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ILLINOIS HEARTLAND DECORATIVE ARTISTS

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Caryl Nuckols, IHDA Co-Editor **Volume: 39** **Issue No. 7** **Month: September 2016**

Remember the "importance" of an Active Membership - -
Contributing our Time and Talents.

< CHAPTER MEETING >

Date: **September 17, 2016**
Time: **9:00 a.m.**
Where: **Recreation Center**
100 E. Flessner Avenue
Rantoul, Illinois
(Old Chanute AF Base)

NO PARKING ON FLESSNER
ONLY HANDICAP
Parking allowed on that street.

VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED

"REMINDER"

DON'T FORGET ITEMS….!!

- **Chairmen: turn in attendance sheets**
- **Bring Memory Boxes**
- **Sign up for Projects from Within**
- **Sign up for shifts at Chris Cringle**
- **Bring a Friend**
- **Start Planning your Allerton Retreat 2017 Class!**
- **Pay your SDP & IHDA dues**

CHAPTER EVENTS

Chris Cringle:
The Fluid Events Center
November 11th & 12th, 2016
Contact: Joyce Quinlan & Caryl Nuckols

Allerton Retreat:
April 28th, 29th & 30th, 2017
Theme: Hat's Off to Crafting

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Teach a class at Allerton!

FIRST CLASS

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2016 Board Meetings:

January – 13 – 6:00pm	**July – 6 – 6:00pm**
February – 3 – 6:00pm	**August – (No Meeting)**
March – 2 – 6:00pm	**September – 7 – 6:00pm**
April – (No Meeting)	**October – 5 – 6:00pm**
May – 4 – 6:00pm	**November – (NO MEETING)**
June – cancelled	**December – (?)**

2016 Chapter Business Meetings

January - 16	**July - 16**
February - 20	**August - (No Meeting)**
March - 19	**September - 17**
April 22, 23, 24, 2016 **IHDA Allerton Retreat** **"CELEBRATE ART!"**	**October - 15**
May - 21	**November – Chris Cringle** **November 11th & 12th** **Set-up Time:** **Place: The Fluid Events Center**
June - 18	**December – (No Meeting)**

****Please note that if you ever have questions whether a scheduled meeting/event will occur, please feel free to contact an officer before you travel to confirm that everything is still on.**

Newsletter Deadline:
Please, e-mail your report or information to the Editor, Nancy Bellmore, "the Thursday before" the scheduled Board Meeting, *(October Newsletter articles are due no later than September29th.)*

From the President:

September Greetings!

I am still in a bit of disbelief that summer is winding down, students are back in school and ILLINI Football will soon be here! I hope everyone had a great couple of months. I was very fortunate and was able to slip away in August for a few days and take in some of the HOOT activities held in Columbus, Ohio. It is always fun to check out the new projects, ideas and skills at the trade show as well as get to spend time with good friends. I keep looking at all the treasures I decided I just had to have and wonder just when I thought I would have the time to do them! The first action is to get them carried down to my craft area but so far I just keep walking around the bags right where I unloaded them! On the garden front I must report that my tomatoes have decided to produce enough bounty for everyone in my subdivision, which is making up for the failure of my other vegetables!

We are nearing the end of this IHDA year and I thank everyone who has contributed their time and talent to make it such a successful year so far. I know the remainder of the year will be just as successful and will go by in a blur. I also want to thank everyone who has indicated a willingness to consider serving as a committee chair or officer for next year. As I have often shared, being active in this club has been such a blessing to me, has formed life changing friendships and has helped me accomplish things I never would have done before. I hope when the nominating committee asks for your assistance and participation you will say yes!

Don't forget to keep promoting the club and Chris Cringle to the community. It is really easy to keep a couple of the advertising cards in your belongings to hand out. You just never know where we will find new members and new exhibitors!

We have a couple of opportunities remaining to paint together as a club yet this year and I hope many of you will be staying to paint the Water Color Batik Christmas Cards with Mary Lou Mathews & Shirley Dammerman after the September meeting. Remember, Chris Cringle is not very far way!

Go ILLINI!

September Birthdays!

9/3 Becky Smith
9/9 Alfreda Hopper
9/29 Judy McCoy-Lindauer

Happy Birthday Ladies!

Engineering…

To allow the members more time to visit while enjoying refreshments, we ask the committee to announce "refreshments are served" as soon as they are set-up. Suggested time be no later than 8:30am.

Refreshment Committee for September:
Alfreda Hopper, Josie Hopper and Sharon Gardner

Your help is always appreciated. Please contribute your time and energy by helping with setting up tables & chairs, making coffee, table decorations, clean-up, etc. Doors are open by 8 a.m. allowing time for prep and set-up by the designated refreshment committee.

Please let me know when running low on any supplies. Contact me with questions and concerns.

Thank you, Barb Bickers, Chairman
Phone: (217) 352-1580
E-mail: Barb1gg@aol.com

Merits…

To all committee chairs: please continue to turn in all attendance sheets monthly.

Jo Colman - Chairman

Chapter Concerns…

Please keep the following members and former members in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with health and personal concerns:

Judy Warden's husband passed away in August. Judy is a former member and beautiful painter. Judy is also dealing with health concerns.

Andi Fish – Hospitalized for 5 days with Ischemic Colitis. She is home and feeling much better.

Chris Cringle…

Chris Cringle is fast approaching! We still have openings in the show so, if you know of someone or are out and about and see a prospective vendor, PLEASE give them our contact information!

The advertising committee has been working hard! We'll let them explain at the meeting what they've been up to. Rack cards are being delivered to various locations/rest stops. There will be postcards/posters available at the September meeting for ALL to take and distribute.

The quilt is being pieced! Yay! We're excited to have this project to phase 2 and are ready to paint on solid surfaces again! Again, many thanks to Pat Adametz and Charlotte Craft for helping me in this endeavor! Jane Johnson has graciously volunteered to help us with the piecing!

We will need to order new date stickers for the yard signs or maybe new signs if the current ones are in rough shape. PLEASE email jmquinlan58@gmail.com to let me know how many yard signs you may have and if they are good enough to use again.

The work schedule will be at the next meeting so PLEASE SIGN UP FOR A COUPLE OF SHIFTS! We really need your help!!

Last but not least, we are looking for several, (or many!) Who would be willing to decorate some areas in the main entry room of the FECenter to make it appear more festive. Please let us know if you can help with this!

Thanks bunches! -Joyce & Caryl

Allerton Retreat…

Hats Off to Crafting!

April 28th, 29th & 30th, 2017

Woo Hoo! Committee Folks are working hard on next year! Rhonda Tucker & Sandra Roesch were out in full force at the trade show at HOOT making connections with vendors and gathering donations for the Goody Bags. I am not quite sure how they managed to get everything packed in their vehicle for the trip home but my hat is off to them!

The teacher inquiries are starting to come in and they sound pretty cool! Please consider sharing your talents with us as we strive to put together a great retreat week-end. The submission deadline for a free weekend is October 17th (Make It Take It 50%). Submissions made October 18th through November 14th will receive a 50% discount (Make It Take It 25%).

We need teachers from our **MEMBERSHIP!** Please be thinking about what project you would like to teach. It can be: acrylic, basket weaving, colored pencil, fabric painting, glass painting, mixed media, oil, sewing, scrapbooking, Stampin' Up, water color, etc., **whatever** fun project you might like to share your knowledge of with the attendees at the retreat. April 2017 will be here before you know it!

The catalog will be assembled and ready for the January 2017 meeting. Thank you,

Jo Menacher, Chairman

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Education…

A check for $250 was sent to Deerfield High School and was well received. A check was sent to U of I in the amount of $500 for the 2016-2017 winner, Michela Emmerich.

Seminars…

We are scheduled to have Judy Diephouse in March, 2017. Sign-up sheet and registration form will be available at the September chapter meeting.
We have scheduled Mark Polomchak for July, 2018 by popular request.
We had a very successful, fun and enjoyable seminar in July with Mark Polomchak. 22 were in attendance on Friday and 23 on Saturday. And of course, again he entertained us with his other talent of singing and playing the piano along with learning. Most of us came close to or did finish our projects in class...even me, Joanie, the picky detail painter.
Shirley and I thank our committee for all of their help in setting up and clean up for the seminar. I appreciated Shirley making it possible for my idea of our seminar classroom to be more colorful.
Thank you,
Joanie and Shirley Co-chairman

Beautiful paintings! Great teacher! Good time!

It's not too early to start planning your trip to Daytona!

Our Allerton Lucky Buck gals, Rhonda Tucker and Sandra Roesch, were spotted at HOOT connecting with some of the many contributors they have come to know over the years (by phone and e-mail)! They were so excited to finally meet some of these generous folks face to face…Judy Diephouse, Margot Clark, Debby Forshey-Choma, Lynne Deptula, Maxine Thomas, Holly Hanley, Patty Rawlings and the girls at DecoArt and more!

Here they are with Lynne Deptula and Judy Diephouse. (above)
And (below) with Debby Forshey.

Merits…

Committee Chairmen, please turn in your attendance sheets monthly.

Thank you,
Jo Coleman, Chairman

Intact Families…

September Member of the Month is Marge Stark! Thank-you for all you do!

I am very happy to report that our Intact Donation was gratefully received by Bonnie Specchio with the Church Women United Clothing Center in Rantoul for their Back to School Day Project. In addition to a cash donation of $250, we were able to provide them with 40 extremely sturdy backpacks from Menards.

Thanks!
Jo Menacher

A note from the editor…

Newsletter articles for October are due by September 29th.
If you are a committee chairman, officer or simply have something you want to contribute, email your report/article as you want it printed.
If you do not have anything for a given month, kindly email me by the given deadline and simply tell me you have nothing to report. This way I am not waiting a week to 10 days for something that will never arrive.
Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Projects from Within…

Batik Greeting Cards Taught By –
Shirley and Mary Lou Painting Project for September:

Supplies needed by participants:
-- 2 water containers
-- # 4 and # 6 round brush or something close to this.
-- a 1 or 1 1/2-inch flat brush
-- a black fine point permanent marker
-- paper towels or small old hand towel
-- tissues can be helpful
-- a water color tray if you have one, but it won't be necessary
-- if you have a mason board that you have used for this type of painting before, please bring it
--an open mind to enjoy a couple of hours together without too much pressure!

The fee for the supplies provided is $2.00.

The photo that has been submitted for the newsletter contains four pictures. Patterns for those pictures and others will be available. If you have an idea for something that you might like to try, please feel to bring it and try it!

Since I believe I have misplaced the signup list that Joanie gave me, it would be nice if you could send us a text or email stating that you will be joining us for our little paint party after the September meeting!

Shirley Dammerman - - Text: 217-530-1916 or
E-mail - - shirleyd1146@gmail.com
Mary Lou Mathews - - Text: 217-493-0010 or
E-mail - - mlm1946@hotmail.com

Please let Shirley or Mary Lou know ASAP so that they may be able to have enough supplies ready for the project.

October Project: Memory Box taught by Barb Bickers

Thank you, Joanie Dawdy, Chairman
E-mail: joaniedpaints@gmail.com

Projects & Donations…

No Report

Membership…

No Report

American Colors

Here are a few “old favorites” now available under a new name!

DA078-3 Fleshtone is now Warm Beige
DA024-3 HiLite Flesh is now White Peach
DA137-3 Shading Flesh is now Deep Blush
DA09-3 Flesh is now Natural Beige

Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists
July 16, 2016 Chapter Meeting

The Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists chapter meeting was held July 16, 2016, at the Rantoul Recreation Center. President Jo Menacher called the meeting to order. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary: Sharon Gardner-not present- minutes were printed in the newsletter and approved as corrected.

Treasurer: Caryl Nuckols- reported a checking balance of $14,061.34.

Membership: Judy Reitz- reported that we have 54 paid members. Birthday brushes were distributed. Faye Colwell was the lucky winner of a $20 gift card.

Correspondence Secretary: Ellen Theesfeld-not present. Ellen had hip surgery and is recovering nicely and just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Judy McCoy Lindauer's husband is having health issues. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Birthday cards have been sent out. Please let Ellen know of any concerns.

Newsletter: Nancy Bellmore – reported that the deadline for the newsletter will be August 25th.

Allerton: Jo Menacher – reported that teacher request letters have been sent out. Looking for a variety of mediums. Sharon Gardner is working to reserve a hotel block.

Education: Penne Beckett – The 2015 scholarship winner was at the meeting today. Emily Goetting gave a talk on her first year of college art classes and brought some of her projects that were done in classes. It was a pleasure to see her work and listen to her experiences.

Engineering: Barb Bickers – thanked the committee for today's refreshments.

Chris Cringle: Caryl Nuckols & Joyce Quinlan- reported we have 88 spaces sold so far. The quilt is progressing. Work schedule was passed around.

Intact: Jo Menacher –reported that she spoke with Bonnie Specchio in regards to the Back to School Day Project in Rantoul. The club will donate to this cause. Woodland School in Iroquois County that we supported in the past has closed.

Merit Points: Jo Coleman – present! Jo thanked those that helped her with merit points while she recuperated.

Projects & Donations: Marge Stark- thanked all those who painted memory boxes. A thank you was received from Anna Brown, winner of the Ford County Fair. Fisher Community Fair winner was Jo Menacher.

Projects from Within: Joanie Dawdy– reported upcoming projects - September will be batik cards with Shirley Dammerman and Mary Lou Mathews. In October, Barb Bickers will teach a memory box.

Seminars: Joan Dawdy & Shirley Dammerman reported that Mark Polomchack will be here July 29th, 30th and that seminar is full. Judy Diephouse will be here March 24th & 25th 2017.

New Business: We received our Chapter Achievement Award. We are also trying to move the meeting start time up about 20 minutes.

Nominating committee for selection of slate of officers was appointed. Penne Beckett volunteered from last years committee to chair. Faye Colwell volunteered from the board. Jo Coleman, Pat Adametz and Nancy Bellmore were appointed.

Next chapter meeting is September 17, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.

Next board meeting is Wednesday, September 7, at 6 P.M.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:59 A.M.

Joyce Quinlan, Secretary Pro Tem

It is time to renew your membership with the National Organization, the Society of Decorative Painters. Did you ever wonder what your benefits are?

Extremely important is the fact that SDP provides insurance coverage for our membership as well as coverage for special events including the Chris Cringle Craft Show. Another outstanding indirect benefit to our local club is the credibility that being a recognized member of the national organization generates for us. This association is extremely important when the Allerton Retreat Lucky Buck committee is soliciting donations for the goody bags from the hundreds of vendors they contact. Being a member of the National Organization, SDP, helps the committee in soliciting donations and building contacts.

Here is a partial list of some of the individual benefits from your membership from the website.

1. Access to four issues of The Decorative Painter, the official magazine of the Society of Decorative Painters, each year, which contains several projects per issue, Society updates and a variety of articles about decorative painting.
Attend the 45th Annual Society of Decorative Painters International Conference & Expo, which will be held May 16-20, 2017 at Ocean Center, Daytona Beach in Daytona Beach, Florida.
2. Receive member-only discounts with a growing list of painting industry businesses that provide surfaces, supplies and patterns for painters. Use these discounts to offset the cost of your SDP membership, try a new medium, or build a collection!
3. Recognized worldwide Certification Program trains painters to develop their skills with the goal of earning the title of Accredited Decorative Painter, Certified Decorative Artist and/or Master Decorative Artist in the tradition of many beloved artists and teachers from the history of SDP.
4. Learn to teach, stay informed about teaching news and techniques, and become SDP certified with the Teacher Development Program. Use your painting skills to develop a business and earn an income doing what you love.
Stay up to date on industry news and continue to learn with our emails and online publications. Connect with SDP daily through decorativepainters.org, the SDP blog and Facebook page.
5. Access to the member page of decorativepainters.org, where you will find the digital version of The Decorative Painter, online-only projects, technique videos, your member discount list, and more.

In addition, to these tangible items that come with your SDP membership, you will become an essential part of the premier international painting organization where you will grow your artistic skills, meet new lifelong painting friends, be part of the painting community and help shape the future for decorative painting.