



November 2013 **Nature Coast Decorative Artists** Volume 15 Issue 11



Presidents Letter:

Hi Everyone

Thanks to Melissa Miller Nece for a great informational seminar! We learned how to use our pencils for many different effects. Now the trick is to practice, practice, practice! I hope at the November meeting you will bring in some pieces you have done showing what you learned. Start with small pictures, a piece of fruit, a flower or a bird. It doesn't have to be original – use a pattern from PaintWorks or the DP. Just do something while it is fresh in your mind. Bring some of the lovely scarves as well.

I am looking forward to the November meeting for several reasons

1. Hazel is teaching a sunset with a bird silhouette scene in acrylic on canvas. You can use an 8 x 10, 9 x 12 or whatever, you just have to size the bird pattern to fit. Hazel will let you use the colors you like for your sunset, blues, oranges, pinks or you can use her suggested palette.
2. We are having elections. You may still nominate someone or throw your hat in the ring, but the nomination committee has a slate of officers put forth. You must be present to vote, there is no voting by proxy.
3. Secret Sister is in full swing! I received great gifts from my Sis and I know the rest of the "Sisterhood" was pleased and grateful. It is also fun watching your gifts being opened and keeping the secret. Thanks to those who could not make it to the meeting but made the extra effort to send their gifts.
4. After the program I will demo the wood putty technique and we will work on "frosting" the cupcakes for the Christmas Party centerpieces. Many have finished the basic painting on the centerpieces, but if you haven't, we will have some items for you to practice on.

Please pay your dues in November if you haven't already because Rhonda won't want to collect money in December at the Christmas Party.

Christmas Party: Remember that we are having the Chinese Auction at the Christmas Party and would like you to bring a pretty painted piece (unwrapped) or a basket for the table. Bring the item the day of the party. A Chinese Auction does not involve bidding, items are placed on a table with a container in front of them. Raffle tickets are purchased and placed in the container corresponding to the item desired. Tickets are drawn and a winner announced. We are also having an ornament exchange. Bring an ornament hand painted and signed by you, unwrapped for placement on the tree. All who bring an ornament receive one.....

This year is flying by! Keep those brushes moving!



Pat Otto

Nature Coast Decorative Artists meeting minutes

October 6th, 2013 - Weeki Wachee Senior Center

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President Pat Otto.

President: After greeting members, Pat Otto reported that information on the Basic One Painting program was sent to the National Society of Decorative Painters. The National Society reported that they will publish an article on it and informed us that money is available for help to pay for the course.

Programs: Melissa Miller Nece is here today to teach the watercolor pencil seminar. She has brought many beautiful samples of her work.

Pat Otto reported that Hazel Dickson is scheduled to teach a project in the month of November. Since Hazel's husband is ill, Pat Otto will contact her to see if she is available to teach. In the event that she is unable, Pat will step in to teach. *Editor's note** Hazel would like to teach a sunset scene with a bird silhouette. If she is unable to teach, Pat has her permission to teach the class.

Membership: Rhonda Norton reported that 22 members and 2 guests are present.

Christmas Party : JoAnne Raymond reported that tickets for the Christmas Party are going fast. The tickets will still be available at the November meeting if any remain.

Friendship Gathering: Dani Jacques not present due to illness. The next "friendship gathering" is scheduled October 20, 2013 at Lowry Park Zoo. Please contact Dani if you plan to attend.

Secret Sister: Gifts were given out by Jeanette and opened at the meeting. Gifts for those not in attendance were given to friends to deliver.

Show and Tell: 6 members presented their artwork.

No date was set for the Board Meeting.

Pat Landry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 am.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Mihalus
Sitting in for Beverly Brockschmidt.

It's not too early to start planning to join
the fun at the

Sunshine State Decorative Artists
2014 RETREAT

I've Got the



March 27-30, 2014

The project booklet and all registration
information is now on the web...

www.ssdaflorida.com

Reserve your room and pick your
classes early!!!!



NCDA
November
BOARD Meeting
will be
announced

Christmas Party .. Dec. 7th
Check our article for updates



Jamie Mills Price will be at
Ocala Decorative Artists
November 2 & 3, 2013
and

Florida Suncoast Decorative Artists
Nov. 8 & 9, 2013

Check our web home page for links to Florida
chapters and see what they are doing.

Programs.....Sandy Mihalus

Program for the November 2nd workshop

taught by HAZEL DICKSON

Palette—Americana Deco Art

Black...Cadmium Orange...Cadmium Red

Cadmium Yellow....Lemon Yellow

Surface

8x10 canvas or wood, or larger. If using wood prepare by
sanding, sealing, and sanding lightly.

Prep

Give the surface ONE COAT of Lemon Yellow (the lightest
color).

DO NOT put the tracing on. There are more layers of background to be done in class.

Brushes:

1" wash...# 8/0...# 10/0...Mop..and your favorite flats

Supplies:

Grey Transfer paper

Normal painting supplies.

NOTE: The line drawing is on the last page of this newsletter .



Christmas Party JoAnne Raymond

A Cupcake Christmas



Date: Saturday, December 7, 2013

Time: 11:00 - 2: 00

**Place: Silverthorn Country Club off Barclay Ave. in Brooksville
(Spring Hill side of the Suncoast Pkwy).**

Cost: \$15.00/member/spouse/guest

Pat Otto displayed the sample centerpiece at the September meeting. The cost of the centerpiece is more than we usually spend, and the time to paint it takes about 3 days. For these reasons the committee decided not to raffle them but to allow the person who painted them the chance to buy them for the cost of the wood. There will be a nice painted gift raffled at the table, just not the centerpiece.

The meal will be served, not buffet. Choice of lunch is Chicken Piccata or Vegetable Quiche, with Salad. Sides and Dessert. The tickets and tables are numbered. Purchase your tickets so you can sit together with your BFFs. There are round tables that seat eight. JoAnne Raymond has the list of tables and tickets for you to purchase and sign up. There is a room-size limit of 50 people. We ask that you limit the number of guests until members have purchased tickets. Contact JoAnne jayray15@aol.com

Secret Sisters will bring their final gifts and reveal their identity. Gifts will be wrapped with the recipient's name on the package. There is no need for the brown bag at this event.

The Christmas Ornament Exchange will be as in past years. Ornaments must be hand painted and signed by you. Bring it unwrapped to hang on the Christmas tree for display. Those who bring an ornament will have the name put in a box for drawing to receive an ornament. Spouses and guests may participate. Members may paint the ornament for the spouse or guest to bring.

Chinese Auction will be as in past years. Hand painted items, Hand decorated wreaths and baskets filled and shrink-type wrapped will be placed on tables with a cup in front of the item. Two-part tickets will be sold. Participants place as many tickets as desired in the cup corresponding to the item they desire, keeping one half of the two part ticket. Separate drawings for each item determine the winner of the item. Please bring the items the day of the Party. Those wishing to donate but not attending may give JoAnne the items.

Installation of Officers and Awards will be given out at the party.

Any member, who is a Secret Sister or wishes to participate in the Ornament Exchange or Chinese Auction but is not attending the party, should find a trustworthy attending member to buy tickets, bring and exchange items etc.

Sunshine...Dani Jacques



November Birthdays

Carol Kuszik - Nov. 8

Rhonda Norton - Nov. 25th



Friendship Gatherings ...Dani Jacques



With the holidays quickly upon us our Friendship Gatherings are done for the year. We hope that everyone that joined in had a great time and that we learned to know each other a little better.

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Don't forget to check our website for updates between meetings and to check out the photo albums www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE *chairperson Bev Brockschmidt*

Board Nominations for 2014

This is the slate presented by the Nominating Committee. Members in Good Standing may also submit their names for the ballot.

- President – Pat Otto (second term)
- 1st VP-Programs – Linda Duff (Co-chair Kathi Bruckner)
- 2nd VP Membership – Carole Sheftic
- Secretary- Beverly Brockschmidt
- Treasurer – Carol Hechler

Committee Chairs

These are not voted on and are appointed positions. However, the usual procedure is if you would like a chair position submit your name and you will probably be “appointed”

The following members have volunteered.

- Website/Newsletter – Carole Sheftic
- Publicity – Dottie Ptaszynski
- Ways and Means – Sharon Poorman

Hospitality – open

- Library – Rhonda Norton
- Historian – Virginia Hughes
- Photographer – Pat Thompson

Philanthropic – open

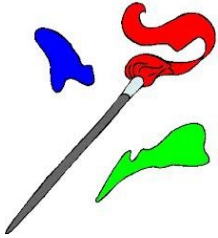
Community Display – open

- Sunshine – Jeanette Seese
- Secret Sister – Jeanette Seese
- Christmas Party – open

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.

Membership... Rhonda Norton

Time to renew your membership

Rhonda has the membership forms or look at the end of this newsletter.

Please remember that all membership dues need to be paid by Dec. 1st.

Just a reminder: Please bring either two \$10.00 bills (money needs to be kept separate) or two checks, one made out to NCDA for \$10.00 and one to WWSC also for \$10.00. Thanks ahead of time from Rhonda.

Bits and Pieces....

To my Secret Sister:

Thank you very much for all the lovely items I found in the cute straw bag which I'll use on my next cruise.

The items inside were all surprisingly exactly what I love.

I really appreciate each and every gift in my bag. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. I can't wait to see who my "Secret Sister" really is, but she certainly seems to know me.

Happy Painting....Hugs, Dottie P.



Nature Coast Decorative Painter Financial Report

by Pat Thompson



October 2013

October beginning balance.....\$6,723.14

Income ...

October Seminar.....M.Nece..... \$200.00

Membership...2014 dues.....90.00

total income \$446.00

Expenses:

M. Nece ..October 5&6 Seminar\$1640.00

S. Mihalus.....19.77

Total expenses for October \$1659.77

Ending Balance for October..... \$5,353.37

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Secret Sister... Jeanette Sease

Please do not forget to have your Secret Sister's second gift ready for this month's exchange.



Last time we had several people absent due to the seminar and other reasons. Carole Sheftic brought and took back several of the gifts.

By now I hope you have all received yours. Oh, how tempting it was to see what was in those bags!!

Unfortunately, there were one or two people who did not receive their gift. If you were a Secret Sister who did not send in your bag with another member, PLEASE remember to bring or send in both gifts in November.

Again, as a reminder, put the NAME of the recipient near the bottom of the bag. We shared some lovely items last month, and I'm sure you're looking forward to this month's exchange.

Editors note:

We were also able to take pics of some of the SS's not at the meeting opening their gifts..check out the web.

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!!!!

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Updates are available on our website: www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com

The Membership Form and Workshop line drawing are on the next pages!!!!



MEMBERSHIP FORM...2014
NATURE COAST DECORATIVE ARTISTS

Please fill in all the information

All members of NCDA Chapter must also be a member of the National Society of Decorative Painters. The membership year for both organizations is from January 1 to December 31. There is no provision for pro-rating of dues. You can find the NSDP link on our Home Page of our website www.naturecoastdecorativeartists.com

NCDA membership dues shall be \$10 per year and shall be payable to correspond with payment of dues to the Society of Decorative Painters (SDP).

Membership in NCDA requires \$10 annual membership in WWSC payable at time of joining NCDA or renewal. **Send NCDA Chapter checks \$10 (made out to NCDA) and separate \$10 check (made out to WWSC)** to the membership chairperson listed on the bottom of this form.

Renewals are due October 1 and delinquent after December 31. There is a \$5 secretarial fee for members who have been taken off and have to be put back on the list. Dues received in September or later in the current year will be for next year's membership. New members joining at this time may attend meetings and receive newsletters, and participate in chapter events, but voting privileges begin next year.

Checks must accompany this NCDA application. Your SDP membership card or proof of payment must be presented within 3 months of join-date. You may bring a photocopy of your card, a receipt from SDP or a recent issue of the Decorative Painter with your address attached.

FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW COMPLETELY, PLEASE PRINT.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday (Month & Day): _____ If renewal SDP#: _____

Circle all that apply:

I would like my phone # and e-mail to be published for the membership list: Yes No

I am a: Teacher Professional/Commercial Artist Shop Owner Wholesaler Manufacturer's Rep

I heard about NCDA from: the newspaper a friend SDP website

Other: _____

I would be willing to teach or demo at a meeting: Yes No Maybe

I belong to another chapter(s) Yes No If yes, please list_

For Office use:

Payment Received _____

Date received _____

Mail to: _____ (or bring to the November meeting)

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