



November Newsletter  
High Plains Decorative Artists  
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### **News from the Prez:**

Where has this year gone? All too quickly time moves for us whether we like it or not and here it is weeks away from Thanksgiving and our Holiday party! Our November meeting is a shrinky-dink project from our creative member Kate Dowd who dabbles in jewelry as well as decorative painting with delightful earrings befitting the holiday season.

It is that time of year where we need to elect chapter officers. A slate of officers is listed in this newsletter and will be voted upon at our meeting this month. Please join us for Kate's creative and fun project as well as the election of officers. Again, please read our newsletter as it is chocked full of information.

Reminder...Chapter dues, and national dues are due within the next several weeks.

Bev Martinez, President

**Minutes from General Meeting  
High Plains Decorative Artists  
August 29, 2016**

President Bev Martinez held a very short meeting during the Jamie Mills-Price Seminar when she explained that SDP had approved HPDA's new By-laws and Standing Rules; she provided several copies for the members to read; during the lunch hour they were brought up for discussion. Janet Gropp made a motion to approve the By-laws and Standing Rules as published; Melinda Barnes seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

Bev explained to the members present that the Security office in the Administration building where HPDA's meetings are held had been refurbished. However, the school ran out of money and could not afford either a refrigerator or microwave for the office. The Security officers are not allowed to leave the office during their shift and it was putting a hardship on the staff. After some discussion, Judy Hopkins made a motion for HPDA to purchase a small refrigerator and microwave for the Security office; Cec Rae seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cec Rae  
Secretary

Minutes from General Meeting  
High Plains Decorative Artists  
September 12, 2015

**Call to Order:** President Bev Martinez called the meeting to order at 10:05am; nine members were in attendance.

**First Vice President:** Janet Gropp said that the October meeting date was changed to the 17th of the month. "Mystery Day" will feature a domino necklace with a butterfly pattern, a faux abalone butterfly ornament, and a Halloween clothespin. She needs members to RSVP in order to have enough surfaces and paint.

There was a discussion as to the November meeting; **IF** Pikes Peak's bazaar is the first weekend in November vs the second weekend, HPDA will have a meeting and Kate Dowd will be teaching a Christmas tree shrinky-dink earrings project. **IF** PPDP's bazaar is the second weekend in November, HPDA will not have a meeting so that members can travel to Colorado Springs to support the bazaar.

**Secretary:** Cec Rae will get the abbreviated notes typed up from the August seminar regarding the passage of HPDA's by-laws and Standing Rules.

**Treasurer:** Chris Hoynes was not in attendance, but Bev said that the checking account had a little over \$9,000 but not all the bills had been turned in for the August seminar.

**2nd Vice President:** Carolyn Culwell was not in attendance, but Bev reminded everyone that December 1st is the deadline for SDP annual dues and December 31st is the due date for HPDA membership renewal.

**Seminars:** Janet mentioned that Melinda Barnes had found a site for the Friday session of Kathy George's 2016 seminar--a church at Colorado Blvd. and Hampden Avenue. Melinda also said that Rocky Mt. High is bringing Marlene Kreutz in for a 2016 seminar and will get together with Janet & Carolyn for possible co-sponsorship of the seminar. Janet has held discussions with Wendy Goldberg for a possible one-day seminar.

**Newsletter:** Ruth Rodriguez needs input by September 20th.

**Old Business:** Bev mentioned that during the Jamie Mills-Price seminar the Chapter had approved the new By-laws and Standing Rules and that the date for the October meeting had been changed. Bev also reiterated that the Chapter had approved the purchase of a small refrigerator and microwave for the Security office of the Administration Building where our meetings are held. Janet will get the measurements and Ruth offered to purchase the items at either Costco or Sam's Club.

**New Business:** Bev would like a nominating committee for officers needed to fill vacant slots in 2016. Beth Newton has volunteered to serve as Treasurer, but officers are still needed for 1st and 2nd Vice President, Newsletter and Hospitality.

**Announcements:** Jamie Mills-Price surfaces that she painted during the August seminar will be offered up as door prizes either during the holiday party or the January meeting. Tickets will be sold and the winner must be present to win.

Memory boxes are desperately needed.

Kate Dowd has a second grandson.

DecoArt, who provided the paint for Judy Hopkins' project, also provided product handouts for everyone present.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cec Rae  
Secretary

**Minutes from General Meeting  
High Plains Decorative Artists  
October 17, 2015**

**Call to Order:** In President Bev Martinez' absence, 1st Vice President Janet Gropp called the meeting to order at 10:15am; nine members were in attendance.

**1st Vice President:** Janet Gropp said that Kate Dowd would be teaching a Christmas Tree shrinky-dink project at the November meeting; an RSVP will be needed so enough packets will be available. The class will be \$10, which includes one packet; other packets will be available for \$5. The holiday party will be on December 12th at Cec Rae's home.

**Secretary:** Cec Rae had nothing to report; several month's of minutes will be published in the next newsletter so they can be approved at the next meeting.

**Treasurer:** Chris Hoynes reported a balance of \$6,707.63.

**2nd Vice President:** Carolyn Culwell said that the forms for membership renewal are on the website; the renewal fee is \$15 and due by December 31st. SDP membership renewal is due by December 1st.

**Seminars:** Carolyn and Janet reported that Kathy George will present a 3-day seminar April 8-10, 2016. It will be co-sponsored with Rocky Mt. High Chapter and there will be a daily price if someone cannot attend all three days.

Jillybean Fitzhenry is scheduled for May 21-22, 2016 in Colorado Springs (Pikes Peak Decorative Painters).

Marlene Kreutz is scheduled for June 18-19, 2016--HPDA will co-sponsor with Rocky Mt. High.

Carolyn has been in touch with Lynn Andrews for a possible late August/early September seminar and Mary Owens is scheduled for October in Colorado Springs.

A short discussion was held regarding having another seminar with Chris Thornton to demo new products; the attending members were all in agreement.

**Newsletter:** Ruth Rodriguez would like input by October 25th.

**Hospitality:** Julia Duggan requested a new coffee pot; the old one, which doesn't work will be taken back to Costco for a replacement.

**Old Business:** A slate of officers is still needed. After a short discussion, Carolyn Culwell made a motion to extend to three years Janet's term of 1st VP; Melinda Barnes seconded. The slate of officers to be voted upon in November are:

President: Bev Martinez

1st VP: Janet Gropp

2nd VP: Beth Newton

Treasurer: Beth Newton

Secretary: Cec Rae

Newsletter: Chris Hoynes

Hospitality: Julia Duggan

Janet has gotten the measurements needed for a refrigerator and microwave for the Security Department at the Admin Bldg. where our meetings are held and has given them to Bev. Melinda may have a lead on a microwave.

**New Business:** Janet would like all teachers in the Chapter to bring a sample of what they would like to teach to the January meeting; the members in attendance would then vote on what they would like for projects in 2016.

Janet will make up tickets to be sold for Jamie Mills-Price' pieces. The tickets will be for sale in November and December and the drawing will be held at the January meeting; the winner must be present to get the piece.

**Announcements:** Kate mentioned that the Bead Bazaar would be held April 29-30 and we are once again welcome to set up a table with Chapter brochures and sample pieces.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:09am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cec Rae  
Secretary

### **Remaining Meetings:**

November 14 - Shrinky-dink project



Ladies,

Attached is a picture of the November project being taught by Kate Dowd on November 14, 2015. The project piece will be \$5.00, and you may probably be able to do more than one as she will have other earrings to choose from for \$5.00 if you choose to do more as time allows. The class cost will be \$10.00. This is a very simple project. She will bring her file of shrink plastic patterns, and pencils, shrink plastic, rhinestones, earring wires, glue, tools, heat gun. If anyone else can bring pencils, heat gun, that would be great! Class is at 10:00 am. You will need to let Janet Gropp know if you plan to be there so that enough project pieces are prepared. Kate asks that you bring small sharp scissors.

Thank you,  
Ruth

December 12 - Holiday party at Cec Rae's home with information to follow

The recipe that follows is the bread Julia Duggan brought to our last mystery day!

## **Dilly Casserole Bread**

### **Ingredients**

2 to 2 2/3 cups Pillsbury BEST® All Purpose Flour  
2 tablespoons sugar  
2 to 3 teaspoons instant minced onion  
2 teaspoons dill seed  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1 pkg. active dry yeast  
1/4 cup water  
1 tablespoon margarine or butter  
1 cup small curd creamed cottage cheese  
1 egg  
2 teaspoons margarine or butter, melted  
1/4 teaspoon coarse salt, if desired

### **Directions**

1. 1 In large bowl, combine 1 cup flour, sugar, onion, dill seed, 1 teaspoon salt, baking soda and yeast; mix well.
2. 2 In small saucepan, heat water, 1 tablespoon margarine and cottage cheese until very warm (120 to 130°F.). Add warm liquid and egg to flour mixture; blend at low speed until moistened. Beat 3 minutes at medium speed.
3. 3 By hand, stir in remaining 1 to 1 2/3 cups flour to form a stiff batter. Cover loosely with greased plastic wrap and cloth towel. Let rise in warm place (80 to 85°F.) until light and doubled in size, 45 to 60 minutes.
4. 4 Generously grease 1 1/2 or 2-quart casserole. Stir down batter to remove all air bubbles. Turn into greased casserole. Cover; let rise in warm place until light and doubled in size, 30 to 45 minutes.
5. 5 Heat oven to 350°F. Uncover dough. Bake 30 to 40 minutes or until loaf is deep golden brown and sounds hollow when lightly tapped. If necessary, cover with foil to prevent overbrowning. Remove from casserole; place on wire rack. Brush loaf with melted margarine; sprinkle with coarse salt. Cool 15 minutes. Serve warm or cool.

### **November Birthdays**

\*No member's with November Birthday's

## **Announcements:**

November 7, 2015 Pikes Peak Chapter has their Bazaar at 9:00 am, in the Cafeteria at  
Pine Creek High School  
10750 Thunder Mountain Ave  
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Carolyn said Old Ranch Road and Powers

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