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## President's Corner Renee Burton



I hope you enjoyed your watercolor class at the June meeting. Sorry we ran out of time and some of you did not get a chance to finish. If you bring in your paintings and watercolor paint early between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. to the July meeting, I will answer any questions you have about your painting and help you finish them in the time allotted.

My demo painting oils on watercolor paper was supposed to take place at a meeting later in the year but I wrote it down in my appointment book for June's meeting and unintentionally usurped Gini Conn's demo. Sorry Gini!!

Whenever any of you send me an email and you do not want me to share the info, please be so

kind as to let me know. I don't want to hurt anyone's feelings by sharing info you meant only for these tired old eyes. After all, folks, I'm not a mind reader!

I was going to donate the apron I painted at a recent FSDA chapter meeting to our Tables and Treasures program, but was advised by one of our members that there would be other NCDA members donating their aprons.

The New York SDP chapter that I still belong to had their yearly fund-raiser in June and I donated it to them. I'd like to share the response from their chairperson.

"Dear Renee, Thank you so much for your beautiful donation to DALI. It was a big hit and helped raise a lot of money at our dinner."

Needless to say I was quite pleased with their response.

When I emailed them and sent a picture of it before actually sending it, they told me they couldn't wait to see it and their response was quite gratifying.

If you want to join us for the July 16 Board meeting at the Library on Spring Hill Drive let me know and show up at 10am. Please email or call me to say that you plan on attending. In the event I have to cancel the meeting for some reason, and I don't know that you planned to attend, I cannot call you and you will be making a trip unnecessarily.

See you at the July 5, 2008 meeting!



*Renee*

## Board Meetings

**Next meeting: July 16, 10 - noon**

Any chapter member is welcome to attend; please notify Renee so she can prepare.

NCDA Board Meetings at Hernando County Library, 9220 Spring Hill Drive



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# Secretary's Report

NCDA CHAPTER MEETING  
June 7, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 9:14 by President Renee Burton.

## WELCOME

Renee addressed the Chapter concerning some general information as follows:

At the DAC booth at the Tampa SDP Convention she received for our video library a CD that contains a tour of the Decorative Artists Collection Museum.

The 23rd Annual DA will be held in Charleston on 5/24- 5/26, 2009.

The Florida State Retreat will be held on March 19-22, 2009.

Spring Hill Arts League will have their show in November.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FIRST VP-PROGRAM

Karen Reinke reported 20 people signed up for today's program.

Next month (July) Sandy Neuling will have a class involving frosted glass candle holder and plate painted with a lace pattern. In August Ev Dye will instruct a vegetable project. On the 5th Saturday of August, Pam Thomas will teach a canvas mixed media project.

### SECOND VP- MEMBERSHIP

Pat Otto reported that there were 31 members attending today, and one new member, Darlene Derr. She also said she

was sad to report the passing of member Jean Gjesdal. It was moved by Ev Dye that NCDA will send a \$25 donation to SDP in her name. The motion passed. (Secretary's note: The check has been sent to SDP on June 9, 2008).

## NEWSLETTER

Pat Otto announced that Joanne Crowley has donated a copy machine for printing out the Newsletter to those members who still want a hard copy.

## SECRETARY

Secretary Jeanette Seese's minutes were published in the Newsletter. There were no additions or corrections. Ev Dye moved to accept the minutes. Andi Dignard seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

## TREASURER

Ev Dye reported a balance of \$8301.07 as of June 1, 2008. Carol Graves moved to accept the report. The motion carried, and the report approved.

## HOSPITALITY

Pat Estes thanked everyone who brought in food. She will not be here next month and asked for two volunteers to substitute for her and Ruth Orwig. Andi Dignard and Sandy Mihalus volunteered.

## WAYS AND MEANS

Ev Dye asked for two more hosts

for the Tables and Treasures in October.

She also asked members to please paint items she has brought in which are on the table.



## LIBRARY

Charlene Siemes substituted for Virginia Hughes. Charlene announced that there are new painting packets to be signed out and there are several booklets from the Convention, which can be taken for free.

## HISTORIAN

Carole Graves had nothing new to report.

## PUBLICITY

Ellen Annibali announced that all publicity went out.

## SUNSHINE

Andi Dignard reported that two sympathy cards were sent: one to Jean Gjesdal's family, and one to Barbara Pickell.

## PHILANTHROPIC

Treasure Boxes--Gini Conn reported that there were 6 volunteers at the Treasure Box booth at the SDP Convention. Ladybug, the SDP coordinator, wrote a thank you note in which she thanked the 159 people who painted, and especially singled out four chapters, one of which was NCDA, for their support and participation. Ladybug has also

patterns to those chapters painting treasure boxes. There were some left-over boxes and bags of paint for anyone who wants to paint a box. It was also proposed by Jeanette Seese to have a Paint-a-thon on November 29 at WWSC to paint boxes. The proposal passed, and Gini will coordinate the details.

Troops Caroline Hadler has located another soldier for the troop project. In response to a suggestion made concerning the local funeral homes' contributing to defray the cost of mailing packages, Caroline said she would check it out. She also added that another item to be sent to the troops is Bounce, as it helps to repel sand fleas. Carol Kuszik brought the jug for monetary contributions from the chapter members, and has made red, white and blue ribbons to give out to those who've donated money.

#### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Jeanette Seese reported that the first meeting of the Christmas Party Committee was held after the board meeting on May 21, 2008. It was decided that the party will be held at the WWSC on Saturday, December 6, 2008 primarily for members. Sub-committees were formed and ideas were discussed. The next meeting will be held after the board meeting on June 18, 2008.

#### BEGINNING TECHNIQUES

Today's demonstration will be provided by Renee Burton.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Trish Owens expressed an idea for promoting painting and membership. It's called a "Boot Camp for Painters." It consists of several stations of instruction, like floating, dry brushing, and other techniques. It could also be held in conjunction with Gini's Paint-a-Thon.

#### SHOW AND TELL

Eleven members displayed their diverse media and spoke about their items, some of which were projects from the Sherry Nelson Seminar and the SDP Tampa Convention.

#### BIRTHDAY RAFFLE

The following were the recipients and the donors for the Birthday Raffle:

Charlene Siemes from Joan Sferratore  
Joanne Crowley from Pat Otto  
Ellen Annibali from Doris Trudeau  
Georgia Mazanet from Andi Dignard  
Caroline Hadler from Mary Krapf  
Lois Owens from Judy Newton  
Carol Kuszik from Andie Harris

Ev Dye reported an income of \$139 from the raffle.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Charlene Siemes moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanette Seese,  
Secretary

## Recipe

### The Ultimate Nacho Dip\*

1 16 oz cream cheese  
1 large jar salsa (Old El Paso Thick & Chunky)  
Shredded Cheddar (Sargento-Nacho & Taco Flavor)  
1 cup black olives (optional)

Let cheese stand until room temp. Spread into pie plate. Drain Salsa if needed, and pour over cream cheese. Distribute drained olives over salsa. Sprinkle shredded cheddar over salsa to cover completely.

Bake at 350 for 15 to 20 min or until cheese is melted. Serve with nacho chips.

*\*The person who brought this delicious dip to the last meeting did not come forth with the recipe. I substituted a recipe of Joanne Crowley's that I thought was the same.  
Editor*

## Hospitality

Pat Estes  
and  
Ruth  
Orwig

July  
Goodies  
brought to  
you by:

Bread/  
coffeecake.....Pat Otto  
Finger Food/  
Sand....Sandy Mihalus  
Salad...Mayumi Cook  
Other...Joy O'Brien  
Chris Soyk



# Programs

Karen Reinke

## July: Sandy Neuling, TDA Project: Painting Lace on Glass Medium : Acrylic

Sandy Neuling, TDA recently received her teacher's certificate through the SDP. There is a course that they offer which includes study, lesson planning and a video of a class which is critiqued. Three ladies passed this year. We are proud of Sandy, a member of the Heart of Pinellas Chapter, and FSDA Tampa Chapter here in Florida.



Sandy is supplying the paint, but students will bring their glass objects to paint on. Glass can be colored or frosted. Saucer and candle cup were shown at the June meeting. Sandy will bring some similar pieces to the meeting for those who want to buy them. Be sure to bring some good liner brushes, a tape measure and pencil or chalk. Be sure to wash your item with alcohol or vinegar to remove grease or fingerprints and do not handle the area to be painted. Manufacturer's recommend that you allow an inch between any area that may come into contact with food or your mouth and the design. In other words do not expect to paint the lip of a cup or glass that is used for drinking. Candle sconces, vases, cracker trays and pot pourri bowls are suggested.

**There is no pattern given ahead for this month's class. The pattern at the end of the newsletter is just a free pattern.**

## Upcoming Programs

**August: Eve Dye**

**September: Gini Conn**

**October: Carole Graves**

**November: Ruth Orwig**

**Dec: Christmas Party**

## Christmas Party

Jeannette Seese and Carole Graves

**Date: December 6th.**

**Place: Weeki Wachee Senior Club**

**Dress: Dressy Casual**

**Cost: Members free**

**Food: Brunch items**

**Theme: Stars**

There will be more information at the meeting about members bringing food, activities, raffle, etc.

It is going to be a break from our traditional party ~ but loads of fun. Set aside the date on your calendar and plan to join the festivities.



**August:**

**5th Saturday**

**AUGUST 30th**

Pam Thomas : Altered Art Abstract

Mixed Media

We are fortunate to have Tampa artist and teacher Pam Thomas teaching the latest in home decor.

Join us for this fun and educational project!



# Philanthropic Gini Conn

These are the labels for the Treasure Boxes. You can print them off our website. Look on the Home page down by the photos of the Shriners. The program opens in Microsoft Works. If you can't open them we will have some available at the meetings. Keep painting these boxes as they are really appreciated.

**Treasure Boxes for Kids**  
Sponsored by the Society of Decorative Painters



This box was donated by the SDP Chapter:

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Hand-painted by:

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www.decorativepainters.org



## Beginner Techniques

Mayumi Cook

July - Gini Conn will demo stamping and paint techniques.

Aug - Pat Otto will demo faux backgrounds

## Membership Pat Otto

NEW MEMBER:

Darlene Derr  
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birthday: 9-4

Add to your list!



Left: New Member Darlene Derr  
Right: Mary Krapft who was mis-identified in the directory you received in your packet. Sorry Mary!

The Pictorial Directory is available to print from our online site. Go to [www.ncda-artists.com](http://www.ncda-artists.com) then click on the button "about us" the link is "NCDA 2008" on the right of the page, halfway down. It is updated monthly. It will seem out of order because the names are alphabetical by first name and it is in book form. When you print it and place the pages back to back, it will be correct. It is in color and the photos are clearer than the photocopied one in your member packet.

## Treasurer's Report E v Dye



NCDA JUNE 2008

Beginning Balance	8301.07
Income Class fees	0092.00
Raffle	0139.00
Cookbook sales	0114.00
Seminar income {Nelson}	0564.00
<b>Total income</b>	<b>909.00</b>
Expenses SDP (remembrance)	0025.00
Teacher Fee (donated to troops)	0050.00
Postage for troops	0016.17
Seminar expenses	2409.85
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>2501.02</b>
<b>Ending balance</b>	<b>6709.05</b>

Our Website:

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Hazel Dickson, owner, teacher



Hazel is a snowbird  
 and has flown north  
 for a few months.  
 She will return in  
 Sept full of new  
 ideas and projects.



## Birthday Raffle July:



Wilma Cummings	4
Chris Soyk	6
Mayumi Cook	22
Joanne Lillpopp	26
Lois Owens	29

### Birthday Raffle - How it Works--:

On your birthday month it is your responsibility to bring in a nicely painted gift, a gift certificate, or painting items, (valued at \$20) wrapped beautifully to entice the sale of raffle tickets. It is a once-a-year donation so it is nice to make it a special treat that the recipient will treasure. Everyone looks forward to seeing the gifts, so leave them displayed until people have had a chance to admire them. Ev Dye has a "shopping service" and will pick out items for you if you don't have time. If you are going to be absent on your birthday month make arrangements ahead of time with Ev Dye to bring the gift another month. Evelyn Dye: 352-592-3266 or email Ev at [evdye@earthlink.net](mailto:evdye@earthlink.net)

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# Ways & Means Tables and Treasures

Ev Dye

Table Hostesses so far are:

Ev Dye

Pat Otto

Carol Kuszik

Gini Conn

Carol Hechler

Karen Reinke

Jeanette Seese

Rosalie Hoying

Doris Trudeau

Chris Soyk

Joy OBrien

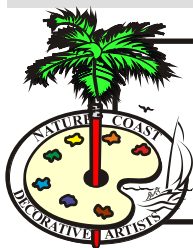
Lois Owens

Joanne Crowley

Tables and Treasures will be at Pristine Place (off Spring Hill Drive). Tickets are required to attend. You are encouraged to invite non-members who love to purchase painted objects d'art. There is a lunch, silent auction, table viewing and Art Boutique. Tables are decorated in themes featuring hand painted items. It is Great Fun!

DON'T WAIT TO THE LAST MINUTE TO START PAINTING! We need lots of stuff, large and small. Please try to paint several items!

Several of the hostesses have started painting their themes. I can't tell, it's a surprise - but I am excited!!



## NATURE COAST DECORATIVE ARTISTS

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JULY 2008

Pat Otto - Editor  
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www.ncda-artists.com



## Tips and Tricks Pat Otto

**Q: What is the difference between a 2B and a 2H graphite pencil?**

**A:** The number and letter combination on most artists' graphite pencils indicates the hardness of the lead and the darkness of its mark. The combination corresponds to points on the standard gradation scale, which move in progressive degree from the softest and darkest pencil to the

hardest and lightest. Higher numbers indicate the extremities of this scale, with 8B being the softest and darkest and 10H being the hardest and lightest.

**Q: How can I use watercolor pencils?**

**A:** One use is to custom-blend colors and make a homemade watercolor pencil palette. Using scrap material, densely scribble the dry colors onto the surface. (Textured surfaces that grab the

pigment work very well for this purpose: Ampersand Aquabond, Art Spectrum Colourfix Paper, or Wallis Sanded Pastel Paper.) Add a few drops of water from a brush and wet and swirl the colors until dissolved and blended. Simply paint small areas (such as petals and leaves) right from this homemade palette. This wash can be diluted, too, for a lighter, more subtle wash, such as for shadows.

Raggedy Annie and Her Bike  
copyright by Cindy Trombley 2007

Paint Palette: Deco Art Americana  
Light Parchment, Burnt Umber, Black, Antique White  
Gooseberry Pink, Rookwood Red, Light Buttermilk, Navy  
Slate Grey, Georgia Clay, Blue Chiffon, Uniform Blue  
Winter Blue, Black Plum, Soft Black

If you are painting this design on a jar, here is what you need to get your jar ready to paint. Spray Paint Grey Primer- any brand will do, the cheap ones work well!  
Make sure the jar is clean on the inside and outside.  
To remove any labels soak the jar in hot soapy dish water for at least 20 min. If you have trouble getting the labels off, put some Goo gone on the label, wait 10 minutes and then remove.

To prep for painting: in a well ventilated area, spray paint the outside of the jar, including the top rim.  
Give the jar at least 3 coats of paint. Let the paint dry in-between each coat. When the jar is completely dry,  
Basecoat the jar with Light Parchment or the color of your choice.  
After it's completely basecoated and dry you can transfer your pattern onto it.

Step by step painting instructions:  
Face, hands and legs: base coat with Antique White.  
Shade around her head and next to her wrist with Burnt Umber.  
Dry brush the center of her face and tip of hand with Light Buttermilk.  
Add hair with a liner brush and Rookwood Red.  
Dot eyes on with Black.  
Dry brush her cheeks on with Gooseberry Pink. Dot the top center of each cheek with Light Buttermilk.

Legs: Paint stripes on with Rookwood Red. Shade on each side of the red stripes with Black Plum.  
Shade the Antique White stripes on each side with Burnt Umber.  
Shoes: basecoat with Black. Add the "S" line on the side with Slate Grey. Dot two buttons on with Light Buttermilk.

Dress: basecoat with Light Buttermilk. Shade with Slate Grey.  
Apron: basecoat with Rookwood Red first. Now go over the Rookwood Red with Navy.  
Shade around the apron with Soft Black.  
Dry brush highlight the apron with Blue Chiffon.  
Heart on her apron: basecoat with Light Buttermilk, Shade one side with Rookwood Red. It will look pink and not red.  
Paint the apron strings on with Navy.

Bike: all parts except the outline of the wheels, basecoat with soft Black.  
Add narrow highlight lines of Light Buttermilk to all parts.  
For the wheels, outline them and the spokes with Slate Grey.  
Now float Slate Grey around the inside of each wheel.

Balloons:  
Light Blue balloon: basecoat with Winter Blue. Shade one side of the balloon with Uniform Blue.  
Star: basecoat with Light Buttermilk. Outline star with lightly with Uniform Blue.  
Add a soft float of Light Buttermilk to one side fo the balloon.



***This pattern is printed for your painting pleasure, It is not the project we are teaching this month.***

This pattern is a free download from Artisans Gift Village  
<http://www.paintingonjars.com>

Dark Blue balloon: basecoat with Navy. Shade one side with Soft Black.  
Dot the balloon with Light Buttermilk. Float one side of the balloon with Blue Chiffon.

Red balloon: basecoat with Rookwood Red. Shade one side with Black Plum. Add USA with Light Buttermilk. Paint a narrow highlight line on the top of the balloon with Light Buttermilk.  
Balloon strings are painted on with Black.

To finish: shade around complete design with Burnt Umber.  
Basecoat the rim of the jar with Navy.  
Glue fabric strip of your choice around the rim.  
Seal with Delta Ceram Coat Clear Gloss Glaze