

## High Plains Decorative Artists May 2013 Newsletter

There are no May birthdays in our membership, so a very merry UNbirthday to all! 🎂

Denise Eccles, HPDA Newsletter Editor

**Notes from Prez:** We had a very fun and enjoyable seminar with Lynne Andrews. Most of the girls got all three pieces almost done and some completed more than one of each. It was a fun time and seemed to be enjoyed by all. The food was delicious as usual and more than enough. We have Cec and Julia to thank for all their time and preparation they did such a good job. There were many door prizes and Lynne donated her teaching piece as one of the prizes and everyone was anxious to win something. Hopefully you Oil painters are getting ready for the May meeting so that you can take Sandy Franz oil class. I know Bev has been preparing this and I know all of you will have a good time. This would also be a great time for those of you who would like to try oils also.

One of our Fundraisers this year is our container lunch in June. There is a date change it will be June 15, 2013 at the usual meeting place. We have also combined this with our annual Show and Tell day so bring pieces that you have completed or almost have completed to share with the rest of the group and show us how busy you have been painting this year. The container lunch was a meeting idea that Kate Dowd suggested a few years ago and it was so much fun and so successful we decided to do it again. You need to paint something (it can be a box, a bowl, a shovel, a tray, or anything you wish) then make a lunch (salad, sandwich or something delicious you make) and this will be attached to your painted piece. You bring it to the meeting and we will display all of them and then they will be given a number and you will pick a number and receive a painted piece and a lunch. We had so many beautiful and interesting pieces and the lunches were delicious and the friendship that we had with the other members could only strengthen our bonds. There will be a \$20 donation as this will help us fund other things for the membership and we don't have to sell things the rest of the year. I hope you will attend and see how much fun this can be and maybe it will become an annual event. Just remember that you will have lunch get a beautiful painted piece and have fun at the same time. If you have questions please call one of the officers. The National Conference is May 13 thru 19 in Chicago. Hope some of you are planning to attend.

In August we are having Charles Danford for watercolor class and we are looking forward to that.

Please come and join us at any of these meeting, I know you will have a great time if you do come.

HAPPY PAINTING !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Ruth

Rodriguez

## **High Plains Decorative Artists 2013 Calendar**

May 11: High Plains, Wet on Wet Oil Painting by Sandee Franz

June 15: High Plains, Chapter Meeting & Container Luncheon Fundraiser  
(\$20 per ticket)

July: High Plains - NO MEETING!

August 10: High Plains, Charles Danford Watercolor Seminar

September 14: High Plains, Chapter Meeting & Mystery Projects Day

October 12-13: High Plains, Diane Bunker Seminar

November 9: High Plains, Chapter Meeting & Watercolor Gift Bag by Bev Martinez

December 14: High Plains Chapter Holiday Party at Ruth Rodriguez'

Just a reminder to check our regional SPD chapter websites regularly for all the latest news!

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Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter - <http://www.rockymountainhiartists.com/>

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