

Painters Palette

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News from the Pres:

As usual in Colorado we have two seasons, Winter and Road Construction with hot temperatures. Hopefully you are able to use your free time for fun vacations and family and friend cookouts: but if it's too hot outside, maybe you have had time to produce a hand crafted piece for our container luncheon on July 11.

Our June seminar, June 13 & 14 featured the art of Chris Thornton-Deason and was co-sponsored with Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter. Chris has been a rock in the decorative painting community sharing her talent and creativity with anyone who is interested. We were introduced to the new Chalky Finish paints by Americana Décor which we used on canvas, glass and wood. These paints are an ultra-matte finish, cover well and do not require prepping of the surface other than having a clean surface to start. Techniques such as distressing, layering, dry brushing and stenciling all perform well with the fluid version of this product. In addition the line includes crème wax which is water based and applies easily with a brush or soft cloth. The two busy days of Chris' seminar exposed participants to all the techniques and surfaces. Of course, we found time to break for lunch which was provided on Saturday by our chapter and Sunday, by Rocky Mountain Hi chapter. As usual we were fed well and enjoyed the time to catch up with old friends. A big thank you to all of our contributors for delightful and delicious lunch breaks which was a huge part of the success of the seminar.

July 11 meeting is our container lunch and show and tell. Remember, this is one of the few fund raisers we have for the chapter. While you are painting containers, grab a memory box and paint it too. Bring it to the July meeting as we need the boxes.

Bev Martinez, President

**Minutes from General Meeting
High Plains Decorative Artists
March 14, 2015**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Bev Martinez at 9:12am; 14 members and one guest were in attendance.

1st Vice President: Janet Gropp announced the following programs for the remainder of the year:

April - Faux stained glass; the fee will be \$15 and all supplies are included. The meeting will begin at 10am; please bring a box to take your project home as it will probably not be dry.

May - No meeting

June - Chris Thornton seminar, co-sponsored with Rocky Mt. Hi Chapter (June 13-14)

July- Show & Tell/Container Luncheon

August - Jamie Mills-Price seminar (August 29-30)

September - Judy Hopkins - program TBD

October - Mystery Day

November - No meeting

December - Holiday party at Cec Rae's home

2nd Vice President: Carolyn Culwell reported that the Chapter had 54 members.

Secretary: Beth Newton moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting; Janet Gropp seconded.

Treasurer: Chris Hoynes reported a total of \$7,690.52 in the treasury and that she had filed the Non-Profit tax forms as required by the IRS.

Newsletter: Ruth Rodriguez would like any articles by March 22nd.

Old Business: According to SDP, approving our proposed bylaws will take a little longer as they are short staffed.

New Business: Kate Dowd will teach the Halloween glass block class in Colorado Springs for Pike's Peak Decorative Painters Chapter on April 18th; all are welcome.

Announcements: Beth Newton attended a bead show and displayed a carrier from YAZZII.com, known as the Crafters Companion (lots of interest was shown by the "beaders" in the group).

Kate Dowd will teach two classes at the bead show, April 25-26. HPDA will have a table and PPDP wants to add a few pieces of art to our display. If anyone has anything finished they wish to display, please contact Marcy Crawl or Bev Martinez. Bev will make up a flyer to distribute to interested people.

Carolyn Culwell brought the metal ornaments for the Chris Thornton seminar in June (\$21.00 each).

The Lone Tree Arts Center is displaying art from the Water Color Society.

Adjourn: Dana Jennings motioned to adjourn; Janet Gropp seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:32am.

Beth Newton and Ruth Rodriguez won door prizes.

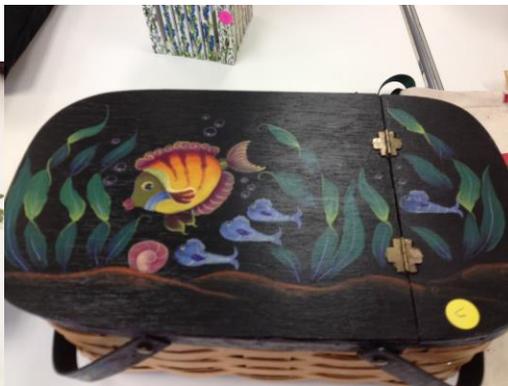
Respectfully submitted:

Cec Rae
Secretary

Sunshine – If you know of someone who needs a card of health or sympathy let Beth Newton know . Beth-Newton@comcast.net

Remaining 2015 Calendar

July Project: Meet at 11:00 am



These are just a few samples of last year's containers. As you can see the container can be anything you want it to be just that it is handmade. We will meet at the school at 11:00 am. We will have a salad potluck so try that new salad recipe you have been wanting to make or one that you already really like. The chapter will provide the dessert, drinks, plates and utensils. There will be a donation of \$20 to the chapter as this is one of our fund raisers and you will leave with a very nice handmade piece, a fun time with fellow painters, and a full tummy.

Also it is show and tell so bring that recently completed piece, something you have almost finished, or anything you are very proud of as we enjoy seeing what everyone has been painting or crafting. Many of us have our fingers into other areas of the art forms.

August project: Jamie Mills Price Seminar is August 29 and 30 for pictures of the projects check the website. Carolyn says surfaces and patterns for our Jamie Mills Price Seminar should be available at the container luncheon for High Plains members, and at the Pikes Peak picnic to be held July 18 for the Colorado Springs members. If you cannot attend either function, let Carolyn know and she will make other arrangements with you to get them.

September Project: Judy Hopkins Santa



Judy Hopkins has done it again a beautiful piece to paint on September 12, 2015. The wood piece and pattern will be \$12 and there will be a fee for the class that will be announced later. This class will be an all day class.

Janet will have a signup sheet at the July meeting

October – Mystery Day

November – No Meeting

December – Holiday Party at Cec Rae's house

July Birthdays

Melinda Barnes 7/30
Dolly Copeland 7/10
Julia Duggan 7/7
Judy Hopkins 7/17
Angela McClain 7/25
Peggi Severini 7/13
Linda Simmons 7/2

August Birthdays

Cindy Bauer 8/21
Diana (Doe) Clore 8/31
Janet Gropp 8/25
Claudia Keith 8/29
Karen Leitner 8/23
Marie Matous 8/15
Annie McDonald 8/28
Norma Sauter 8/31

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