



FWDP Newsletter

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From Your 2011 President -- *Carolyn Martchenke*

Welcome to the Fall!!! Finally!!!

Get well soon to Armida for breaking her ankle by slipping on her kitchen floor. What a “bummer”!!!

Thanks again to Cindi Creswell for our “Summer Paint-In” it was so much fun learning to paint on feathers.

Thanks to Donna Armstrong for teaching us how to paint on little spoons and forks last month. Her bears are adorable!



Again this month we will have a “Wood ‘n Book” sale to benefit the Chapter. I have several boxes of wood from Pat Waymon’s sale last year.

“Tacky Wood” exchange will be in November, so you still have time to paint your wood.

Our Nominating Committee for 2012 Officers consists of Yvonne Lowrie, Dusty Dancer and Sharlene King. They will present a Slate of Officers in October and we will vote in November. If you would like to be an Officer, just contact one of these ladies.

Reminder: Our Chapter Dues are payable by December 1st. So plan on bringing your \$20 local dues in Oct. or Nov. Our national dues to SDP are also due by Dec. 1st. If you wait and pay after that date, a \$5 late fee is added. The SDP dues are now \$50 which is only \$4.16 per month..... What a bargain for the privilege of belonging to an “International” society of decorative painters. We need to support our own professional peer group. If we don’t, it will disappear right before our eyes. And then, we will need to find our own Chapter’s liability insurance. It is so much more economical to have insurance for a national group than just one Chapter.

Here’s hoping to see ya’ll on October 17th . Happy Painting!!!

Carolyn

FWDP supports and encourages our members to join the Society of Decorative Painters. Dues are \$50/year. Visit the website at: www.decorativepainters.org

Happy Birthday!!!

October

5 – Kitty Bookout
5 – Linda Chapman
16 – Linda McDonald
24 – Janet Hughes
31 – Jan McCleery

November

6 – Linda Shawhan
12 – Nancy Genetti
27 – Donna Armstrong



Library – Cindi Creswell

Well, I brought some new books for the library, but no lookers or takers. If you need an idea and your home library just can't fill that request check us out to see some old and new. Let me know if you have a special occasion or problem and we'll tackle it. If you have a book or CD request let me know the Saturday before the meeting so I can locate the material.

Door Prizes – Mary Helen Horne

Thank you to Debra Reed, Jan Handley, Vera & Mary Helen for the door prizes. If you won a door prize, please bring one to the next meeting. The more prizes the more fun!!

Monthly Raffle – Vera Hudnall

Thank you so much to Jan Handley, LaRue Hughes, Terry Becker and Cindi Creswell for the great raffle pieces. Jan Handley donated two!! What a neat gal!!! Signed up for the October raffle are:

Dusti Dancer
Bettejoe Kenaston
Janet Hughes
Shirley Wiesman

Thanks again!



Memory Boxes – Cindi Creswell

As always we need more boxes. We have base coated boxes to cut down on the prep time and all they need is a simple design. Take a box, just bring it back! Maybe you forgot or haven't finished. We'll it will get done if you BRING IT BACK. I extend a **THANK YOU** to all that have supported this project for so long. It needs to continue because it impacts so many with such a small gift of hope.

PINS PINS PINS PINS

I realize this is our last pin exchange of the year come November and I had hoped for more participation. So you'll need to decide if it's something to carry through next year. This was an idea that had been requested by some members. I feel it was a success since people DID participate. Only a few, but that keeps the ball rolling. Bring your last pin of the year to the **NOVEMBER MEETING** to dazzle the group. Be creative! **ANYTHING** that is your passion and make a pin to express your creativity.

THOUGHT WE FORGOT, BUT NO!
 Remember that piece of wood we grabbed at the January meeting? We'll exchange at the **NOVEMBER** meeting. This gives you time to paint your first one or to paint another one since you liked the first one and can't bare to let it go. **GOT IT!** Have a piece of wood, glass or tin that needs to be turned into a swan? Come on Ladies....we have plenty of them! You have time to whip a piece out, review some of our past program projects for ideas and recycle!!!! **REMEMBER TO BRING TO THE NOVEMBER MEETING**

Tole Painting Month – Cindi Creswell

Due to October being taken by another group at the Library, we'll simply move to **November**. Halloween is PAST, so FALL is in the air. Here is a grand opportunity to show off your talent and give the eyeing public a chance to see you shine. Fall items will be displayed at the Fort Worth Regional Library on Hulen in **NOVEMBER!** This will give you some time to get your painted pieces together and **BRING THEM to the OCTOBER meeting** so I can delivery them on time. What you say? Items with leaves, florals, Thanksgiving theme but I would steer away from religious subject matters. Yes, you'll get them back, just a chance to let other people see how talented we really are! Thank you!



Christmas Party Update – Cindi Creswell

Ladies **ONLY** or **BARELY 3** months before our **Mardi Gras Christmas party**. **ARE YOU READY!** Have you started your gifts of 5? **Your ornament? Times a fleeting GIRLFRIENDS, Paint like you mean it!!!!** Just a quick reminder. The party is to celebrate the end of the year for our members in good standing. I know some of you have asked if 'friends' can come and this has created bad feelings and resentment. Please understand the hard work is for our members to enjoy at the end of the year. **SO we PARTY!!!!**

October Hospitality: Jeanette Johnson, Chair

Non Sweets: Suzanne King, LaRue Hughes, Jan Hanldey, BJ Swierk

Sweets: Sharlene King, Armida Guzman, Yvonne Lowrie

Since we are painting for Halloween, please bring some of your painted Halloween items for display and to use as decorations.

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Yvonne Lowrie
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**Fort Worth Decorative Painters
Minutes of Chapter Meeting
September 19, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by President-Elect Armida Guzman. Following items were discussed:

1. Minutes: Pam Martinez moved, Dusti 2nd, that May minutes be approved as printed in September newsletter. All in favor, none opposed.
2. Programs: Dusti reported Cindi will teach Halloween project in October. Paint scarecrows & other Halloween designs on jars or cans.. Cindi will provide a prepped large can for \$1. Contact Cindi to reserve one. Jars & cans need to be primed with flat paint. Tacky wood will return in October.
3. Membership: Donna Armstrong reported she has started collecting dues for 2012. Bring SDP card for her to record. We have 22 members present tonight and 2 guests – Bonnie Riley and Joyce Beall. We currently have 44 members.
4. Treasurer's report: Jeanette Johnson reported checking balance is \$5,747.60; money market balance is \$5,202.27; total \$10,949.87.
5. Newsletter: Sharlene reported for Suzane Godley that next deadline is Tuesday, September 27.
6. Seminars: Vera reported Mark Polomchak donated paintings to chapter. They will be auctioned/raffled at Christmas party, 1 for monthly raffle and 1 for seminar attendees.
7. Christmas Party: Cindi reported theme is Mardi Gras with comfort food. Paschal School singers will perform and “boys” will be on hand to assist members with packages. She passed a list for members to sign up. No money due yet, just trying to get an estimate of expected attendance.
8. Door Prizes: Vera reported for Mary Helen door prizes won tonight by Bettye Stevens, .Beth and LaRue.
9. Hospitality: Pam Martinez thanked volunteers for the food & drinks brought tonight. October volunteer list will be in newsletter.
10. Memory Boxes: Cindi thanked new members Terry and Debra who have jumped in and base coated a bunch of memory boxes.
11. Library: Cindi reported list is on website. Call Cindi before meeting for special request to be brought to meeting. New pencil book, Priscilla Hauser porcelain & ceramic book have been purchased in addition to new books from Borders sale.
12. Make-it Take-it: Bear spoon taught by Donna Armstrong.
13. Service Project: No report.
14. Monthly raffle: Vera reported Welcome signs painted by Jan Handley won by Juanita, Santa painted by LaRue won by Dusti, feather painted by Cindi won by Juanita, visitor Bonnie Riley won pumpkin jar painted by Jan Handley AND bear bag painted by Donna. Vera later announced raffle raised \$104.
15. Summer Paint In: Cindi taught 2 projects on a feather. Fun time had by 18 members!.
16. Decorative Painting Month: Cindi volunteered. She will announce theme & when to bring painted items later.
17. Pin Exchange: 4 participants – Cindi, Jan, LaRue, Donna. Next exchange in November.
18. New Business:
 - Beth & Dusti attended a water color seminar in San Angelo. Pretty samples shown.
 - Beth is hosting Chapter wood & book sale. Free books in chair.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 for door prizes, raffle and painting bear spoons by Donna.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharlene King, Recording Secretary

YOUR HALLOWEEN STORY – Cindi Creswell

Well Ladies, Halloween is quickly approaching. I have tried to keep with the recycle theme and came up with a few ideas. And there are a lot of them out there. I'll have some simple designs at the meeting you can use to create your own 'story' around your surface. Check online or the craft stores for more ideas. What to bring? **HALLOWEEN COLORS**. Any favorite brand will do. At this point color is color. On my projects I used what I had handy.

Surface:

suggestions, #10 tin cans, jars, tall and small, gourds, wood bowls, candle holders, anything!!!!
Note: if you use a glass, tin or plastic surface prep it with a flat primer.

Colors:

Lamp black
Bleached sand and/or other values of white
Burnt Orange and/or other assorted dark and light values of orange
Antique gold and/or different values of yellow
Burnt sienna
Raw sienna
Evergreen
Hauser Med, light and dark if you like
Citron green for a bold effect
deep purples or bright for accent colors
I like Napa Red or your favorite

Supplies

regular painting equipment
painters tape
pencil
chalk if you have some
tracing paper and graphite paper



Liners, flats. A big wash brush to do the colored background if you want. But you usually bring everything and the kitchen sink. A permanent fine tipped marker which is optional to outline or mark window panes

Your backgrounds can be black or a mix of orange, yellows and a touch of raw sienna. I found that Sandra Malone has a new book with Halloween designs that would work great. Check her book out on Artistclub.com
Another pattern source from Donna Bear is below. Be creative, try something different.
http://www.holmanpublications.com/free_pattern.htm



PROGRAMS – DUSTI DANCER

THANK YOU DONNA FOR A FUN MAKE-IT TAKE-IT PROJECT AND ALL THE EXTRA PATTERNS YOU INCLUDED. YOU OUT DID YOURSELF. WE ALL HAVE LOTS OF IDEAS FOR PINS AND MAGNETS TO USE AS GIFTS AND EXCHANGES FOR LOTS OF SEASONS AND HOLIDAYS.

OUR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER PROGRAMS HAVE CHANGED. WE WILL BE PAINTING SOME HALLOWEEN PROJECTS WITH CINDI IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER WILL HOPEFULLY BE THE DANCING BRUSHES PIECE THAT SHERIDA SHARED WITH US. WE ARE CONTINUING WITH OUR REUSE AND RECYCLE THEME FOR OUR SURFACES.

OCTOBER – CINDI WILL BE LEADING US IN A FUN PROJECT THAT IS A BUNCH OF IDEAS PLAYING TOGETHER AS ONE. SHE WILL HAVE LINE DRAWINGS FOR IDEAS THAT CAN BE USED AND ADDED TO AS DESIRED. HER SAMPLES AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING WERE FUN AND COLORFUL AND CAN BE AS SIMPLE OR ELABORATE AS YOU WANT. CINDI HAD A LARGE CAN PAINTED WITH HAUNTED HOUSES AND TRICK OR TREATERS, A TALL JAR WITH DANCING SKELETONS, AND A SHORT JAR WITH MORE HOUSES, THESE ALSO INCLUDED VERY COLORFUL DOTS AND STRIPES. THE COLORS ALONE ARE BRIGHT AND A LOT OF FUN AND NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO PLAY WITH COLORS THAT YOU MAY NOT USE ALL THE TIME.

NOVEMBER – I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE DANCING BRUSHES PIECE AND HOPE TO HAVE MORE INFORMATION FOR YOU AT THE OCTOBER MEETING. THIS PIECE CAN BE PAINTED ON ANY SURFACE (SHERIDA PAINTED IT ON A PRINGLES CANISTER, CONNIE PAINTED IT ON A CLIP BOARD....YOU GET THE IDEA.)

2012 PROGRAMS – I HAVE HAD A COUPLE OF MEMBERS STEP UP AND OFFER TO TEACH NEXT YEAR. THAT MEANS I HAVE SIX MORE SPOTS TO FILL, INCLUDING THE MAKE-IT TAKE-IT PROGRAM. THE SOONER YOU STEP UP THE MORE CHOICES YOU WILL HAVE TO CHOOSE FROM FOR WHEN YOU WANT TO LEAD US. CALL OR EMAIL ME NOW! NO VOLUNTEERS MEANS NO PROGRAMS.

DUSTI

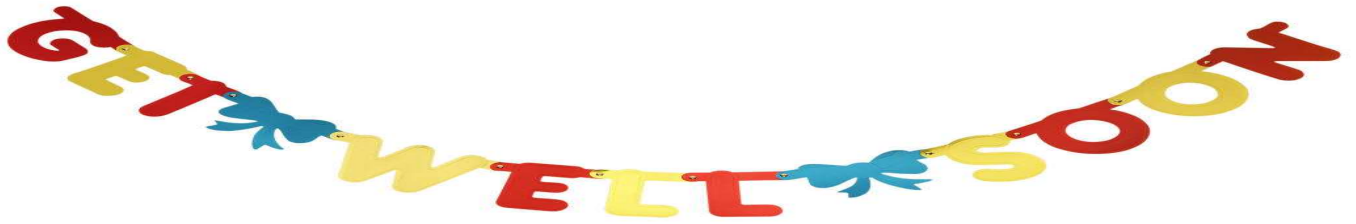
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Membership – Donna Armstrong

Can you believe it ?, Three more months left Of this year ! Our September meeting had 22 members attend and 2 visitors, Bonnie Riley and Joyce Beall, welcome Ladies. I'm accepting Chapter membership dues for 2012. Pay during October or November chapter meetings or mail me a check along with a copy of your SDP membership card. For those needing SDP application forms, I will have them available at the Chapter meetings. Society of Decorative painters offers a Household membership for \$30.00 a year. Household Membership is for a member sharing the same address as an Individual or Business member. Household Members do not receive Society publications, but all other benefits received with an Individual Membership will apply.

Donna Armstrong
VP Membership



Sunshine – Connie Bartch

We're sorry to hear that Armida broke her ankle. Wishing her a speedy recovery. Yvonne is doing well and will soon be leaving rehab. Vera is having surgery on her hand. LaRue is having eye surgery in a week or so. If you know of others during the month, please let me know so I can send cards.
Thank you. Connie

SEPTEMBER MEETING:



Donna Armstrong instructing the Make it Take it project.



Make it Take it project & goodies

2011 Dates to Remember

October 17th – Halloween project
October 24th – Board Meeting
November 21st – Santa on a basket lid
December 12th – Christmas Party

Articles should be sent to:

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Visit the Chapter Website:

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2011 Board

President – Carolyn Martchenke
President Elect – Armida Guzman
VP Programs – Dusti Dancer
VP Membership – Donna Armstrong
Secretary – Sharlene King
Treasurer – Jeanette Johnson

Committees:

Annual Fund Raiser – Beth Stodieck
Christmas Party – Cindi Creswell
Decorative Painting Month - open
Door Prizes – Mary Helen Horne
Historian – open
Hospitality – Yvonne Lowrie
Library – Cindi Creswell
Memory Boxes – Cindi Creswell
Make it – Take it – Donna Armstrong
Member Directory – Jan Handley
Monthly Raffle – Vera Hudnall

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State Fair – Sherida D’Ambra
Summer Paint In – Cindi Creswell
Sunshine – Connie Bartch
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