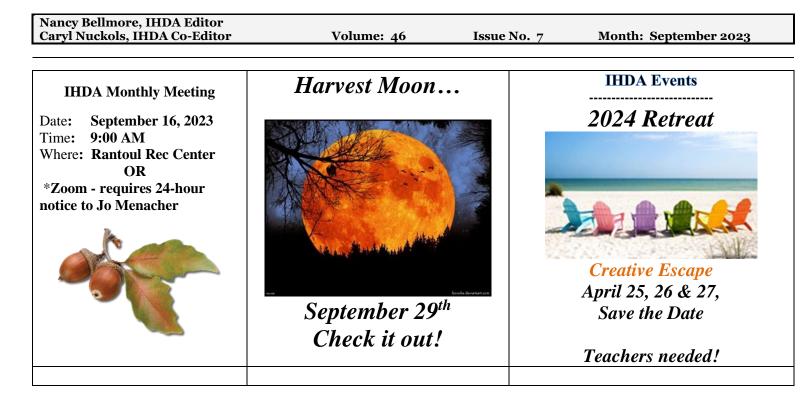
# Brushmarks & Paintspots Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists, INC



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2023 B	oard Meetings:
January –1/3 – 5pm	July – 6/29– 5pm
February – 2/2 -5pm	August – (No meeting)
March – 2/28 – 5pm	September – 8/31 – 5pm
April – none	October – 10/5 – 5pm
May - 5/4 - 6pm	November – 11/2 5pm
June – 6/1 -6pm	December – (No Meeting)
2023 BUSIN	ESS MEETINGS
January – 21	July – 15
February – 18	August – (No meeting)
March – 25	September – 16
April 27, 28, 29, 2023	October – 21
IHDA Spring Retreat	November – 18
May - 20	
June – 17	December – (No Meeting)
•	ever have questions whether
8	nt will occur, please feel free
to contact an officer before you travel to confirm that	
everything is still on.	
Newsletter Deadline: Pleas	e, e-mail your report or Nancy Bellmore. October 2023



#### From the President:

September Greetings to All,

"To everything there is a season..." as the well-known bible verse goes or the well-known song by The Byrds! I heard that song the other day and it made me think (scary I know!) -but here we are entering another season whether it be back to school season, the fall season, harvest season or in my case (I turn 65 or will have by the time you read this) the golden years! In any case this is the season we gradually start slowing down right? I certainly hope not! Fall brings a little less yardwork for me, so I'm really looking forward to being able to pick up my paintbrushes again and get to painting!

The craft show we participate in as a club will be here before we know it! Keep those brushes moving or those needles sewing or those stamps stamping whatever your craft is! Thank you, Joanie, for teaching us the darling Deb Mishima ornament at the July meeting. Maybe we'll see a few of those for sale at the show?? (I kinda want to keep mine!)

A big thank you to Judy McCoy - Lindauer for organizing our last seminar of the year with Ros Stallcup. I look forward to seeing everyone's finished projects. Also, a big thank you to Jo Menacher for her computer skills and all that entails for the ZOOM portion.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next club meeting - or as that other famous song goes -"See you....in September" (I know you are all humming that tune now (③) And in the meantime, accept challenges, keep moving forward, and savor the journey!

-Joyce





#### September Birthdays...

9/09	Alfreda Hopper
9/11	Janice Houston
9/29	Judy McCoy-Lindauer

#### 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 September: Shirley Dammerman, Joan Dawdy and Joyce Quinlan

Faye Colwell email: 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

#### Membership...

As of this date we now have 45 members. We welcome all new and returning members!



#### Chapter Concerns...

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with health concerns: Joan Dawdy's daughter and Terry Kohl's mother.

Please let Joanie know if you have any concerns.

Joanie Dawdy, Corresponding Secretary joaniedpaints@gmail.com

## State Fair News!

This year's Illinois State Fair will be long remembered by the Quinlan family as they were honored during the Centennial Farm Presentation. Pat shared on their Facebook page "*My great grandfather, Patrick Graham, my grandfather's sister, Ella Fitton, her son and his wife, Joe & Betty Fitton, have all been stewards of this farm since 1873. We are honored to be the current steward, and hopefully will continue for future generations!*"

Congratulations!



### **Projects from Within... (and Fundraiser)**



We have purchased 24 of these little crates to paint and decorate at the September meeting. Here are a few examples but we know you will have wonderful and creative ideas of your own!



In October we will fill these with candy to be sold at the November Craft Sale. But wait...there's more!



We have 14 of these cute "Santa Britches" to also fill with Candy for the sale...

So, bring a few brushes, ribbon, embellishments, glitter, glue, stencils and a few paint colors to the September meeting and we will get these crates painted and decorated!

In October we are also asking for donations of wrapped candy to fill the crates and Santa Britches.

Please join us for both September and October meetings. My grandma always said, "Many hands make light work!". Let's do it!



Oops! That would be a **"Bake-less"** Bake Sale! That's right...you don't even need to turn on the oven...every dollar goes towards the 2024 scholarship fund!

As of August 22<sup>nd</sup>, we have received \$550 from our members who have generously turned off their ovens and dropped a check in the mail to support this worthy project. It's not too late! Hey, if you still want to bake that cake or batch of cookies, go right ahead. But won't you please consider donating too!



#### Community Fairs Update!

Congratulations to Dorothy Engdahl and Caryl Nuckols for winning entries at the Ford County Fair and to Jo Menacher for winning entries at both the Fisher Community Fair and the Champaign County Fair. Way to go, ladies!



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

Teachers, Teachers, Teachers! April 2024 will be here before we know it! It is time to start planning on what project you would like to teach for the Spring Retreat. 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 in August and may also be downloaded from the website (<u>http://ihda.us/ihda-retreat.html</u>), 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 October 21st, 2023, to be eligible for teacher benefits of free/discounted week-end fees.

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 September 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 217-621-8113



## 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!



Now, about the Annual Painting & Craft Expo (APC), they want to make sure that everyone is aware. You can review the information at [www.apcexpo.net] (http://www.apcexpo.net/). The six purple bars on the site contain information for navigating Chattanooga, registration, and tickets. They have made registration paperless and as easy as possible. Some things they have provided within the event links are a parking app, mobility rentals, nearby lodging, the free electric shuttle, tours & attractions, and much more. This event is sponsored by Painting World Magazine and Viking.



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. Please consider donating your new or almost new items (that you don't use) to Lucky Bucks for the IHDA Spring Retreat! Feel free to start bringing your donations to the September meeting or any monthly meeting. We have storage available and will start matching up pieces with patterns. Thank you!

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Seminars for 2023!!!

Another Seminar year is behind us and the planning for 2024 and beyond is in progress.

On July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> we were privileged to host **Ros Stallcup** for her two-day zoom seminar. For those who joined us in Rantoul and those that joined us via zoom we hope that your time spent with **Ros** was informative and enjoyable just as it was when we hosted **Jamie Mills-Price** in March. Two incredible Artists

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

As we prepare for our 2024 Seminars and Beyond, we invite you to share the names of those Artists you would enjoy painting with either in person or via Zoom, including any of their projects. Please forward your selections to me by September 10 at: <u>mccoylindauer@yahoo.com</u> ... our next monthly meeting is Saturday, September 16, when we will discuss this information.

Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Seminar Chair





-- To help clean your brushes, keep an old Mascara brush in your painting tool kit. They are very handy for getting out those stubborn little bits at the ferrule and for removing dried paint.

-Anyone ordering DecoArt products from <u>www.decoart.com</u>, if you use this code SATKQ02H, you will receive 12.5% discount, any time, all of the time. Just enter on each order! Check your paint supply and order to get ready to paint for holiday giving!



#### Fundraiser...

November will be here in the blink of an eye! We hope you all have been busy painting and crafting for our upcoming craft show.

Since we will only have two meetings prior to this event, it's time to bring your donated items so we can get a feel for what we will have to fill our show. Please have your items priced!

All items should be geared to a price range of \$20/\$25 or less. Cute things for teacher gifts, stocking stuffers and ornaments would all be great ideas. Get those creative juices flowing!



#### Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists, Inc. Monthly Meeting July 15, 2023

President Joyce Quinlan called the meeting to order and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Welcome guest: Janet Wilson (Liz Orr's sister).

Those attending in person were Joyce Quinlan, Pat Adametz, Jo Menacher, Caryl Nuckols, Dorothy Engdahl, Shirley Dammerman, Liz Orr, Terry Kohl, Doris Elam, Nancy Bellmore, Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Joan Dawdy, and Faye Colwell.

*Thought for the day:* "May we think of freedom not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right." Peter Marshall

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

*Vice President – Pat Adametz –* Members to date for 2023 are: 43.

July Birthdays: Andi Fish, Lynda Lucas, Mary Sterling, Faye Colwell, Cynthia Estes August Birthdays: Liz Orr, Pat Adametz, Nancy Bellmore, Joyce Quinlan, Dorothy Engdahl

Treasurer – Jo Menacher – Reported, as of July 14, 2023, the current financial information.

*Correspondence Secretary – Joan Dawdy* – Joanie's daughter had surgery. Has anyone heard from Edda?

*Newsletter – Nancy Bellmore –* Newsletter articles are due by August 31, 2023. (Same day as the board meeting)

*Spring Retreat – Jo Menacher – Creative Escape,* April 25-27, 2024 – Teachers needed from our membership! Projects due by October 21, 2023, monthly meeting. Adding Thursday evening 2 hour Make-It-Take It. Anyone wanting to donate to Lucky Bucks can bring their items at any time. We plan to match up surfaces and patterns throughout the year as we receive things.

Education – Kim Wayne - not present

*Engineering – Faye Colwell –*Please let Faye know if she needs to pick-up supplies. Faye is not able to handle setting up tables. We need help with setting up.

*Projects and Donations – Doris Elam* – Thoughts on other options...Hospice? Nursing Homes?

**Projects from Within – Terry Kohl** – Joanie will be teaching Reindeer Kisses ornament following today's meeting. September - paint and decorate small boxes for fundraiser. October – Fill boxes and "Santa Britches" with candy for fundraiser.

*Seminars – Judy McCoy-Lindauer –* 2023 seminars: Ros Stallcup, July 28 & 29, is coming up. Currently, we have 19

registered. Be thinking about artists you would like to have for 2024.

*Fund Raiser* – Bakeless Bake Sale is still in progress. Keep working on items for the November craft sale.

#### Old Business/ New Business -

Code of Ethics – what it is and why do we need it – A code of ethic outlines principles of behavior of a club or organization. It gives general outlines of how members/officers should behave as well as guidance for handling issues that may come up. Why do we need them? By establishing clear guidelines for behavior, ethics help create an atmosphere of trust and respect. Ethical practices help protect members/officers from potential legal problems.

Internal audits are being conducted for both the club and spring retreat accounts.

We have an on-going discussion regarding the 2024 Annual Painting & Craft Expo, June 24<sup>th</sup> – June 29, 2024, Chattanooga, TN. The Expo is being sponsored by Viking and Painting World Magazine. If we can find a vehicle, Bob Nuckols would be willing to drive us.

Nominating Committee will be needed for election of 2025 officers – One person of which is from the previous year's committee, one appointed by the president and 3 nominated from the floor. This will be done at the September club meeting. The committee will present a proposed slate of officers at the October meeting. Election and installation will then take place at the November Club meeting.

NO Meeting in August!

*Next Board Meeting* will be Thursday, August 31, 2023, 5 PM at Joyce Quinlan's house. (This may be changed due to Joyce's vacation plans.)

*Next Club Meeting* will be September 16, 2023, 9 AM, Rantoul Rec Center

Meeting adjourned 9:55 AM Respectfully submitted, Nancy Bellmore, Secretary