

Wildflowers of Texoma Decorative Artists
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November Newsletter

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President report

Rain, Rain go away and come back again someday. I do believe this is the wettest October. Instead of cars we will need boats. My pond in my side yard is running over, but I bet the catfish are loving all of the water. Last year, they had about a foot of water, is all, but most of the fish made it, I don't know how, but they did.

October is National painting month; I hope that you are painting. Its also breast cancer awareness month, please do you monthly self-exams and do your yearly mammograms. The life you save could be your own.

Thank you, Patsy for teaching lettering; it was a great class and something I really need to work on.

I am disappointed that we started out with a possible 3 seminars for next year, and now we have maybe two, if Sharon gets into the country, if not then we will have only one. I really hate that we are canceling Sandy, but that is what the club voted, so oh well. I am looking forward to having Ginger, as I have never taken any of her classes. I have tried many times to do a rose, so maybe one day it will get thru this thick head of mind and I will be able to paint one. I don't do flowers! I don't see the veining, but I am willing to try to learn. Please, Please, Please, if you want someone to come next year, please get with Nancy G or Doris Berry, who has been nominated for Seminar Chairperson. We will be voting on new officers during our meeting on the 10th.

Cloris, I went by the library and you did a great job on the window, it looks super. Everyone should stop by.

I am so excited to have our raffle project completed. A big THANK YOU goes to the ladies that put in all the man-hours to get it done. Now go out and SELL, SELL. Remember, money raised is money we can use in the future.

The world lost a great artist this month and a very good friend. Jeanette, LaDeen and I are still in shock with the passing of Ann Paulson. Those who did not know her, or saw her work really missed out. There will never be another Ann.

We all met Ann at the Ceramic Art Center. Jeanette and I knew each other from TI, and Jeanette introduced me to Ceramics. We met LaDeen there, and many more friends. We spent a lot of Thursday nights and Saturdays in the classroom, solving the world problems, painting, watching Survivor and just enjoying being with friends. We laugh, cried, and saw each other thru, births; sickness, divorces, and death of love ones. We never thought that we would lose anyone in our group so soon, but we did.

Ann was one of a kind, a certified Deco Art and Duncan Artist and could paint on any type of surface and all kinds of mediums.

Jeanette and I would show Ann our pieces that we painted at our seminars and/or paint ins, and she would tell us what we needed to do to enhance our piece. She just had an eye of art that very few people has, it just came natural for her. She was working on painting a fireplace screen at the time of her death; I think that she only like one more panel to go.

She always encouraged me; I remember, one time I was painting a goose to go inside my fireplace and she was giving me some suggestions, and she said, "why don't you paint a mountain landscape". What, me. Well, she ended up free handing it for me so that I could paint it, and it turned out great. She taught us all how paint to do eyes, not just human eyes but animal eyes as well. They were all on a plate that was kept in the classroom. She took no pity, just handed us the plate for quick reference, always saying that we could do the eyes. Wonder what happen to it.... Wish we had it over at Jeanette's! She was always looking thru magazines getting pictures of animals, landscapes anything that caught her eyes, so that she could go paint it on some surface. I bet she has totes of nothing but cutouts, things that she was going to do, someday....

After the ceramic center closed, everyone meets over at Jeanette's on Thursdays. I go when I manage to get a day off. We go to lunch, hang out and sometimes we even get around to painting. I am so glad that I saw her one week before she passed, I will always remember. Now, I am about to cry, so I am finishing up this newsletter. Ann, watch over us "mudhens".

Keep practicing your painting skills. Practice makes perfect or almost perfect.

Rita

Snowman Tree Ornament For Nov paint –in

Palette: Base Coat: Golden Straw

Spice Frown, County Red, Pumpkin, Burnt Umber, Black, White, Dark Plum, Hauser Med Green, Lt. Hauser, Any Red or Greens can be used. This is just a fun piece so use any other colors you choose. I will have the surface at the meeting or you may provide your own surface if you choose. I used a wooden tag 2 inches wide and 4 inches long.

Cloris Martin 903-893-5468

WILDFLOWERS OF TEXOMA DECORATIVE ARTISTS

October 13, 2009 - Business meeting at 6:30 pm at Central Christian Church.

The meeting was called to order by President Rita Williams.

SEMINARS

Membership voted to have a 2-day seminar instead of a 3-day seminar with Ginger Edwards. The dates will be Friday and Saturday, March 19 & 20, 2010. We also voted on the projects we would like to paint. The two receiving the most votes were the Door Crown and the One-day Rose workshop.

We had previously discussed asking Sandy Aubuchon to teach at a seminar in 2010. We voted to not ask Sandy Aubuchon at this time to teach a seminar in September 2010 since we need to try to reschedule Sharon McNamara-Black during 2010.

Bette Thompson made a motion that we ask Sharon McNamara-Black if she is available in September of 2010. Patsy Deal 2nd the motion.

Bette Thompson mentioned the windows at Curves in Whitewright that was decorated by CATS (Creative Artists of Texas) club for Decorative Month in October.

Cloris Martin mentioned that since the window at the Sherman library was not reserved last year, we had to use a smaller display case to display our items for Decorative Painting month this year. Cloris went ahead and reserved the big window at the library for October of 2010. The window is available in December if we want to use it for a Christmas display this year. Cloris asked that we bring our painted items to our November meeting for display in the window in December.

Our raffle item this year is a hand painted tree skirt. The theme of the tree skirt is the Nutcrackers. It is complete and was on display tonight for membership to see. Tickets for us to sell will be available at our next meeting in November.

Sandy Merriman has graciously offered her party barn for our Christmas party again this year. Sandy and her daughter have offered to cater the party as in years past. There was some discussion as to whether we should each bring a covered dish or accept the offer from Sandy to cater the party. Patsy Deal made a motion to accept Sandy's offer to cater the party. Renee Wade 2nd the motion. Motion passed

Rita passed around the pin that Wildflowers received from SDP. It is in the shape of a crown and we received it because we gave money to National for the Jewel program.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Keeling, Secretary

2010 Wildflowers of Texoma Membership Application

Check One: New Member _____ Renewal _____

Your Birthday (Mo/Day) _____ / _____

Name _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____ City _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Work Phone (_____)

Cell Phone (_____) _____ (Cell phone listed in directory?
Yes ___ No ___)

Email Address: _____

SDP MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _____ (Please attach a photo copy of your
2010 SDP Membership card or allow Membership Chair to see you card.)

2010 DUES ARE \$15.00

Make check payable to: *Wildflowers of Texoma* and bring to meeting or mail to Nancy Nass
926 Tate Cr
Sherman TX 75090-
3461

***** FOR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE USE *****

Paid _____ SDP card shown _____ Picture taken for
directory _____
Date Date

Both SDP and chapter dues are due by year end. Our chapter membership form is attached to this newsletter. Please print it and submit with your dues. I also need either a copy of your 2010 SDP card or to see your card - no exceptions this year, please. If you don't have your SDP card yet, you may go ahead and pay dues and then just copy your card when you get it or bring it to a meeting. Thanks - Nancy

Treasurer Report

Beginning Balance 5318.47

Income	Oct	YTD
Christmas party		0.00
General Fund		10.00
Hospitality		0.00
Learn to Paint		0.00
Membership		112.50
Rent		0.00
Seminar		2656.00
Ways and Means		1710.24
Total Income	0.00	4488.74

Expenses	Oct	YTD
Christmas party		0.00
Community Service		100.00
Convention (Nat'l)		400.00
SDP Permanent Collection		0.00
General Fund		168.50
Historian		0.00
Hospitality		0.00
Internet		116.55
Learn to Paint		0.00
Membership		106.85
Newsletter		0.00
Publicity		14.89
Rent		550.00
Seminars		1800.93
SDP Insurance		0.00
SDP Service Fee		0.00
Sunshine		0.00
Ways & Means	1256.00	2111.32
Total Expenses	1256.00	5369.04

Ending Balance 4062.47