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Refreshments
Lida Gilham
Cathy Somraty
Jean Hofmann
Judy West
Dixie Reeb
Delia Larkins



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Decorative Painters

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Chapter Meeting Sunday
June 8, 2008
At Maryland heights Center
Doors Open: 12:00 p.m.
Meeting 1:00 p.m.

Hi Ladies and Gent!

The June paint in will be presented by Jeannette Bishop. She will be teaching a project painted on dominoes.

The cost of the project will be \$3. She will have the supplies and the paints needed. Just bring your small brushes, palette, paper towels, and water basin, and be ready to paint. See you soon.

Lorie

We will continue to reserve tables for the paint-ins. Put your painting supplies at one of these tables and be seated at another during the meeting. The designated paint-in tables will have special table cloths on them.

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If you have anything to pass on to the Chapter, such as, illnesses, congratulations etc. contact one of these people or your Membership Chairman, Jo Lynne Lair.

2008 Scheduled Events

May 17	GDA Board Meeting	Page/Lindbergh business
May 27-31`	National SDP Convention	Tampa, Florida
June 3	Memory Box Paint-in	Lindell Bank
June 8	Chapter Meeting	Maryland Heights
July 15	Memory Box Paint-in	Lindell Bank
July 22-26	Artist Expo	Houston Texas
July 25-27	Mary Gibilisco, Genesis Seminar	Wingate Inn
August 5	Memory Box Paint-in	Lindell Bank
August 11-16	HOOT (Heart of Ohio Tole)	Columbus Ohio
August 24	GDA Board Meeting	Page/Lindbergh business
September 9	Memory Box Paint-n	Lindell Bank
September 14	Chapter Meeting	Maryland Heights
September 17-20	Tole Country	Oklahoma City, OK
September 27	Ellen Rohne Sharing Workshop	Wingate Inn
October 7	Memory Box Paint-in	Lindell Bank
October 8-12	New England Traditions	Providence Rhode Island
October 19	GDA Board Meeting	Page/Lindbergh business
November 9	Chapter Meeting	Maryland Heights
December 2	Memory Box Paint-in Karen Steiner	Lindell Bank
December 7	Holiday Party	Andre's

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Dorsett Road West Right on McKelvey Rd. Right on Ameling Left on McKelvey



Chapter Meeting Location

All 2008 Chapter meetings are held at the Maryland Heights Center, 2344 McKelvey Road, Maryland Heights, Missouri, 314-434-1919.

News from our President

Well I believe that summer is almost here. At least the days are becoming a bit sunnier, which is nice to see.

The Tampa Convention is just around the corner - Margaret, you will have to share stories with those of us that are not going this year.

First of all I want to thank Marilyn McDonald for presenting a program on Memory Boxes to a ladies group and acquiring a \$100 donation. She was approached recently by one of the ladies who had attended the program, telling her that one of her co-workers had lost a child and asking how they could get a Memory Box for her. Marilyn painted and provided one for them. They were kind enough to give her a \$50 donation. Thank you once again Marilyn. This is what our Chapter is all about, sharing the love of our art form with others in whatever way we can.

Now is the time to put your name in the drawing to be a part of the Gold Brush Award Committee for this year. If you did not serve on this committee last year and are a current year member, you are eligible. See me at the meeting to volunteer.

I received a DVD from Andy Jones showing the DAC Museum. We will be showing this 15 min. video at the June meeting.

Remember to bring your books and magazines to the meeting for Rich Ogden (Barb's hubby) to deliver to the USO. Thank you Rich for helping us, help out our soldiers.

There is still time to sign up for the Mary Gibilisco seminar. See Lorie or Mary Jo at the meeting to do so. We have enjoyed the classes in the past with Mary and here is yet another opportunity. Cheri Rol's seminar was wonderful. Gals, be sure to bring in your finished pieces (or partially finished) to share with others.

You will get a chance at this meeting to also see what wonderful things you chose to have classes on at Retreat this year. I think it is safe to say, we have a few snowmen to choose from. <SMILE>. Jim and his ever present assistant, Jo, are planning a wonderful weekend for us. Tell others, so they may join us. They do not have to be a member of our chapter to do so and they won't be charged any higher fees.

Elsewhere in this Newsletter you will find WISH LISTS for Turning Point Women and Children's Shelter and the Animal Shelter, we recently adopted. Look the lists over and donate if you can.

Hope to see you at the meeting.

Gloria



It is just 5 short months until our Annual Retreat is here! Our Retreat Books are ready and will be available at the June meeting. If you will not be present and want a book, one can be mailed to you upon receipt of a request, along with \$1.75 to cover postage.

Remember we will have an "Early Bird" drawing from the first 15 members to sign up.

We will also have a Trade Show at Retreat this year, due to its success last year. If you would like a booth and the opportunity to sell your projects, packets, supplies, etc., contact Ellen Rohne and she will be happy to accommodate you.

We had an outstanding turn out of projects for selection for Retreat and I want to thank everyone who submitted projects. Everything was great and selection was difficult. I only wish we had more time so they could all have been taught. Keep a look out for some of the projects to be taught following upcoming meetings.

Retreat Teachers, be sure to have your projects at the June meeting so they are available for viewing. Please try to have them there by 12:15.

A BIG thank you to everyone who contributed to Memory Boxes this month. June's project is a cute giraffe holding a flower.

Thanks to everyone who voted to take on another charity, River Bend Humane Society, and to everyone who brought contributions to the last meeting. It is truly heartwarming to help those who are totally dependent on us.

See you all at the June meeting!

Jim Lair

Charity Corner





River Bend Humane Society

A wonderful and compassionate happening took place at our last meeting. We adopted a second charity, River Bend Humane Society. A lot of you have already brought in bedding and some food, along with items for their "Hope For Animals Resale Shop" and donations of money. This was all turned in to River Bend and they were informed that we were going to help them. Bill, the Director, was overwhelmed and even misty-eyed.

I checked with him this month and their wish list is:

- 1. Cleaning supplies (ie: cheap bleach, Pinesol or similar products) (**note from me: Clorox GreenWorks is at discount stores, it is environmentally safe, PET friendly, and cheap)
- 2. Dish Soap (inexpensive type)
- 3. Food both dog and cat, dry, and/or canned
- 4. Bedding
- 5. Any money donated will go to defray veterinary expenses & utilities.

















Join us at the Lindell Bank &Trust Company, across from the RecPlex. on Mexico Road in St. Peters. We usually start at 9:30am, paint and until 3:00 or 4:00pm. You can come as early as 9:00am. The bank has a kitchen with sinks, refrigerator, microwave, stove and a soda machine. Bring your lunch and basic painting supplies. Boxes are prepped and ready to paint. It's a really fun day! Our goal for 2008 will be to exceed the 1,022 boxes we sent in 2007. For more information call Mary Jo Kumer at 636-625-1328 or Gloria Falk at 636-561-6623 (or email Gloria at arttouch@aol.com).

If you're not participating in this fun program you are missing a real treat! A Free Painting Lesson, Lots of Laughs, and a Fun Day!

All paperback books and magazines. Anything listed below, if you would like to give something other than books. NO HARDBOUND BOOKS OR GAMES.

potato chips bottled water trail mix

candy bars hard candy granola bars windex

Fritos/Doritos fruit cups peanut butter/cheese crackers

raisins beef jerky

pretzels pudding cups

nuts

pkgs. hot dog buns

Emergency Shelter gives assistance to those suffering from domestic violence and sexual assault. They offer crisis advocacy, peer counseling, assist victims in obtaining an Order of Protection from the abuser, and dealing with the Criminal Justice System. They help women gain access to available legal services, social service agencies, and programs that provide other types of needed help. Turning Point serves Franklin, Gasconade, Lincoln, Montgomery and Warren counties. Their location is confidential.

Turning Point Needs:

Kleenex Toilet Paper Shampoo and Conditioner Laundry Soap Bleach Hair Spray Fabric Softener Sheets Feminine Hygiene Products (tampons and maxi pads) Deodorant Diapers and Pull-ups (sizes 4 and 5) Twin-blade Razors

Any Cleaning Products (such as: dish soap, floor cleaner, disinfectant cleansers, etc.)

Thank you for all that you do for Turning Point, Carla Hoffman

NOTE: To donate money to Turning Point, be sure to make checks payable to **Turning Point**. Donations may qualify as tax deductions.

Program Chair ≈ Lorie Reece

Another seminar under our belt!

As much as I was worried about our first seminar of the year being done by a "newbie" program director, Cheri Rol's seminar was a success. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves and learned something new. We had a total of 29 painters participating in the seminar on Friday, 19 painters on Saturday and 19 painters on Sunday. Cheri and her husband Larry commended us on our great group. A HUGE thanks and BIG HUGS go out to all my wonderful helpers, Gloria, Donna, Mary Jo, and Jim Lair for helping me keep it together. Thank you to Jean Ellison for bringing in the delicious ice tea.

The next seminar is Mary Gibilisco, July 25, 26, and 27th. Please visit the Gateway website to see the projects. At this time we have approximately 15 signed up for each project. I will have patterns for those paid attendees at the June meeting. I will also be sending the patterns to those that have paid along with the supply list via the internet. The project sizes are as follows:







Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Friday - "Tulip in a Niche" - Frame and Masonite can be purchased for a cost of \$21.95. Payment in full at the June meeting. Otherwise the pattern sizes are $8\frac{1}{4}$ Long by $4\frac{1}{2}$ wide for the tulip lying on it's side and 12x8 for tulip in a vase.

Saturday - "Study of Bottles" - 12x16 Masonite - \$4.95

Sunday - "Is it Spring Yet?" - 12×16 Masonite- - \$4.95 or you can purchase a calendar board, 19×12 overall which includes the insert Masonite 10×7.5 for a cost of \$22.95. I will have both pattern sizes.

Mary will base coat orders and deliver them to us at the paint seminar. She will supply the oils for each project at no cost.

If you would like to see the products visit http://kingslan.com/products.php?cat=39. DO NOT PURCHASE OFF THE WEBSITE.

We still have quite a few openings and probably will not be having Mary Gibilisco back for some time as she has taught our group a couple of times. There are so many other artists that we would like to have visit. If you have or have not painted with Mary, "now is the time" to paint with her at an incredible price!! We would love to have you paint with us and enjoy your company.

See you soon,

Your "one and only" Project Chairman, Lorie!

If you have questions about any seminars or workshops call Lorie Reece at 314-971-0190 or email at *program@gatewaydecorativeartists.com*. We are still looking for programs for this year. Help us out!

Mail or give seminar registration form with payment to: Lorie Reece: 1092 Arnold Tenbrook Road, Arnold, Missouri 63010. A non-refundable, \$40 deposit is required to register for one or more days. Program Chairman should be notified of any cancellation, and will provide you with a waiting list, if available. It is your responsibility to sell your Seminar space and surfaces. Check the website: www.qatewaydecorativeartists.com for registration forms.



Membership Chairman - Jo Lynne Lair

We had 44 members in attendance at the last meeting, 3 guests, and welcomed new member, Sandra Reynolds.

Please update your roster to include her:

Sandra Reynolds 8766 D Rd. Waterloo, IL 62298

Phone 618-939-9742 email: artistic55@hotmail.com

Birthday: 2-21

I want to thank Gloria Falk for her "Door Prize" donation of 2 beautifully painted t-shirts. Also, thank you to Kay Vuichard and Cathy Somraty for their donations for guest "goody bags".

If anyone wishes to donate for a door prize, please contact me at 618-258-9905 or email: artsonfire@sbcglobal.net. Your thoughtfulness will be greatly appreciated.

You are all a very important part of Gateway. Each of you contributes to our continued success. Please continue to support us by getting the word out about Gateway and bring a guest (or several!) to our meetings.

I look forward to seeing you in June !!!

Jo Lynne Lair, Membership Chairman - GDA

Members Who Need Our Prayers



Marilyn McDonald has a bulging disk in her neck and is in a lot of pain. Marilyn laments getting old, but aren't we all? Laura Heathcote had a heart problem, but is doing better now. Carol Rufkahr continues to battle her illness. Please keep them in your prayers.



Gateway Decorative Artists Chapter Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2008

Board members in attendance: Gloria Falk, Jim Lair, Jo Lynne Lair, Donna Wessel, Lorie Reece, Liz Geers. Jean Rogenhofer was absent due to the death of her Mom.

The meeting was called to order at 1:15pm. Ginger German gave the invocation. Gloria welcomed all members and guests to the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting and the Treasurer's Report as printed in the Newsletter were approved by a voice vote.

Janie Parisi, a former member, donated wood surfaces, which are for sale, with the proceeds going to the Memory Box Program. Dixie Reeb received a service award for service to GDA in 2007. Gloria mentioned the Cincinnati Retreat, 4/18-20, and the Ohio Mini Convention, 8/11-16. The new format of the DP was commented on and everyone seemed to like it. Booklets for the Houston Artist Expo, being held from 7/22-26, were available for inspection for anyone interested.

Books for soldiers(www.booksforsoldiers.com). Fill out the registration form. Once you are approved, you will get info on how to send books and videos to a soldier. Barb Ogden volunteered to take donated books to the USO at the St. Louis airport. Her husband will contact the USO and get info about what kinds of things they need. We will be put a list in the next Newsletter.

Jim Lair reported on Retreat. The project entries were displayed and voting took place after the business portion of the meeting. Color booklets for Retreat are \$2.00. Those not paying for the color version will receive a black and white version. Retreat will be at Trout Lodge this year October 24-26. Make your reservations by July 18. There will be a Secret Pal program at retreat again this year. Anyone submitting a Make it/Take it should bring a completed sample to the June Meeting.

Mary Jo Kumer reported on Memory boxes. 25 boxes were completed at the last paint-in. We have sent over 100 boxes to hospitals since the first of the year. The South County Girls are having MB paint-ins at 1st Baptist Church in Cedar Ridge. The next one is on May 17 if anyone wants to attend. The next MB paint-in in St Charles is May 6.

Lorie Reece reported on upcoming seminars. Cheri Rol is 4/25-27. Anyone not paid in full should do so today. Mary Gibilisco is July 25-27. Anyone attending should put down the deposit today. The patterns will be available at the June meeting. Lorie will check with Mary Gibilisco on Genesis paint palettes for her seminar. The sample piece for Ellen Rohne's Sharing Workshop 9/27 was on display. Gloria is teaching roses on a tee shirt after the meeting today.

The deadline for the next newsletter is 5/16.

Liz Geers proposed that we consider emailing the Newsletter to our members who have internet access. The costs of printing and postage are on the rise and the majority of our members have access to the Internet. Presently it costs the chapter 86 cents to mail a 12 page newsletter and e-mail costs nothing. After some discussion, Barb Ogden made a motion that the Newsletters be e-mailed through the remainder of this year, to those members that have e-mail access. Members without e-mail shall still receive the Newsletter by regular mail. Delia Larkins seconded the motion. A vote was taken by a show of hands. There were 44 votes for and 0 votes against. The motion passed. The procedure will be that when the e-mailed Newsletter arrives the member will then reply "GOT IT". This way Liz will know it was received.

Jo Lynne Lair introduced our 3 guests, Rhonda, Shirley and Justine; one new member, Sue Reynolds; and reported that were 44 members were present. Door prizes, Tee shirts painted by Gloria, were won by Lee Zimmer and Karen Steiner. The table centerpieces were won by Cindy Rupp, Marilyn Hartnett, Peggy Araki, Jeanette Bishop, Jim Lair, Ingrid Oertli, Ellen Rohne, Dottie Baumgartner, Lida Gilliam, Joan Love, Sandra Reynolds, and Sue Struckhoff.

Jo Lynne Lair suggested that we add River Bend Humane Society, a no kill animal shelter, as a 2nd charity. There was some discussion. Lorie Reece moved that we support River Bend Humane Society as a charity and Joan Love seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and passed with no objections.

Donna Wessel asked that everyone read the handout "GDA Dues Analysis 2007".

Jean Ellison thanked the Board members plus Mary Jo Kumer and Ginger German for the day's refreshments. Karen Steiner thanked everyone that attended her sharing workshop.

The motion to adjourn was made by Mary Jo Kumer and seconded by Jim Lair. The meeting was closed at 2:08 p.m.

In Jean Rogenhofer's absence the minutes were taken by Kay Vuichard.

Respectfully submitted, Kay Vuichard







Jean Rogenhofer	June 26
Cathy Somraty	July 13
Cindy Rupp	July 21
Ann Mohrman	August 1
Jeanne Abraham	August 2
Tracy Kocher	August 8
Carol Rufkahr	August 8
Jim Lair	August 13



Lovella Maur Karen Steiner Jeanette Bishop Josee Laferriere Lorie Reece Maureen Wasserman Elizabeth Geers Ginger Lee German

September 4
September 8
September 20
September 21
September 22
September 30
October 4



Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who sent sympathy cards to me after my mother passed away. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and concern.

I have been blessed with a new grandson – Aiden Patrick. He was born on April 21st and weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz. and was 22-3/4" in length. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Sincerely, Jean Rogenhofer



Gateway
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Deadline
For
The
Next
Issue
Is
August 24th

2008 SDP Membership form **1. Member profile** (Please print name and address as it should appear on the mailing label) ______ Membership # (if renewal) ___ Household Member Name _____ Membership # (if renewal) _____ Business Name (if joining as a Business Member) Mailing Address _____ ______ State ______ Postal Code _____ Country _____ City ___ Email _____ Website _____ _____ Fax (____)__ [] I am a member of at least one SDP Chapter and I wish to receive SDP e-mail chapter communication. 2. Membership Categories (Check one, please) U.S. [] \$40 Individual (\$45 after Dec. 1) [] \$70 Business (\$75 after Dec. 1) 3. Business & Teacher Directory Resource Categories (optional)] Author] Distributor/Wholesaler] Retailer Business members, Check all 1 Teacher boxes that apply for the Business & Teacher Directory. Listings are FREE with your business membership [] Home Studio [] Manufacturer/Importer []] Travel Teacher] Other with your business membership. [] Publisher 4. Payment Make checks payable to: SDP, 393 N. McLean Blvd., Wichita, KS 67203-5968. For faster service, use MasterCard or VISA and call (316)269-9300 ext. 105 or fax application to: (316)269-9191 Join online at www.decorativepainters.org ___Phone ___ [] VISA [] MasterCard Exp. Date _____ ___ Signature_ Card Number_ [] YES! This is a Gift Membership from _____ Membership # DUES POSTMARKED AFTER DEC. 1, REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL \$5 POSTAGE/HANDLING FEE (DOES NOT APPLY TO NEW MEMBERS) Your national dues need to go directly to SDP

Membership in this Chapter is open only to persons who are dues-paying members to the SDP

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2008	Gateway Decorat	ive Artists	membership form		
Name			New Member [] Renewal []		
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Address					
City	State	Zip	code		
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Check all that apply:					
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Certification: MDA [] CDA [] TDA [-				
Preferred Painting Medium: OilAcrylic Watercolor Other:					
What year did you start painting?					
Favorite Artists:					
Annual dues are \$20 per year, payable by Do	ec 31, 2007.				
Please make check payable to: Gateway Decorative Artists					
Mail to: Jo Lynne Lair, 106 Cooper Ave	., East Alton, Il	62024			



Checklist For June Meeting

- Bring basic painting supplies.
- Bring Show and Tell Projects.
- Memory boxes painted, varnished, ready to ship.
- **Books & Magazines for USO**



At the table:

- O Sign up for Mary Gibilisco Seminar
- O Sign up for Ellen Rohne Workshop

REMEMBER If you need to buy decorative painting supplies and want the opportunity to support your Chapter at no cost to you, go to our website: www.gatewaydecorativeartists.com and click on the ARTISTS CLUB link on the first page. Do your shopping and the chapter will receive 10% of your purchase. Again, at no extra cost to you. To make sure we receive the money please inform the President, Gloria Falk or the webmaster Josee Laferriere with any purchases you have made through our website. If you click out of the site and try to go back in - you must enter through the Chapter's link for us to get credit for your purchases.

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		issue	year	issue	year	
Full Page	8 1/4 X 10 3/4	\$ 10.50	\$ 50.00	\$ 13.25	\$ 62.50	
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Quarter Page	4 X 5 1/4	\$ 5.50	\$ 25.00	\$ 6.50	\$ 31.25	
Business care format	d4 X 2 1/2	\$ 3.00	\$ 12.50	\$ 3.75	\$ 15.50	

Personal messages are \$.05/word

All ads must be paid for in advance of publication. Ads should be camera ready, which means typed, artwork, completed and ready to print. Gateway Gazette is good advertising for those wishing to advertise their business, shop, classes, wood, painting supplies or other services.

For more information call Elizabeth Geers 636-947-4360 or email her at newsletter@gatewaydecorativeartists.com







Other Area Seminars......

Central Illinois Decorative Artists - Decatur, IL Kerry Smith - October, 2008

Mary Carole Lawson - Labor Day Weekend 2008
Hosted by Jo & Jim Lair
Contact Jo at artsonfire@sbcglobal.net
Space is limited - Reserve Early!

Patricia Rawlinson is teaching a seminar in Strafford, MO. June 20 & 21. Contact jhese@aol.com for more info.

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Memory Boxes and Charity

Mary Jo Kumer Gloria Falk

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