

# Brushmarks & Paintspots

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## IHDA Monthly Meeting

Date: **October 21, 2023**  
Time: **9:00 AM**  
Where: **Rantoul Rec Center**  
**OR**  
**\*Zoom - requires 24-hour**  
**notice to Jo Menacher**



*Bring your donation of  
wrapped candy to the  
October meeting!*



## IHDA Events

### *2024 Retreat*



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

*Teachers needed!*

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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>November – 18</b>
<b>May – 20</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. October 2023 articles are due by Oct. 5, 2023..</b>	



### *From the President:*

October Greetings!

The fall season teaches us that change is inevitable and beautiful too and we should embrace those changes! I kind of feel like I'm in the fall season of my life! I'm trying hard to "embrace" the changes in myself. One knee doesn't work quite as well as the other, it takes me longer to get things done, and my patience is not quite what it used to be! I'm having a hard time seeing the "beauty" in these changes, so I guess I will just focus on embracing the cooler temps, spectacular foliage as it appears and cozy sweatshirts! It's the little things, right?

With only two club meetings left in this year, we've got some work still to do. Our attention is on the final preparations for the craft show November 3 & 4. Your help will be needed not only for donated items to sell, but also in loading props, setting up, working shifts, and tearing down and returning props. Please be prepared to help in any capacity!

I look forward as always to seeing you all at the October meeting. In the meantime, get outside - spend some time in nature - increase those oxygen levels and most importantly, make time for the things you love!

Fall blessings to you all!  
-Joyce



### *October Birthdays...*

10/08	Marcia Farthing
10/20	Sharon Davis

### *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 October: Charlotte Craft, Pat Adametz and Joyce Quinlan

Faye Colwell  
email: [istampwithu@yahoo.com](mailto:istampwithu@yahoo.com)  
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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 1 to December 31st. \$20.00.  
Thanks!

Pat Adametz



### *Chapter Concerns...*

Please keep Sharon Davis in your thoughts and prayers as she deals with serious health issues.

Judy Reitz would love a phone call, card or visit.

Please keep Bruce & Nancy Bellmore in your thoughts and prayers as Bruce deals with some health issues.

Please let Joanie know if you have any concerns.

Joanie Dawdy, Corresponding Secretary  
[joaniedpaints@gmail.com](mailto:joaniedpaints@gmail.com)

### *Education/Scholarship...*

Congratulations again to Joshua Pierce from The High School of Saint Thomas More as the 2023-2024 Scholarship Recipient. Joshua is attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign this fall.

We will be gearing up to send out postcards to high schools in Illinois with the link to our website advertising application information after the first of the year. For 2024 the scholarship is \$500 with an additional \$125 awarded to the art department of the winning applicant. If you would like to serve on this committee, please contact Kim Wayne.

Kim Wayne, Chair  
[Kwayne604@live.com](mailto:Kwayne604@live.com)

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

We have purchased 24 of these little crates that we have painted and decorated.



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



We also have 14 of these cute "Santa Britches" to fill with Candy too!

***To do this we need your donation of wrapped candy...pieces should be small so they will pack nicely.***

Please join us for the October meeting as we complete this project!

## ***Fundraiser Donations...***

Don't forget to make plans to bring your donations to the club meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup>, the Fundraiser the morning of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, or make arrangements to hand them over to another club member to bring.

Items should be priced if being brought to the show. If you need help with pricing, please reach out. Folks near Champaign are welcome to contact Jo Menacher to drop off at her house.



## ***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 (<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 October 21<sup>st</sup>, 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 October 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



### ***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 October meeting or any monthly meeting. We have storage available and will start matching up pieces with patterns. Thank you!

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

### ***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



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

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

There have been many Artists that have shared their talents in seminars with IHDA for many years. However, I have only had the pleasure of scheduling and organizing seminars over the last few years. During that time we have were blessed to host Shara Reiner, Maxine Thomas, Mark Menendez, Mark Polomchak, Lynne Andrews, Janice Miller, Ruth Green, Annamarie Oke, Jamie Mills-Price, Ros Stallcup, etc.

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](http://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 at: [mccoylindauer@yahoo.com](mailto:mccoylindauer@yahoo.com) or at our next monthly meeting, Saturday, October 21, held in Rantoul, IL.**

*Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Seminar Chair*



**Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists, Inc.**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**September 16, 2023**

President Joyce Quinlan called the meeting to order and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those attending in person were Joyce Quinlan, Pat Adametz, Caryl Nuckols, Dorothy Engdahl, Shirley Dammerman, Nancy Bellmore, Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Joan Dawdy, Alfreda Hopper, Sharon Davis and Faye Colwell. Jo Menacher briefly connected on Zoom to say hello to everyone before leaving for the football game.

**Thought for the day:** "Happiness often sneaks in through a door you didn't know you left open." John Barrymore

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

**Vice President – Pat Adametz** – Members to date for 2023 are: 45.

September Birthdays: Alfreda Hopper, Janice Houston, and Judy McCoy-Lindauer

**Treasurer** – Jo Menacher – not present but supplied her report as of July 14, 2023, of the current financial information.

**Correspondence Secretary – Joan Dawdy** – Remembering Fred Manske who (was our go-to wood cutter for years) passed away recently. Health concerns for Joan Dawdy's daughter - upcoming surgery, Doris Elam – having MRI, Faye Colwell – procedure on her sinus, Sharon Davis – MRI.

**Newsletter – Nancy Bellmore** – Newsletter articles are due by October 5, 2023. (same day as the board meeting). Since the board meeting is so late, please consider getting your articles turned in by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Spring Retreat – Jo Menacher – Creative Escape**, April 25-27, 2024 – Teachers needed from our membership! Projects due by October 21, 2023, monthly meeting. Looking for Lucky Bucks donations and bargains.

**Education – Kim Wayne** -not present – Jo awaiting confirmation of enrollment so she can send the check.

**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 someone to take over setting up for 2024. Refreshment committee for October: Charlotte Craft, Pat Adametz and Joyce Quinlan.

**Projects and Donations – Doris Elam** – not present

**Projects from Within – Terry Kohl** – not present

**Seminars – Judy McCoy-Lindauer** – no response to her request for suggestions on teachers for 2024. Judy read a list of teachers hoping to get some feedback. Suggestion was made to do some in-house seminars.

**Fund Raiser** – Bakeless Bake Sale is still in progress. Keep working on items for the November craft sale. Stay after the meeting to paint and decorate the crates. Will fill crates and Santa Britches with candy at the October meeting.

**Old Business/ New Business** –

Internal audits – club books completed.

Fair winners: Dorothy Engdahl and Caryl Nuckols were our big winners for the Ford County Fair. Jo Menacher was a big winner at both Fisher and Champaign County Fairs. Congratulations ladies!

Nominating Committee will be needed for election of 2024 officers – Five members are needed – One from previous year's committee which will be Nancy Bellmore. One appointed by the president which is Judy McCoy-Lindauer. Three nominated from the floor: Caryl Nuckols, Dorothy Engdahl, and Shirley Dammerman. A motion was made by Judy McCoy-Lindauer to accept the committee. Alfreda Hopper second. All were in favor. The committee will present a proposed slate of officers at the October meeting. Election and installation will take place at the November meeting.

**Next Board Meeting** will be Thursday, October 5, 2023, 5 PM at Joyce Quinlan's house.

**Next Club Meeting** will be October 21, 2023, 9 AM, Rantoul Rec Center

Meeting adjourned 10:10 AM  
Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Bellmore, Secretary

