

October 2017



October 2017 Nature Coast Decorative Artists

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### A Letter from the President:



A great big hello to everyone.

Hurricane Irma, that's a name I will never forget. We saw it out in the Caribbean, we watched it coming, all along they kept saying it was going to turn, that was over a week ago, and guess what it did turn, but not till it got to the West coast of Florida! I don't know about you all, but the stress level was so high, I just couldn't hardly handle it. We finally evacuated and went to a friends house. First place was our friends house, but wait they were also in a mandatory evacuation zone. So finally ended up at a another friends house, rain and wind, but just at the very end, Irma turned and went East.(see the weather men were right, it did turn East LOL) I'm happy to say, we didn't have any damage, I hope and pray that you all were as lucky. A few plants turned over but no biggie. My plants sure took a beating, but that's the worst. Anyway, I sure hope I never have to go through another. My heart goes out to the ones in the Keys, and those in other areas closer to the Keys!

Well we had a great meeting in September, and also a great watercolor class taught by our one and only Carole Sheftic . I really enjoyed and hope you all did. We welcomed a new member into our group. She moved from New York and her name is Pamela Varricchio . I just want to say welcome and we are happy to have you. She already volunteered to chair the Christmas party and she will need help, so please volunteer to help. The place and the time is already decided, so the rest is a piece of cake LOL. Besides she needs help in finding out what we have done in the past.

In October I will be teaching a Christmas piece, so please sign up so I know how many packets to make. It's on the web site with the pattern also if you weren't here in September to get your copy.

Well everyone, take care, and hope to see you all in October!

Hugs  
Linda

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co- Secretary  
Lois Owens  
And Marge Thompson

NCDA MEETING MINUTES  
September 2, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by President Linda Duă

**PROGRAM:** Jeanette Seese reported that today's program was being taught by Carole Sheftic and it is a watercolor design.

Next month's program will be taught by Linda Duă and it is a holiday design on a glass cube. We will do the etching before the class.

In November, Lois Kemp will do a multi-media program.

December is our Christmas Party

**SECRETARY:** Lois Owens' report was approved and Jeanette Seese made a motion to accept as written. Carol Hechler seconded the motion

**TREASURER:** Carol Hechler's report was approved and Lois Owens made a motion to accept as written. Marge Thompson seconded the motion

**MEMBERSHIP:** There are 15 in attendance for our meeting today. We have a new member attending today and her name is Pamela Varricchio. She is from New York. There are also three visitors from the Citrus Watercolor Society, and they are: Suzanne Mahr, Marie Sloan and Brenda Glenny

**NEWSLETTER:** Carole Sheftic reminded everyone to please try and keep her on track as she currently does six websites for all the clubs she belongs to. She would like to be informed if we see something that needs to be done

**SUNSHINE:** Mary Davis announced that she sent out two birthday cards this month. Please let her know if she needs to send cards to anyone

**PUBLICITY:** Our ads are currently not running in several papers. Carol Hechler volunteered to meet with Ellen Annibali to figure out who to send the announcements to and will handle it

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**SECRET SISTER:** The forms are due for those that want to be included in our Secret Sister program

**WAYS & MEANS:** \$67.00 was taken in for the birthday raffles

**OLD NEWS:** Pat Otto announced that she will complete UFO's (unfinished objects) for a mere \$10.00. Please see her. This is a wonderful opportunity for our club members

**NEW NEWS:** Marge Thompson gave a report from the minutes taken from the meeting of all the clubs regarding the new roof. The Board of Directors for Weekie Wachee Senior Citizens borrowed \$11,000 from the bank. On September 29-30, 2017, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, they will have a "RAISE THE ROOF" yard sale indoors in the building. They need as many donations as possible from all the club members. All donations must be in by Thursday, September 28, 2017 and they are asking for volunteers to help run the sale. ALL proceeds will go toward paying for the roof. If you donate something that you think needs to sell for a particular price, please go ahead and mark the price on it. That will help those doing the marking

All items not sold will be donated to St. Vincent or Habitat for Humanity. They will also have a bake sale and would appreciate donations of baked items to sell. Hot dogs will also be for sale

An Arts and Crafts sale is also being planned for November. Keep in mind any items you would like to donate for that also. They are hoping to get the roof paid off in three years! Please help out by posting information about these sales in any online social network you use.

Linda Duř also asked for volunteers to help plan the Christmas Party. Our new member Pamela Varricchio volunteered to chair this event

**SHOW AND TELL:** What a wonderful display of art we had today for show and tell. Thanks everyone for participating. Photos are on our website.

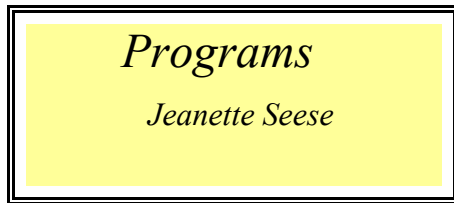
**BIRTHDAY RAFFLE:** Birthday raffle gifts were won by Pat Thompson - donated by Pamela Varricchio, and Pat Otto won a gift donated by Linda Duř

Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am

Recording Secretary

Lois A. Owens

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Programs:

**It's never too early to prepare for Christmas!**

Our class for October will be given by our President, Linda Duff. It is a Santa on a glass block. The pattern is included in the Newsletter, as well as prep instructions. Linda said the glass block can be purchased at Lowe's or Home Depot. Michael's also sells them with the holes already drilled for inserting the string of lights.

If you are lighting your block, Linda gave us a suggestion that she just learned. Etch the glass and then paint with either Black Gesso or white Gesso mixed with Black acrylic to create a medium gray. This will help even the light patterns through the glass block. After it is completely dry it is then ready for you to transfer the pattern.



We have a guest artist for November:

The November class will be taught by Lois Kamp. She will be demonstrating Encaustics (wax painting).

During her demo she will be using a combination of beeswax, color pigments and Delmar resin to paint layers of wax on a board and then fuse each layer together with a heat gun.

After the demo she will show members how to make mono prints from melted wax and allow people to make their own print. This class is informative and innovative, and requires no prep and no purchase of materials!

Each month please go to our website [www.NatureCoastDecorativeArtists.com](http://www.NatureCoastDecorativeArtists.com) to sign up so our instructors will know how many to prepare for and while you are there please check out the upcoming slate of teachers and classes that have already been decided for 2017.

And don't forget to check out our fantastic photo album each month on our website!



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**Sunshine**  
*Mary Davis*



**October Birthdays**  
1....Kay Wells  
20...Bev Brockschmidt  
22 .... Ellen Annibali

**Get well wishes go out to everyone who needs one at this time.**

Please let Mary know if someone is in need of a little cheering!

**Note:** All committee and board member emails are always located in our newsletter and on our membership roaster handed out by Membership.

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**Membership**  
*Rhonda Norton*

We would like to welcome our newest member:  
Pamela Varricchio  
8031 Sylvan Drive  
Hudson, FL. 34667  
email varriccp@aol.com...  
home# 727-233-2100 Cell....631-413-4248  
Birthday: 7/20.

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**Secret Sister**  
*Linda Duff*

The forms for secret sister were passed out at the August and September meetings. We will draw in October. So please think about joining in. It's a lot of fun. I guess I better get my form filled out so I can join in.

If your unable to attend please email me your form and I will be sure to get you in!

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**Treasurer**  
*Carol Hechler*

Nature Coast Decorative Artists -  
September 2017  
Financial Report

Beginning Balance \$ 1872.93

INCOME

Project Fee ..Sept 2, 17 Carole Sheftic \$85.00  
Membership \$10.00  
Ways and Means \$67.00

Total \$ 162.00

EXPENSES

Programs..Carole Sheftic \$200.00  
Proram suplies..C. Sheftic 14.00  
Total expense **\$214.00**

Ending Balance for September 2017 \$ 1820.93



**Ways and Means  
And Hospitality**  
*..Sharon Poorman*

Believe it or not it is getting close to the Holidays  
Time flies when we are having fun

Is this your Birthday month???..... or have you signed up for this month????

Please don't forget your Birthday Raffle Gift for the month of October .

Value: \$20.00 in an attractively wrapped box or bag.

Members .....Look for a red cup in front of each gift to drop your tickets in.

Tickets are 6 for \$5.00

You are also responsible for a light breakfast snack on your Birthday month!

This makes it easier to remember! If you can't be there please let Sharon know  
so you can bring it another month..... [SPoorman49@gmail.com](mailto:SPoorman49@gmail.com)

October's Raffle Ladies are.... Kay Wells, Ellen Annibali

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**Philanthropic**  
*Ellen Annibali*

### **Philanthropic Newsflash:**

Please Don't Forget . . .  
One Month Left!"

We collected fifteen more lovely, hand-painted "Christmas Ornaments" from six of our members for the "K9 Partners For Patriots" Service Dog Training Program. We are presently "halfway" to our goal of 100 qty., for our philanthropic presentation at our NCDA Chapter Meeting on Nov. 4th, at 9 a.m.

Please don't forget to bring your ornaments to our upcoming "October" NCDA Chapter Meeting, if you haven't done so already. Thanks!

Wow! Mary Davis is still bringing lots of "Sunshine" to our Vets by donating two, new cute "Dangling Santa" ornaments. Her total is now at fourteen!! Bev Brockschmidt donated a beautiful "Red & Gold Star with Holly". Our Pres, Linda Duff donated four of her lovely, handmade ceramic "doggie bone" ornaments in her unique style with alcohol inks! Jeanette created two more "French" peppermint doggie bone ornaments complete with dog chain hangers! Carole Sheftic outdid herself as usual, with two detailed "Santa with puppy" gourd ornaments, one "Snowman with puppy & kitty" gourd ornament, and two wonderful "Doggy" character ornaments! Also, I completed my second "Gingerbread Man" cone ornament with several more in production. :)

You may want to wear a "Christmas holiday" painted blouse or apron to our November 4th, NCDA chapter meeting and please arrive by 8:30 a.m., to get settled, and so you don't miss our presentation and group photo at 9:00 a.m.!

In case you've been out-of-town, we're asking each of our NCDA members to paint four Christmas ornaments in a design of your choice for our "K9 Partners For Patriots" Veterans. Our goal of 100 qty., will be collected at our October meeting to get them ready for our Nov. 4th Presentation. This will be a very rewarding experience and I'm really looking forward to it myself! :)

Note: If you won't be able to make our NCDA Chapter Meeting in October, but painted a few ornaments, please send your donation with a friend, or call/text/email me, and I'll be happy to pick up your ornaments, if needed. Don't forget to check out our newest "hand-painted ornaments" photos on our website too!

I greatly appreciate all that you have painted, or will complete, for this year's Christmas Holiday Celebration for the K9P4P organization!

Ellen Annibali - Philanthropic Chairperson 2017

**Please check our website [www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com](http://www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com) September Photo Album for pics of the ornaments donated at the September Meeting.**

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Just thought you may want to mark your calendar....

Up Coming Events and happenngs around the area...

**Heart Of Pinellas Decorative Artists: (Seminole,FL)**

Ronnie Bringle .... November 4-5 Acrylic

more information: <http://www.hpdafl.com/>

**Manatee Haven Decorative Artists: (Dunnellon, FL)**

Mary Owens: November 11 ... pen/Ink and Oil Rouging

more information: [www.manateehavendecorativeartists.org](http://www.manateehavendecorativeartists.org)

**Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists ( Winter Haven, FL)**

January 13-14 2018 - Mark Menendez Seminar

<http://citrusridge.org/>

**Society of Decorative Painters 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention**

Detona Beach, FL.... May 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> 2018



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## Peppermint Santa Block

taught by Linda Duff

original by Sharon Bond...done with permission

I enlarged the pattern so I would have about 1 1/4 inches on each side to put the boarder on. That's where you will put the red and white on the sides and on the top and bottom the green with the saying Sweet Santa on top and Greetings on bottom!

First I used etch-all to frost the block ! Or Armor Etch



### Supplies

Large glass block from HL

Etchall can be etched at meeting or before you come. You decide!  
Armour Etch is also a brand of Etching Cream

### Newspaper

I also had rubber gloves so I didn't get on my hands the etching cream.

Once you put on etching cream on, let sit according to directions! About 20 minutes.  
Then scrape etching cream back into container, can be reused

After etching..if you are going to light the block you may want to basecoat it with black gesso or White Gesso + Black acrylic to mix a medium Gray. Let it dry completely before transferring the pattern.

Paints: DecoArt Americana

Deep Midnight Blue

Sand

Antique White

Bleached Sand

Warm White

Snow White

Antique Maroon

Rockwood Red

Tomato Red

Dark Hauser Green

Medium Hauser Green

Irish Moss

Flesh tone

Traditional Burnt Umber

Winter Blue

### Driftwood

I used regular acrylics and put a sealer on after! If you etch the block you don't have to worry about spraying the sealer on before you start.

You may have to resize the pattern to fit your block...

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