



Manatee Haven Decorative Artists

FEBRUARY 2010

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MHDA Mission: To promote the education of and appreciation for Decorative Painting.



From Pat's Pen ~

Hi Ladies,
Many braved the "Florida Snowstorm" to come to the Meeting and Book Sale! Ladies went home happy with their purchases. Hopefully, we will see many items painted with these designs in the show and tell portion of

the meeting in months to come. I know I got inspired.

We have 2 seminars coming up. Be sure to sign up and remember to send your check to Pam Jones, our new seminar chair. She is new to our chapter and we thank her for jumping right into a position .

I am looking forward to a good year with all of you. I won't repeat things that are said elsewhere in this letter, so please read the committee reports and the minutes.

Pat Otto



SUNDAY: WOOD or METAL * SURFACE WITH BIRDS
*Sandy's sample was painted on a tin ceiling tile. You may put it on a box or plaque. Size is approximately 5 x 7 inches.

GENERAL PREPARATION

Base the background with Driftwood mixed with an equal amount of Multi Purpose Sealer. When dry, sand lightly. Dampen with water and apply while still wet one part Grey Sky to three parts Faux glaze Medium and apply over the background area. Dab with a crumpled plastic bag while still wet. When dry, transfer pattern with dark graphite.





SEMINAR RULES

All seminars must be signed up for by the person attending. Payment must be paid in full at the time of sign-up unless arrangements are made with the seminar chairman. \$10 of this payment is not refundable. Checks should be written to MHDA.

Spaces may be available on the day of the seminar and payment can be made that day, but your seat will not be saved unless you are paid in full.

Refunds will not be given after 30 days before the seminar.

PROGRAMS

Pam Jones

FEBRUARY 13 & 14, 2010

Sandy Aubuchon 2 day seminar - Sandy is going to teach two great projects! Two birds in acrylic on a box or plaque and a painted shirt with butterflies and flowers.

SATURDAY: SHIRT WITH FLOWERS AND BUTTERFLIES

Man's shirt from Wal-Mart (approx \$13) Sample shown in Royal Blue. Sandy hemmed hers to make it more feminine. Wash the shirt and dry without fabric softener. Iron freezer paper to the reverse side from where the design will be. Pattern was shown at the January meeting. It is 3 pages and a loose sketch. It will be mailed to you if you sign up. Transfer pattern with white graphite.



President Pat Otto called meeting to order at 9:40.

1st Vice President of Programs: Pam reported that Sandy Aubuchon will teach two days, February 13th & 14th. Saturday will be flowers on a shirt; Sunday will be the doves on any surface. Sandy has it on a 12x12 tin ceiling tile. Pictures of the projects are on the MHDA website. The leaves on the shirt pattern design are done mostly freehand. Pictures of Sandy Aubuchon wearing the shirt are on the Ocala website. The cost is \$35 per day.

On March 13th Pat Lentine will teach colored pencil. Pam has a list of pencils needed (21 colors) and they are listed on our website. Jan can order them for .89 each but the order must go in ASAP in January. Contact Jan for the information to order them on your own if you do not get the order to her by January 11th.

Membership: Carole Sheftic said that Jan has the updated members address books (handed out to those at the meeting). If there are any corrections you must notify Jan, Carole Sheftic and Pat Otto.

Carole asked that members wear their nametags to the meetings.

Treasurer: Carole Sheftic reported that the club spent \$200 more than collected last year.
Pat will order the charms for the 2009 chairmen.

Carole has the new Reimbursement Vouchers. You must fill in a voucher, get Pat Otto to sign the form, and attach the receipt (s) and give it to Carole for payment. You must have special permission if your receipt is over 90 days old.

Ways & Means: Jan sold tickets for the regular monthly raffle. In addition Jan sold tickets for the special raffle for February for the gift valued at \$125.00. Tickets will be sold in February, also.

There were no birthdays in January, but Allie brought in her birthday gift from November.

Donations for the raffles: Please donate really nice items – something you would like to receive. It would be nice if members donated an item they have painted.

Jan said the club videos will be sold today in the book sale as no one has been renting them.

A reminder: the birthday gift for the raffle should have a value of \$20-\$25.

Hospitality: Bev & Alice – If you are unable to make the meeting you've signed up for, please arrange for someone to fill in and bring a breakfast item.

For the Sandy Aubuchon seminar in February: Breakfast will be supplied; members bring own lunch.

Publicity: Carol Tamms – all going smoothly.

Foster Parents: Lynda Goodman made a motion to raise the donation from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Allie seconded. Motion carried.

If you want to donate items in addition to your \$5.00, please donate quality items, i.e. large bottles of lotion, shampoo, wrapped bars of soap, etc. Dani said we've had no hand-painted items in the baskets and it would be nice for members to donate those.



Philanthropic Foster Child: Club donates \$150 to pay for the gifts. If you see nice items on sale during the year, pick them up. Other children can use items, also, and if these are not suitable for "our" child, they can be given to the program for other children.

Our members can also donate cash if they desire.

Philanthropic Pilot Club Tree: Jan said the Pilot Club indicated they will give MHDA a tree to decorate next year. She showed some items for club approval: wood stockings and bell ornament with quilted pattern. She also mentioned a snowman & mittens that can be added. Sharon made a motion to accept a "quilted theme" for the 2010 tree, seconded by Alice. Motion carried. Jim will cut out the ornaments and the club will pay him. Jan and Alice will provide a list of colors for the ornaments. Each member will be asked to paint at least 8 ornaments.

The 2009 tree cost the club \$376.42 for the ornaments. Our tree won 1st place in the "Old Fashioned Tree category. It is unfortunate that the Pilot Club has not been able to tell us how much the raffle generated for our tree.

Jan & Carole had a lot of fun at the Pilot Club dinner last year and encourage members to consider attending next year.

New Business: The State Retreat is March 18-21 at the Day Spring Conference Center in Ellenton, FL. Carole Sheftic will be teaching. The website is ssdaretreat.com. Projects & forms are on the website.

Christmas Raffle Basket: Dani asked that we bring items only at the Saturday meetings with the November meeting the deadline for all gifts. They must be gift wrapped with your name on a sticky note on the package. Gifts should be a total of \$20.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Dombrowski, Secretary

Wear Your Nametag
You don't want folks
making up names
behind your back.



Badges available from Carole Sheftic.

PROGRAMS

Pam Jones

Jan is ordering some pencils, call her ASAP! if you need some.

MARCH 13, 2010

Pat Lentine Colored Pencil Seminar Free Spirit

Here is a list of the supplies so you can start looking for them.

Sanford Prismacolor Pencils:

- 908 Dark Green
- 914 Cream
- 921 Pale Vermilion
- 924 Crimson Red
- 926 - Carmine Red
- 937 Tuscan Red
- 938 White
- 939 Peach
- 746 Dark Brown, Verithin
- LF122 Permanent Red
- Or 923 Scarlet Lake
- 942 Yellow Ochre
- 943 Burnt Ochre
- 946 Dark Brown
- 947 Dark Umber
- 1002 Yellow Orange
- 1035 Peach Beige
- 1059 Cool Grey 10%
- 1063 Cool Grey 50%
- 1065 French Grey 70%
- 1077 - Colorless Blender

Brush- White Dove Series 465, # 3 Stylus, Eraser
Grey or old Black Graphite, 11 x 14 hard, smooth, drawing board
Canson Mi-Teintes Paper, 11x14: Color - Sand
Nupastel White & Light Blue This is a piece of hard pastel.

Pencil Sharpener-Everyone needs to have access to a battery operated or electric pencil sharpener. If using electric, the cords need to be out of the way of traffic. (Boston battery sharpeners are NOT good). The electric Boston is ok. Panasonic or Omni tech (available at Staples) battery operated sharpeners are good.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

APRIL - Pam Jones will teach woodcarving. The project will be 2 manatees. You will learn how to use a knife and veining tool.

MAY - We will paint quilted Christmas tree ornaments. A stocking, a snowman a bell and a mitten

JUNE - Pat Otto will teach a sandpiper on the beach in acrylics

JULY - No meeting - Vacation

SUNSHINE

Bea Peterson

A card was sent to Pat Buss who had knee surgery.

WAYS & MEANS

Jan Bittner

Items brought in for the Ways and Means Raffle are to be things that you would desire enough to buy \$5 worth of tickets. Please don't bring in old wood or cheap items. If you bring in small items, group them nicely and make them attractive in a basket. This is our meat and potatoes money maker throughout the year that pays our basic expenses. The other raffles are for seminars and extras. You know the type of items you would want to receive. Please give accordingly. A nicely painted item would be welcomed each month.





BOARD MEETINGS will be held at 3:00 PM on the Wednesday after our meeting unless other arrangements are announced. Meetings will be in the same location as our chapter meetings, Jan's Studio.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Jan Bittner and Allie Lockman have volunteered to chair the Christmas Party. They are filled with terrific ideas and are open to suggestions. Dani Jacques will head up the Giant Basket Raffle again.

Meeting Time 9:30 AM
Doors open at 9:00 AM
Please don't come earlier than 9:00 unless you have made prior arrangements.



**MONTHLY REPORT -
January 2010
TREASURER
Carole Sheftic**

BALANCE **\$3,426.24**

INCOME

Membership Dues \$24.00
Ways & Means \$69.00
Book Sale \$153.55
Christmas Party \$92.00

Total Income **\$338.55**

Total income + balance brought forward \$3,764.79

EXPENSES

Rent for meeting place \$20.00
Office Supplies \$18.00

Total Expenses **\$38.00**

ending balance as of JANUARY/10 **\$3,726.79**

Get paid back fast....

Please remember that any receipts must be turned in for reimbursements in a timely manner.

1. Receipts must be attached to a "completed" reimbursement voucher obtained from the treasurer.
2. Receipts should not be older than 90 days without special consideration by the President
3. Receipts must be approved by the President before presenting them to the treasurer for reimbursement
3. Please present completed and signed vouchers to the treasurer before the start of meetings or the start of workshops.

The form is similar to this sample:



**MANATEE HAVEN
DECORATIVE ARTISTS**

Reimbursement Form Date: _____

Name: _____

Items	Category	Total
Total		

Signature _____

Authorized by: _____

Date: _____

FOSTER PARENTS

Lynda Goodman

Each year we provide 10 baskets for the parents of foster children. It would be great if you could bring in 10 of something to put in the baskets. Please bring nice items, not samples from hotel rooms. You are not obligated to bring in anything, but we know you are a generous chapter and want to give to others. We do ask all chapter members to donate \$5 to cover the cost. These are nice baskets and are a real blessing to those who receive them.



MEMBERSHIP

Carole Sheftic

There were many changes to the Membership Books. **Please bring your book to Jan and you will receive an updated one.** Please check out your information and let Carole and Jan know of any necessary changes.

Do I know your name?

Don't forget to hunt-up your Membership pin and wear it to the meetings. The new members really appreciate the help it gives them by putting names to faces. If you do not have a pin, please let me know and I will get you a blank, the pattern and instructions.

New membership cards were handed out. If you did not get one see Carole.

NEW MEMBER
Joan Dahl
16623 W River Rd
Inglis FL 34449
phone 352-447-4178
e-mail: online@rosema.com
DOB..July 24



WELCOME!



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS
Sandy Baldwin 2/22
Marcia Clarke 2/25

HOSPITALITY - Alice Frisch & Beverly Brockschmidt

Signed up to bring February Sandy Aubuchon Seminar goodies:

Saturday:

Eileen Lawill

Carol Dombrowski

Sue Glavan

Sunday:

Alice Frisch

Beverly Brockschmidt

Sue Glavan

Those attending, please bring a sack lunch.

Thank you to all who have signed up to help the Hospitality Committee with goodies at our future Monthly Meetings. We appreciate your generosity.

Before You Leave Home Check List:

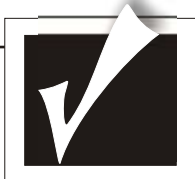
- Do I have money for class?
- Do I have money for a raffle ticket?
- Do I have my paints, brushes, project and supplies*?
*See below for list.
- Do I have food for hospitality table?
- Do I have my video to return?
- Do I have a Show & Tell Item?

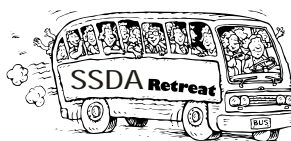
* General Supply

Checklist

These items should be in your Painting Day Carry All Bag:

- Water basin
- Paper Towels
- Transfer Paper (dark & light)
- Pencil, Pen & Notepad
- Stylus
- Tracing Paper
- Ink pen for tracing (Sharpie fine point, Micron or Rapidograph)
- Palette (Wet, Dry or Waxed) as specified by teacher
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Q-Tips
- Eraser (Kneaded, Pink Pearl, Artgum)
- Brush Cleaner
- Brushes (Sizes will usually be specified by the teacher, but to be safe, bring a variety of flat, angle, round, liners and wash brushes.
- If you prepped a surface at home, bring some of your prep color





Sunshine State Decorative Artists

Check out the web site www.ssdaretreat.com

Coming this March 18-21

Florida painters and some from others states gather for the fun of painting together. There are no vendors like a convention, this is just paint, eat, relax and party. Dayspring Retreat Center is a very pretty area with nature walks and quiet places to sketch or relax. Our own Carole Sheftic is teaching a class this year.



From Ann Kingslan website:

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 1:

I will research a new piece everyday (through books, magazine clippings, museum visits or by sketching). I will record the ideas because I really am not going to remember them.

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 2:

I'll set aside at least 30 minutes a day to do something creative or inspiring that's not focused on an end result.

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 3:

I'll do at least one painting in an unfamiliar size such as a square, an oval, really big or really small.

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 4:

On my birthday, anniversary, New Year's Day (pick the special day), I will treat myself to something I've always wanted such as a new set of brushes, an easel, a set of DVDs, a paint kit.

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 5:

I will sign up for class just to recharge and be with fellow artists.

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 6:

I'll continue to share the helpful things I've ever learned about painting with other artists through newsletters, classes and any way I can.

New Year's Resolution for Artists No 7:

I will put painting first, not just a reward after "everything" else is finished because "everything" else never will be finished but a new painting will!

<http://www.kingslan.com>



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February

Our meetings are the second Saturday of each month except for July and December
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