

Brushmarks & Paintspots

ILLINOIS HEARTLAND DECORATIVE ARTISTS, INC

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IHDA Monthly Meeting

Date: March 25, 2023
Time: 9:00 AM
Where: Rantoul Rec Center
OR
*Zoom - requires 24-hour
notice to Jo Menacher

Rec Center is open!

Masks are optional.



Happy St. Patty's Day

IHDA Events

2023 Seminars

Jamie Mills Price
March 17 & 18

Ros Stallcup
July 28 & 29

2023 Retreat



Art in the Park
April 27, 28 & 29, 2023

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CLASS**

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2023 Board Meetings:

January – 1/3 – 5pm	July – 6/29– 6pm
February – 2/2 -5pm	August – (No meeting)
March – 2/28 – 5pm	September – 8/31 – 6pm
April – none	October – 10/5 – 5pm
May – 5/4 – 6pm	November – 11/2 5pm
June – 6/1 -6pm	December – (No Meeting)

2023 BUSINESS MEETINGS

January – 21	July – 15
February – 18	August – (No meeting)
March – 25	September – 16
April 27, 28, 29, 2023 IHDA Spring Retreat	October – 21
	November – 18
May – 20	
June – 17	December – (No Meeting)

****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.**

Newsletter Deadline: Please, e-mail your report or information to the Editor, Nancy Bellmore. May. 2023 articles are due by May 1, 2023..



From the President:

It would seem as though March is coming in like a lion as I write this while tornado warnings are blasting from my phone! I can't help but want to go outside and look for a funnel cloud! Crazy me but I love a good thunderstorm! I'm sure I would think differently if I ever had to endure a devastating tornado. I hope you all are staying safe and dry and not running outside to look to the skies but tucked safely inside happily painting or crafting away!

I'm seeing bits and pieces of new life outside - a slight green to the grass, tulip and daffodil tips are poking through the soil, buds forming on a few shrubs - ahhh Spring! So much to look forward to and yet so overwhelming- so much to do here on the farm! Our winter rest is over - time to start gearing up! Time to start gearing up in IHDA also! We have our seminar with Jamie Mills-Price this month. I've taken a ZOOM class from Jamie in the past and she is an absolute joy to paint with. I hope many of you can join us! We also have our yearly Spring Retreat coming up in April. This is always a fun 3 days filled with painting, crafting, making new friendships and renewing old ones as well. Information on all our events can be found within this newsletter or on our website www.ihda.us

We are still in need of a chairman for our Education Committee. Please consider taking on this chairmanship. Several members in our club wear multiple hats already and I'm so grateful that they do- but it seems unfair to burden them with extra duties.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon! Blessings to you all!

-Joyce



March & April Birthdays:

3/16	Edda Freeman
3/21	Josie Beisswanger
3/23	Jo Menacher
3/24	Charlotte Craft
3/30	Judi Maxson
4/11	Doris Elam
4/12	Sue Link
4/13	Shirley Dammerman
4/19	Judy Reitz

Engineering...

Masks are now optional. Please feel free to do whatever makes you comfortable.

You will still 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 you 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 setup seating for each of us.

Refreshment Committee: Shirley Dammerman and Caryl Nuckols

Faye Colwell
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From the Vice President...

As of this date we now have 34 members. We welcome all new and returning members!

Pat Adametz, Vice President



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



Chapter Concerns...

We recently learned that Ruth Green, (our fabulous Rosemaling teacher) lost her husband shortly before Christmas. Please keep Ruth in your thoughts and prayers.

Please let me know if you have any concerns.

Joanie Dawdy, Corresponding Secretary
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***Don't forget...
Sunday, March 12th***





Art in the Park!
April 27, 28 & 29, 2023

Woo Hoo! The weekend will be here before we know it! At this point in time, we are nearing 42 registrations and 50 is not out of reach! The catalog has been emailed out as well as uploaded to the IHDA webpage. We are not printing extra hard copies so if you want one you need to let us know prior to the March meeting! The PDF version may be downloaded from our website at www.IHDA.us. Remember that you can pay up to half of your registration fee with Merit Certificates before this option disappears.

Let me thank everyone who has stepped up to the plate and is offering classes. We can't do this retreat without everyone pitching in. We have a nice variety of mediums and skill levels. Like last year, the weekend retreat fee excludes overnight lodging, so if you are planning on staying on the 4-H Memorial Campgrounds, please include the lodging fee with your registration fee. I think we are all looking forward to spending time together, being creative, good food and beautiful surroundings! We will continue to follow best practices to keep us all safe. I have been fielding phone calls and emails so if you are wanting a particular class, don't wait too long to send your registration in! One class was STRETCHED to 20 registrants, but all other classes will have a limit of 15 attendees so keep that in mind!

Teachers: Don't forget to bring your sample pieces to the meeting! Committee: There will be a committee meeting after the March Club meeting to sign-up for job responsibilities and to chat about logistics. As of the writing of this article, the Covid-19 guidelines issued by the State of Illinois and University of Illinois Extension have reverted to mainly pre-covid guidelines of basic hygiene. Everyone will need to assess their personal comfort level and be respectful of others and their decisions.

Thanks— Jo Menacher Retreat Chairman
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Spring Cleaning? 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. Please consider donating your new or almost new items that you don't use to Lucky Bucks for the IHDA Spring Retreat! Any donations may be brought to the chapter meeting. Contact Nancy Bellmore, Judy McCoy-Lindauer or Jo Menacher with any questions!

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Alfreda Hopper – bidnumber13@yahoo.com



We need to hear from YOU!

Do you have a favorite designer/teacher that you would love to have for one of our 2024 seminars? We would like to hear from you! Judy McCoy-Lindauer, our Seminar Chairman, works hard to find and coordinate seminars for our club. It is her desire to select teachers that appeal to as many of our members as possible. Do you have someone in mind? If you have a book or pattern (to show the style) please bring it to the February meeting. Let's help Judy select that special teacher that so many may be silently wishing we could host.

Education...

Will **You** be our new Education Chairman? If interested, please talk to Joyce Quinlan!

Recipe courtesy of Joyce Quinlan



Best Ever Corn Chowder

- ¼ Cup butter-melted*
- ½ Cup onions-diced*
- 1 Cup celery-diced*
- 2 ½ Cups hot water (Joyce used chicken broth)*
- 2 Cups potatoes-peeled & cubed*
- 3 Cups frozen corn*
- 1 Tbsp granulated sugar-optional*
- 2 tsp salt*
- 1 tsp cracked pepper*
- 3 Tbsp flour*
- 2 Cups Half & Half*
- 6 slices bacon-cooked and crumbled*

- *Cook onions and celery in butter until soft. Add next 6 ingredients*
- *Cover and simmer until potatoes are soft-about 30 minutes*
- *Heat until it gets nice and thick, smushing some of the potatoes against the side of the pan, and stirring often*
- *Stir in bacon and serve- yields 4 servings*
- *Enjoy!*

Projects & Donations...

I feel I am taking a step forward and two steps backward. After dropping off boxes to Carle Hospital this morning, they called to say they are getting boxes from another no-profit and they don't want our boxes and I need to come and get them. Another possibility would be funeral homes. This is up for discussion when we meet. I'll keep trying to find homes for these beautiful memory boxes!

Doris Elam



Projects from Within...

Barn Quilt designed by Mary Jo Tuttle



Presented by Caryl Nuckols & Nancy Bellmore

- **March Meeting:** Boards (for the above project) will be available for those who have ordered. If you have not yet ordered, contact Nancy Bellmore. Boards are 12" square and \$3 each. (217 714-8920)
- **May Meeting:** Bring your board, sealed and base coated with Oyster Beige, a t-square or ruler, and a chalk pencil. After the potluck, we will show you (or give you directions) to quickly and efficiently mark off the blocks. Take your piece home to base coat the red and blue areas.
- **June Meeting:** We will shade, highlight, and add the designs to complete the project.
- Patterns will be available at the March meeting.

Hope to see you on March 25th!

Terry Kohl, Chairman

Fundraiser...

Plans are to promote a "Bake-less Bake Sale" in May. But, meanwhile, we hope you all are thinking about (and painting) items for the November /craft show. All items should be geared to a \$20/\$25 or less price range. Cute things for teacher gifts, stocking stuffers and ornaments would all be great ideas.



Seminars ... 2023 and beyond!!!

We are hosting Jamie Mills-Price for her two-day zoom seminar on March 17th & March 18th. We will paint “Freezin' Friends!” on the 17th and “Dear Santa” on the 18th.

In July, we are hosting Ros Stallcup for her two-day zoom seminar on July 28th & July 29th. We are painting her beautiful “Country Bouquet” on the 28th. A floral arrangement displaying numerous pastels which will place you in the mood for the forthcoming spring. On the 29th we will paint her “Fall Sign Board” getting you ready for the awesome fall colors following our beautiful summer.

We invite you and your friends to join our Illinois Heartland Decorative Artist, Inc. (IHDA) organization. So, if you would like to begin, or continue your interest in decorative painting, we would love to have you join us. Just complete the application form included with the Newsletter.

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 seminar and local events are posted on numerous Facebook painting websites, by word of mouth, and on our website: IHDA.us

We are seeking Artists for 2024 ... stay tuned!!!

NOTE: Be sure to mark your calendars so you do not miss the chance to learn from these awesome Artists.

Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Seminar Chair



Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists, Inc.

*Monthly Meeting
February 18, 2023*

At 9:30 AM 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, Jo Menacher, Caryl Nuckols, Sharon Davis, Charlotte Craft, Nancy Bellmore, Shirley Dammerman, Judy McCoy-Lindauer, Alfreda Hopper, Faye Colwell, Joan Dawdy, Terry Kohl, and Doris Elam.

Guests: 2 former members, Marilyn Pettice and Sherry Cundiff. It was great to see these ladies again!

Thought for the day: *“To be kind is more important than to be right. Many times, what people need is not a brilliant mind that speaks, but a special heart that listens.”*

Secretary – Nancy Bellmore – January 2023 minutes were published in the February 2023 newsletter. There were no corrections and the minutes stand approved.

Vice President – Pat Adametz – Members to date for 2023 are: 33.

Treasurer – Jo Menacher – Report, as of February 17, 2023, the current financial information.

Judy McCoy-Lindauer made a motion to no longer publish the treasurer’s report in the newsletter. Alfreda Hopper 2nd. All approved. Motion passed. (Note: All financial information is discussed and available to all club members at every Club meeting.)

Correspondence Secretary – Joan Dawdy – Liz Orr is now home from the hospital and has an allergic reaction. Joan Dawdy’s brother has Alzheimer’s.

Newsletter – Nancy Bellmore – Newsletter articles are due by the next board meeting on February 28, 2023 (for March).

Spring Retreat – Jo Menacher – Art in the Park: April 27-29, 2023 – 34 registered- Glass Block class is full but we have extended the class limit. Added a Thursday evening meal and we are working on the menu. Set-up Thursday morning and registration can start mid-day. Lucky Bucks committee has started their search for donations. The retreat committee will meet following the March meeting.

Education – we need a chairman! Jo Menacher updated the list of schools. Caryl printed postcards and labels, and those all were addressed at the last board meeting and then mailed. Jo will collect the applications and the club members will review and vote on the winner at the March meeting. Also, Jo received a letter from the U of I to confirm Jillian Lowrey’s full-time status to receive our scholarship

for 2022.

Engineering – Faye Colwell – Thank you Shirley and Judy for the refreshments. Please let Faye know if she needs to pick-up supplies. We may need to start looking for someone to setup tables and chairs next year. Faye and her family won’t be able to do this.

Projects and Donations – Doris Elam – Carle Hospital took 3 boxes and may want more; Gibson City Hospital took 3 boxes.

Projects from Within – Terry Kohl – July-Joanie will present a Memory Box

Seminars – Judy McCoy-Lindauer – 2023 seminars: Jamie Mills Price March 17 & 18 and Ros Stallcup July 28 & 29. Both will be Zoom only. We have 13 for Friday and 15 for Saturday (Jamie’s) and a few for Ros.

Fund Raiser – General consensus is to work on items to sell at the show in November that will sell for \$20 - \$25 or less. Focus on ornaments? Everyone needs to price their own items. If you are having trouble determining a price, bring it to the meeting and we can all help decide on the price. This sale is the first Fri/Sat in November.

A motion was made and voted on at the February Board meeting to propose having a Bakeless Bake Sale in May of this year. Faye Colwell made a motion that we have a Bake-less Bake Sale in May 2023. Judy McCoy-Lindauer 2nd. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Old Business – Continuing our search for insurance. Quotes have been too high so thinking maybe just basic liability coverage. Articles of Incorporation have been received from the Secretary of State.

By-laws and standing rules – Caryl has been working on this and passed out copies to all of us for our review. Please read. We will vote on accepting this revised document at the next club meeting.

Holiday party is now a May Potluck. We will have a sign-up sheet at the March meeting.

Next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 5 PM at Joyce Quinlan’s house.

Next Chapter Meeting will be March 25, 2023, 9 AM, Rantoul Rec Center

Meeting adjourned 10:27 AM
Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bellmore, Secretary