



Brushmarks & Paintspots

ILLINOIS HEARTLAND DECORATIVE ARTISTS

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**Remember the "importance" of an Active Membership - -
Contributing our Time and Talents.**

< CHAPTER MEETING >

Date: **March 19, 2016**
Time: **9:00 a.m.**
Where: **Recreation Center**
100 E. Flessner Avenue
Rantoul, Illinois
(Old Chanute AF Base)

**NO PARKING ON FLESSNER
ONLY HANDICAP**
Parking allowed on that street.

VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED



"REMINDER"

DON'T FORGET ITEMS....!!

- Chairmen: turn in attendance sheets
- Bring Memory Boxes
- Allerton Retreat – register for classes!
- Invite a friend to chapter meetings

CHAPTER EVENTS

Allerton Retreat:
April 22nd, 23rd & 24th 2016
Theme: "Celebrate Art!"

2016 Seminars:
Linda Coulter - Date Pending
SUPPORT YOUR SEMINARS

National Convention:
June 6 – 11, 2016
"An Artful Journey"
44th Annual SDP International Conference
& Expo
will be held in San Diego, California

Hoot 35th Convention:
August 8-13, 2016
"If You Give a Mouse a Paintbrush...!"

Chris Cringle:
The Fluid Events Center
November 11th & 12th
Contact: Joyce Quinlan & Caryl Nuckols

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FIRST CLASS

Executive Board Officers		2016 Board Meetings:	
President: Jo Menacher	217-621-8113 jomenacher@gmail.com	January – 13 – 6:00pm	July – 6 – 6:00pm
		February – 3 – 6:00pm	August – (NO MEETING)
Vice President: Judy Reitz	217-781-2848 reitzjudyflies@yahoo.com	March – 2 – 6:00pm	September – 7 – 6:00pm
		April – (NO MEETING)	October – 5 – 6:00pm
Secretary: Sharon Gardner	309 378-4096 (Home #) cgdowns@frontier.com	May – 4 – 6:00pm	November – (NO MEETING)
		June – 1 – 6:00pm	December – (?)
Correspondence Secretary Ellen Theesfeld	217-397-2404 herbellen@localline2.com	2016 Chapter Business Meetings	
Treasurer: Caryl Nuckols	217-379-4085 (Home #) carylcolors@gmail.com	January - 16	July - 16
		February - 20	August - (NO MEETING)
Newsletter Editor: Nancy Bellmore	217-714-8920 letsaint7@yahoo.com	March - 19	September - 17
		April 22, 23, 24, 2016 IHDA Allerton Retreat “CELEBRATE ART!”	October - 15
Co-Editor: Caryl Nuckols	217 379-4085 (Home #) carylcolors@gmail.com		November – Chris Cringle November 11th & 12th
Parliamentarian: Caryl Nuckols	217-379-4085 (Home #) carylcolors@gmail.com	May - 21	Set-up Time:
		June - 18	Place: The Fluid Events Center

****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**, “the Thursday before” the scheduled Board Meeting, (May Newsletter articles are due no later than April 28th!)

From the President:

Greetings!

Unconditional love...

I am reminded of this as I sit here typing one handed since I have a cat precariously perched and curled up in my lap. Even though earlier this week, when Callie had her annual visit to the vet for shots, check-up and a senior dental work-up, she was not very happy with me. Family, be it two legged or four legged helps to define us and makes us who we are. I am extremely blessed and I hope that all my painting family is as well!

The next couple of months are full of activities. The directories are done and will be passed out at the March meeting. Registrations are coming in for the retreat. Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists is your club and is only as strong as the membership and I thank-you for your continued involvement and support. In this same spirit of cooperation, I would encourage any member who has suggestions or concerns to contact me directly. As a club, I know we can be stronger if we all continue to work harder, support each other and most importantly, enjoy each other’s company. Life is too short not to have fun!

Yours—

Jo

Birthdays...

March:

9 Jo Coleman
9 Judy Meyer
16 Edda Freeman
21 Josie Hopper
23 Jo Menacher
24 Charlotte Craft
29 Rhonda Tucker

April:

8 Patty Ebeling
13 Shirley Dammerman
15 Judy Reitz
17 Elizabeth Davis
30 Penne` Beckett

Engineering...

Chairman: Barb Bickers

Refreshments will be served promptly at 8:45 a.m.

Refreshment Committee:

*Pat Adametz Judi Maxson Charlotte Craft
Joyce Quinlan*

Your help is always appreciated. Please contribute your time and energy by helping with setting up tables & chairs, making coffee, table decorations, clean-up, etc..

Doors are open by 8 a.m. allowing time for prep and set-up by the designated refreshment committee.

Please let me know when running low on any supplies. Contact me with questions and concerns.

Thank you, Barb Bickers, Chairman

Phone: (217) 352-1580

E-mail: Barb1gg@aol.com

Merits...

Merit certificates were distributed at the February Chapter meeting.

To all committee chairs: please turn in all attendance sheets monthly.

Jo Coleman, Chairman

Chapter Concerns...

Please keep the following members (former members) in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with health and personal concerns:

Donna Menacher, Jo Coleman, Judy Byerly, Darlene Clark, Carline Collins.

Our sympathy goes out to Penne` Beckett for the loss of her nephew.

It was nice to see Bev Norenberg out and about last month!

Please continue to let Ellen know of any concerns. Ellen Theesfeld, Corresponding Secretary

e-mail: herbellen@localline2.com

Phone: (217) 397-2404

Projects & Donations

When turning in your beautiful painted boxes, be sure to sign the sheet indicating how many boxes you are turning in. Also sign a Memory Box card to tuck inside your box.

Marge Stark, Chairman

Chris Cringle...

Contracts are coming in! If any member would like a booth this year, just let us know and we'll get a contract out to you.

As always, if you are out and about and see a crafter that would be a great addition to our show, get their info and pass it on to Faye Colwell, Jury Chair.

Quilt ideas are coming together and Joanie has been so kind as to give a few of us fabric painting instructions!

We will have the work schedule at the next meeting. See you all then!

Joyce & Caryl, Co-Chairs

Membership...

-45 paid members

Seminars...

Tentatively July 29th & 30th, 2016 has been set aside for the Linda Coulter Seminar. Nancy Bellmore had begun the process of contacting her where Andi Fish left off; and now I, Joanie, am following through with trying to make connections for a final commitment from Linda on these chosen dates. As soon as I hear from her and receive pictures we will go from there on choosing a project. A sign up sheet for the seminar will be at the meeting. Please put your email along side your name; as when I get the pictures I will send them by email for the people who signed up to choose which projects they would like to do. The ones with the most votes will be the chosen projects.

Just a reminder: If your project was not chosen, please do not let that deter you from attending the seminar. I have never in nearly 39 years gone away from a seminar project I did not particularly like or a teacher's teaching methods I didn't care for without still learning many new tricks or techniques. So, please continue to **Support our Seminars** even if it is not one of your choosing.

For those of you who do not know of Linda Coulter, she specializes in Grisaille (pronounced, griz-eye) which is painting in gray tone values for the under painting and then transparent oil color glazes are placed over and brings excitement and personality to the art work. So, this technique is great for all skill levels of painters.

Regarding future seminars: I will have a sheet put out at the March meetings for you to write your selection for future Seminar Teachers you would like in the future to come and teach us. Hopefully some of you will have suggestions

for teachers that are located in the mid west area states close by. I will put on the sheet a few suggestions with their websites for you to be able to check and look at their work on your computers.

Shirley Dammerman is my Co-Chair, who offered many very nice perks for me to accept this seminar position as Co-Chairmanship. I guess really nice perks offered will get you a yes commitment....:) I am delighted that she is co-chairing with me, as I know the seminars will be a fun adventure and doing it by myself would have been an impossibility. Thank You, Shirley!

Thank you,

Joanie Dawdy, Co-Seminar Chairman

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Shirley Dammerman, Co-Chairman

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Projects from Within...

So far I have "2" volunteers for the following months:

May:

June: Joanie Dawdy - Memory Box

July: Judy Reitz - Glass Bottle Project

September:

October:

Do you have a new technique, a skill or a project of interest you would like to share with the membership? It does not always have to be painting. It is a fun time to get together after the meetings and to do a project together. I would really appreciate from our talented group of painters that 2 or 3 more

Projects from Within...

(continued)

would "VOLUNTEER" please. Maybe you have a new brush that does fancy stuff you have learned to do with it, or new tricks in techniques...well do not be shy, share it with us. We have a great bunch of talented people in this chapter, so I do not want to hear you are not good enough to teach because YOU ARE...I know I have seen your work. For years I have heard complaints we do not have enough "PAINT-INS"; WELL, now is your chance to help fill that void of getting together and "PAINT" and have fun socializing together...HOW ABOUT IT? GO FOR IT MEMBERS! VOLUNTEER! DOUBLE DARE YA!

Please email me if you have a project to share with us at: joaniedpaints@gmail.com

Thank you,
Joanie Dawdy, PFW Chairman

Intact...

The March Member of the Month is Judy Reitz! Please join me in congratulating Judy for all she does! The intact committee would like to thank everyone for their generosity over the past year. We were able to distribute our funds across a variety of organizations both as a club and in honor of our members of the month.

This is also the month that we will be sending our donation to The National Museum of Decorative Painting that was created in 1982 for the purpose of collecting, preserving, and displaying the art of decorative painting. The Museum, located in Atlanta, Georgia, houses over 1,500 examples of decorative painting of

historical and contemporary significance and of artistic merit. Additionally, the Museum provides exhibitions and educational programs for the public to increase their appreciation and understanding of decorative painting, its heritage, methods, and techniques.

Thank-you,
Jo Menacher, Chairman

Allerton ... "Celebrate Art!"

April 22, 23, 24, 2016

At this point in time we are nearing 50 registrations. One class, Poppies and Ditch Flowers is full and has a waiting list. A couple of other classes are getting close, so don't wait too long to send your registrations in! Lucky Buck Gals are working hard to collect all the goodies and we will use a couple of past seminar pieces as prizes for Lucky Bucks this year.

Be sure and look for an entry for the Celebrate Art Contest! It can be a piece that you are extremely proud of and you just are in complete amazement that you finished it or it can be something that you just can't believe you actually did!

Spring Cleaning? Plan on bringing any extra paints and/or supplies to donate to the 4-H Camp. The Arts and Crafts area is always on the look out for donations!

Teachers: please plan on bringing your samples to the meeting.

Allerton Committee members: there will be a committee meeting to sign up for job responsibilities and to discuss logistics. If you are unable to attend please contact Jo Menacher.

Allerton Catalog: can be downloaded from www.ihda.us.

Thank-you,
Jo Menacher Allerton Retreat Chair
Email: jomenacher@gmail.com

Phone: 217-621-8113

Education...

The website has been updated, so now applicants can download the application and instructions. All postcards have been mailed, and I have received one application for Scholarship. Thanks to the committee for getting the cards ready, and many thanks to Joanie and Louis for getting the application on the website!

Roberts Rule: (Common Courtesy)

Please take notice following chapter meetings, many times there are open committee meeting(s) in progress. It would be appreciated by those in attendance of such meeting(s), **that the non-attendees** please try to **keep your voices down**. Therefore, **the attendees will be able to hear** instructions, discussions or information that is being given to them. Thank you for your courtesy in this matter of manners.

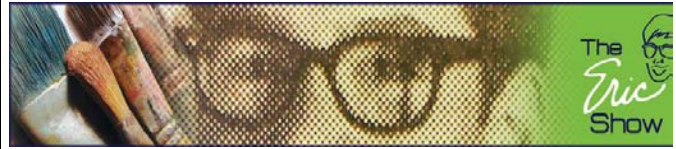
Ever think about “hope”?

“Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul ~ and sings the tunes without the words ~ and never stops at all.”

Emily Dickinson

Check out our next generation of artists! Featuring some of Central Illinois' best high school artwork...you will be amazed! It's free and worth your time. Browse through the Illini Union Art Gallery (located on the first floor, northwest corner of the Illini Union.)

THE ERIC SHOW



7th Annual Eric Show | March 10 - April 3, 2016 | Illini Union Art Gallery



The Eric Show is a juried [high school art](#) show that was established in 2010 and is [endowed](#) by Dale and Peg Steffensen in memory of Dale's son Eric (1951-1970). Throughout high school, Eric won several awards for his outstanding artwork and demonstrated creativity that was far beyond his years. He worked with Rob Fisher, then a sculpture professor at the University Illinois, and began preparing his portfolio with plans of majoring in art at [UIUC](#). Eric had graduated a semester early from Urbana High School but while driving home from a hockey game in early 1970, he was killed by a drunk driver at the corner of Race and Michigan streets in Urbana.

The Eric Show honors Eric's legacy as well as encourages the amazing young artists of this community.

Illinois Heartland Decorative Artists Meeting
February 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order by **President Jo Menacher** at 9:22 a.m. at the Rantoul Rec Center followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thought for the Day: "Your mind is a garden. Your thoughts are the seeds. You can grow flowers or you can grow weeds." Unknown

Secretary, Sharon Gardner reported that January's minutes were published in the Newsletter. Since there were no additions or corrections, minutes were approved as mailed.

Vice President, Judy Reitz reported we had 41 regular members and 4 associate members for 2016.

Caryl Nuckols, Treasurer

2016 Beginning Balance \$380.99

\$12,140.00 Income

\$2,287.35 Expenses

\$10,233.64 Ending Balance

Money Market Account Balance \$13,056.37

Corresponding Secretary, Ellen Theesfeld – Absent

Chapter concerns: Carlene Collins, Jo Coleman, Penne' Beckett, Donna Menacher, Darlene Clark
Newsletter, Nancy Bellmore - Absent Deadline for March newsletter is February 25th

Allerton Report, Jo Menacher Catalog is finished and registrations are coming in. We have 30 registered (20 non members and 10 members). One class Has 2 slots left. Youtube video of projects will be posted on website. There will be a committee meeting after the chapter meeting.

Chris Cringle, Joyce Quinlan and Caryl Nuckols Reported there are 7 contracts back. They are working on advertising.

Education, Penne' Beckett - Absent Web site has been updated.

Engineering Barb Bickers - Absent

Intact Families, Jo Menacher Need a Chairman and committee members.

Judy Maxson is the January member of the month and has chosen Home Sweet Home Ministries in Bloomington for her donation. Judy McCoy Lindauer is the February Member of the Month.

Merit, Jo Coleman - Absent Merit Points were passed out.

Projects from Within, Joanie Dawdy Looking for members interested in sharing a project. Judy Reitz will do a bottle in June.

Seminar, Shirley Dammerman and Joanie Dawdy Linda Coulter will be coming July 29th and 30th.

Old Business – Carol Bromley's used brushes will be given to members after the meeting and again at March Meeting.

New Business – None Next Meeting is Saturday, March 19th at 9:00 a.m.

Next Board Meeting is Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at Jo Menacher's home.

Door Prize was awarded to Josie Hopper

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Gardner

Secretary