



Newsletter Brief  
**High Plains Decorative Artists**  
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### **Note from Wendy 2019 HPDA President**

Dear Members,

“Creativity is intelligence having fun.” (Albert Einstein)

Thank you, Catherine Roche, for a FUN and CREATIVE class! I love that Catherine always teaches a new technique to our Chapter! I also love that she is so organized with all the supplies in a big baggie and her easy to follow step-by-step instructions. She walks around the room frequently to “check in” on how we are doing. It is so obvious that she is a retired school teacher. :) Everyone went home with a beautiful, unique egg!

In March we are switching it up a bit! We are going to paint backpacks for Foster Children. Some of the backpacks will go to Wichita, SDP Convention in May and some will be distributed locally. Paint, identi-pens and backpacks will be provided. Please bring your regular painting supplies including a chalk pencil. The Board is going to provide a yummy lunch! Please join us for a day of fun, hangin’ with your painting buddies and creating some beautiful backpacks for deserving children!

Our chapter is so lucky to have Sandy McTier coming in April! This is a great opportunity to learn from an internationally known teacher. She is the Convention Artist for SDP in Wichita this year. I have taken three classes from her and I can tell you that she is a fantastic, fun, and generous teacher! We have a few spaces left both days.

In closing, I want to challenge each of you to go out of your comfort zone and say “YES” to trying something new! Not just a new art technique (although that’s good too!), maybe a new recipe, a new way to exercise, a new place, or explore a different area of the city. Life is always changing.....go with it, embrace it!

Wendy

## Programs – Ruth Rodriguez

The program for the March 9, 2019 meeting will be painted backpacks for foster children. This is an SDP program much like the memory boxes. Members are asked to paint them and then they will be distributed locally and nationally to children in need. This is our philanthropic project for 2019 and this enables us to use the school as our meeting place and not be charged as we are helping the community, so we need all our members to help participate and get the 24 backpacks we have, painted so they can be distributed. There will be a few samples but feel free to bring your ideas and paint one. The Chapter is providing the backpack, the paint, and pizza for lunch, so how can you resist that and a fun time with painting friends. We will also provide bottled water and iced tea, some fresh veggies or a salad and a homemade dessert. **Please let Ruth or Janet know you will be attending so we know how much pizza we will need.** Hope to see you there!!!

Ruth



## Seminars – Carolyn Culwell

We are pleased to announce you have selected “Summer Blooms” (blue hydrangeas) as one of the two projects we will be painting with Sandy McTier on April 13 & 14, 2019. Our second project will be using the “DecoArt Stylin Paint” on your choice of leather, pleather, or fabric. Sandy will be bringing stamps, stencils and a booklet of ideas to paint on a purse, shoes, or boots. She will help each of the students create a unique piece of art on the surface of her choice. The fee will be \$50/day.

If you wish to take ONE DAY ONLY, you need not find someone to take the second day. So....if you just want to take the Summer Blooms acrylic canvas you will need to send us your check for \$50 and you are in. Of course, this means if you wish to create a unique design on purses, boots, shoes or wallets, just let us know and send your check for \$50. Please be certain to tell us which program you want to take if you are signing up for just one day. As a reminder, Saturday we will be painting the Summer Blooms and Sunday we will paint on our purses, boots, etc. See the project photos here...

<https://highplainsdecorativeartists.com/seminars.html>

Registration is now open to all three of our local chapters. You may contact Janet Gropp at [tjgropp3071@msn.com](mailto:tjgropp3071@msn.com) or Carolyn Culwell, [cvculwell@bresnan.net](mailto:cvculwell@bresnan.net).

Your checks should be payable to HPDA and mailed to HPDA, c/o 10078 S. Clyde Circle, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

Carolyn

## Programs & Seminars 2019

**Future Programs – All on second Saturday of the month and beginning at 10 am unless noted with \* (*Seminars listed in bold italics*)**

### 2019

March 9 <sup>th</sup> -	Painting Backpacks - Ruth Rodriguez
<b><i>April 13 – 14</i></b>	<b><i>Sandy McTier Seminar*</i></b>
May	No Meeting (SDP National Conference)
June	Bike – Janet Gropp
July	Annual Picnic at Julia Duggan's
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Canvas and Cocktails fundraiser
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Flying Santa – June Rutherford
September	Sculpting with Quickwood – Janet Gropp
October	No Meeting
November	Santa on a Sea Shell – Wendy Goldberg

### Sunshine – Beth Newton

No news from Sunshine.



### March Birthdays

*Paula Leopold  
Susie Lindquist*



### Membership – Linda Beaty

*Do you need the password for the Members Only section of the HPDA site? Please contact anyone on the board. We do not put it in the newsletter since it is posted on the web.*

### Ways and Means

We will continue with the \$5 ticket door prizes. There will be two at each meeting. Carolyn and Ruth will bring door prizes for March; Cec and June in April; and Kim in June Also, we will be having a fund-raiser at Canvas and Cocktails on August 6th. More info coming soon.

### Community Outreach

For 2019 on March 9<sup>th</sup> our chapter will be painting backpacks for school children in need. This is the only Community Outreach project we will do for 2019.

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New Officers for 2019 - Janet Gropp, Treasurer; Cec Rae, Secretary; Ruth Rodriguez, First Vice President and Wendy Goldberg, President.