

# Brushmarks & Paintspots

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## IHDA Monthly Meeting

Date: November 18, 2023  
Time: 9:00 AM  
Where: Rantoul Rec Center  
OR  
\*Zoom - requires 24-hour  
notice to Jo Menacher



## IHDA Events

### 2024 Retreat



*Creative Escape*  
April 25, 26 & 27,  
Save the Date

*Teachers needed!*

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**FIRST  
CLASS**

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2023 Board Meetings:	
<b>January – 1/3 – 5pm</b>	<b>July – 6/29 – 5pm</b>
<b>February – 2/2 -5pm</b>	<b>August – (No meeting)</b>
<b>March – 2/28 – 5pm</b>	<b>September – 8/31 – 5pm</b>
<b>April – none</b>	<b>October – 10/5 – 5pm</b>
<b>May – 5/4 – 6pm</b>	<b>November – 11/2 5pm</b>
<b>June – 6/1 -6pm</b>	<b>December – (No Meeting)</b>
2023 BUSINESS MEETINGS	
<b>January – 21</b>	<b>July – 15</b>
<b>February – 18</b>	<b>August – (No meeting)</b>
<b>March – 25</b>	<b>September – 16</b>
<b>April 27, 28, 29, 2023 IHDA Spring Retreat</b>	<b>October – 21</b>
<b>May – 20</b>	<b>November – 18</b>
<b>June – 17</b>	<b>December – (No Meeting)</b>
<b>**Please note that if you ever have questions whether a scheduled meeting/event will occur, please feel free to contact an officer before you travel to confirm that everything is still on.</b>	
<b>Newsletter Deadline: Please, e-mail your report or information to the Editor, Nancy Bellmore. January 2024 articles are due by January 4th, 2024.</b>	



*From the President:*

You know how time flies when you're having fun? Well I must have been having tons of fun because here it is November 1st! The holiday season is fast approaching and I kind of feel like I'm stressed already! I truly do enjoy the season, but I must admit that I enjoyed it a whole lot more when my mom did all the work! 😊 I just don't know how she did it all with 7 kids underfoot. She devoted all her time and energy to her family. She was a hard act to follow!

We'll close out this year with our final club meeting on November 18th. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members for being a part of IHDA. The beginning of this year brought about a few uncertainties. How do we function independent of our National Society? Turns out - it wasn't quite as scary as we thought, and I believe we managed quite well! I love it that our meetings are relaxed and we're not so worried about following anyone else's rules. I especially love the moments - when the meeting is over - everything is cleaned up - and little by little, those still present, find a chair around the big table and we just talk! We share, we vent, we laugh, we learn more things about each other. These friendships developed through IHDA will stand the test of time no doubt and I love that!

I would also like to thank my board and committee chairs who continue to do their "jobs". We couldn't and possibly wouldn't exist without their dedication! I am grateful for each and every one of you!

I wish you all a joyful and peaceful holiday season. Remember to be thankful for the many positive things happening in your lives! Blessing to you all!

**-Joyce**



### *November & December Birthdays...*

11/06	Kim Wayne
11/08	Joan Dawdy
12/20	Linda LaRocco
12/24	Sherry Cundiff

### *Engineering...*

You have the option to meet at the Rantoul Rec Center in person or connect with us on ZOOM. ZOOM is easy and if you need help, just ask. I hope all will join us in the way that will be most comfortable for you.

***When gathering in Rantoul, please let me know by Thursday before the meeting so we can set up seating for each of us.***

Refreshments for November: Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Caryl Nuckols and Dorothy Engdahl.

Faye Colwell  
email: [istampwithu@yahoo.com](mailto:istampwithu@yahoo.com)  
217-893-1097



If you are not planning on attending in person, please consider connecting with us on ZOOM...it's easy and we would love to see you! Jo will email the link out a few days before the meeting to anyone interested in joining us. Any questions, please contact Jo Menacher at: [jomenacher@gmail.com](mailto:jomenacher@gmail.com)

### *Membership...*

Attention Members!!

The end of the year is approaching, and it is time to renew your membership. Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st. \$20.00. Registration form is attached.

Thanks!

Pat Adametz



### *Chapter Concerns...*

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with health issues: Doris Elam, Liz Orr, Sharon Davis and Bruce Bellmore (Nancy's husband). Also, keep Joanie in your prayers as she has eye surgery on the 1st & the 15th of December.

Please let Joanie know if you have any concerns.

Joanie Dawdy, Corresponding Secretary  
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### *Something to think about...*

**READY FOR A NEW CONVENTION?**  
It's a great new annual event in the heart of the Smokies! More than just a painting show, there will be vendors with crafts, art, supplies, demonstrations and all your favorite teachers with great classes! Giveaways, swag bags, inexpensive hotel rooms, and a great city to go shopping, all in a really convenient location in Chattanooga!

**FOLLOW US to keep up on news & details!**

**Annual Painting & Craft Expo**  
June 24-29, 2024  
Chattanooga Convention Center, TN

## Fundraiser 2023...



I think all will agree, our booth was beautiful! Thank you to all who showed up to load props from Jo's garage and those who helped to set up and tear down the booth. Not to mention those who picked up (and returned) the many items stored at the Rantoul Rec center. Whether you donated your beautiful works of art or helped set up, worked the show...we thank you for all your help!

Great job, Ladies!



## *Creative Escape!* April 25, 26 & 27, 2023

Submission Deadline Extended!

Classes, Classes, Classes! I have received several classes, and we are still looking for more to round out the retreat! Please think about what project you would like to teach. It can be acrylic, basket weaving, colored pencil, fabric painting, glass painting, mixed media, oil, sewing, scrapbooking, Stampin' Up, watercolor, etc., whatever fun project you might like to share your knowledge of with the attendees at the retreat. The teacher recruit letters were electronically sent out and may also be downloaded from the website (<http://ihda.us/ihda-retreat.html>), just select the Teacher's letter button.

I am looking forward to seeing the submissions come in! All projects need to be turned in by the November 2023 club meeting so the catalog can be assembled and ready prior to the January 2024 club meeting. The website also has information if you would like to consider being a vendor and the catalog request form. The sign-up sheet for the committee for the 2024 IHDA Spring Retreat will be out at the November meeting. If you are unable to attend in person or via ZOOM and would like to be on the committee, just let me know and I will get you signed up!

Thanks— Jo Menacher  
Retreat Chairman  
[jomenacher@gmail.com](mailto:jomenacher@gmail.com)  
217-621-8113





## ***Seminars...***

Seminar planning for 2024, 2025 and beyond is underway!!!

Many Artists have shared their talents with members of IHDA. I have only had the pleasure of scheduling and organizing these events for a few years and in that time, we have been honored to host Shara Reiner, Maxine Thomas, Mark Menendez, Mark Polomchak, Lynne Andrews, Janice Miller, Ruth Green, Annamarie Oke, Jamie Mills-Price, Ros Stallcup, etc.

“Time is round and it rolls swiftly by” ... do not wait, join us now for the calendar year of 2024 and you will be ready to sign up at the members price when our seminars are announced. So, while we all wait to learn who our Artists will be, complete the registration form attached to our newsletter and available on our website listed below. If you are a beginner and would enjoy learning more, or, if you wish to continue your interest in decorative painting, join us. Keep in mind that joining IHDA also provides you the opportunity to participate in our seminars whether in person or via zoom at the member rate.

Our IHDA organization prides itself in being fortunate to present numerous Artists offering specific styles and mediums increasing our knowledge and teaching us new techniques. We encourage everyone to share the opportunities we offer. Our seminars and local events are posted on numerous Facebook painting websites, by word of mouth, and on our website: IHDA.us

**If you have that favorite Artist you wish to paint with, let me know at: [mccovlindauer@yahoo.com](mailto:mccovlindauer@yahoo.com) ... our next monthly meeting is Saturday, November 18, held in Rantoul, IL 9am ...arrive early!**

*Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Seminar Chair*



## ***Lucky Bucks and Goody Bags for 2024...***

Cleaning closets? Thinning out your stash? Bought too much? Running out of room? The Lucky Bucks committee is looking for donations to be used as Lucky Buck items and/or Goody Bags.

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Jo Menacher [jomenacher@gmail.com](mailto:jomenacher@gmail.com)

Nancy Bellmore [letsaint7@yahoo.com](mailto:letsaint7@yahoo.com)

Judy McCoy-Lindauer - [mccoylindauer@yahoo.com](mailto:mccoylindauer@yahoo.com)

Alfreda Hopper – [bidnumber13@yahoo.com](mailto:bidnumber13@yahoo.com)



**Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists, Inc.**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**October 21, 2023**

President Joyce Quinlan called the meeting to order at 9:20am and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those attending in person were Joyce Quinlan, Pat Adametz, Jo Menacher, Caryl Nuckols, Dorothy Engdahl, Shirley Dammerman, Liz Orr, Janet Wilson, Terry Kohl, Doris Elam, Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Joanie Dawdy, Faye Colwell, Judi Maxson, Judy Reitz, Sharon Davis, Kim Wayne, Charlotte Craft and Linnea Rydout via zoom from New York.

**Thought for the day:** "You know you're getting older when you stoop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else can you do while you're down there!"

**Secretary – Nancy Bellmore** – September minutes were published in the October 2023 newsletter. There were no corrections and the minutes stand approved.

**Vice President – Pat Adametz** – Members to date remain at 43.

October Birthdays: Sharon Davis (IL) and Marsha Farthing (VA)

**Treasurer – Jo Menacher** – Reported as of October 20, 2023, the current financial information.

**Corresponding Secretary – Joan Dawdy** – Sharon Davis recently had a stroke and is doing much better. Nancy Bellmore's husband, Bruce, is at home now receiving PT and OT along with tender loving care from Nancy. Her church family has been very supportive in whatever they needed.

**Newsletter – Nancy Bellmore/Caryl Nuckols** – Newsletter articles are due by November 1, 2023 (same day as the board meeting)

**Spring Retreat – Jo Menacher – Creative Escape, April 25-27, 2024** – TEACHERS are still needed from our membership! Projects WERE due by October 21, 2023. Contact Jo if a project springs to mind that you would be willing to teach, but hurry!!! Continue perusing your private stashes for any items you may want to donate to Lucky Bucks!!!

**Education – Kim Wayne** – Kim said she is learning and working on the Education Scholarship process!

**Engineering – Faye Colwell** – keep Faye informed if you know of needed supplies. Kim Wayne has said she would be able to help set up.

**Projects & Donations – Doris Elam** – Possibility that some funeral homes may take memory boxes.

**Projects From Within – Terry Kohl** – Working on completing Nancy's project for the Fund Raiser ... crates and Santa britches to be filled with candies.

**Seminars – Judy McCoy-Lindauer** – preparing letters to Tracy Moreau, Debbie Mishima, France Quirion for zoom seminars in 2024 or 2025 and Mark Polomchak and his watercolor for a return visit.

**Fund Raiser** – The Bakeless Bake Sale is still going on for anyone that wishes to contribute. The Fund Raiser is being held at the Champaign Farm Bureau on Country Fair Drive, on Friday, November 3, 4pm to 7pm and Saturday, November 4, 8am to 3pm. All hands-on deck for setting up. Those who can help load props are meeting at Jo Menacher's 9am on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Work schedule is available so take a shift where you can and help otherwise as you can. Keep working on items to donate for the sale.

**Old Business/New Business** – IRS has notified us of our 501c3 status. We will apply for sales tax exemption for State of Illinois, that process is tedious therefore Jo and I have decided to tackle that in January.

Internal audits completed? Several have been.

Nominating committee will present the proposed slate of officers for 2024. Voting will take place at the November meeting.

There is still conversation regarding the trip to Chattanooga, TN for the Annual Painting and Craft Expo on June 24-29, 2024 (sponsored by Painting World and Viking Woodcraft)

**Next Monthly Meeting** – November 18, 2023

**Next Board Meeting** – November 1, at 5pm at Joyce's house

**Meeting Adjourned** – at 10:21am

Respectfully submitted,

Judy McCoy-Lindauer (Thank you, Judy!)

