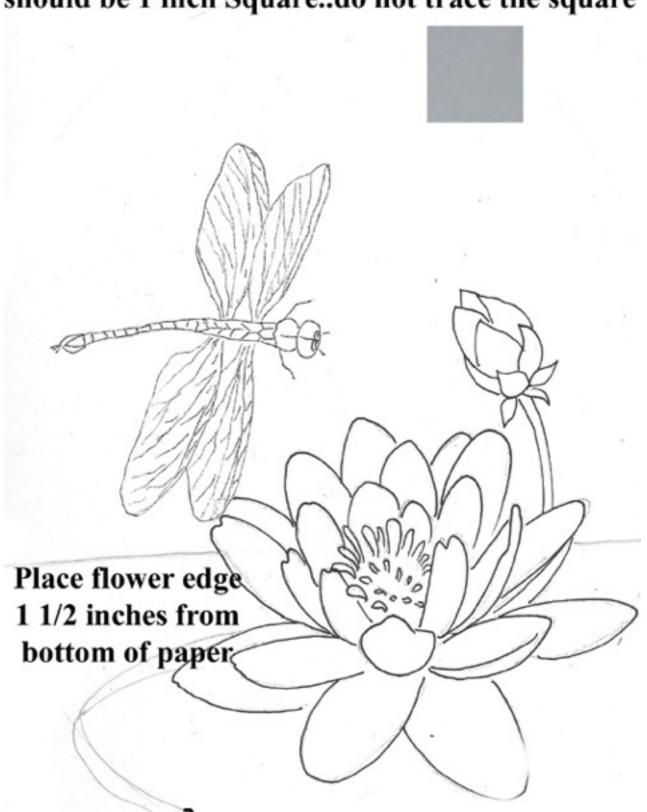
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