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September Meeting Refreshments Judy Dodson Barb Ogden Judy Sloan Mary Jo Kumer Josée Laferriere



It's not too early to Make Reservations for the Christmas Party



Chapter Meeting Sunday September 14, 2008 At Maryland Heights Center Doors Open: 12:00 p.m. Meeting 1:00 p.m.

Hi Ladies and Gent!

It's Auction Time! We anticipate our Members response will be wonderful and there will be many cute, beautiful, special items you will just "*have to have*".

It's also "Bring a Friend Day". We are trying to promote Decorative Painting and get some new blood in the Group. Decorative Painting is such a wonderful, satisfying hobby and has brought many rewards for those who indulge. Don't you know someone you would like to introduce to this great experience?

In addition to the auction items we have some brushes donated by Marilyn Fricke's husband that will be for sale. Come early to get first pick!

We will also be making an embossed and painted card with Barb Ogden and Checkered Cottage, team teaching. Bring your regular acrylic supplies and a sharp scissors. Project Cost - \$2.

See you at the meeting. Lorie

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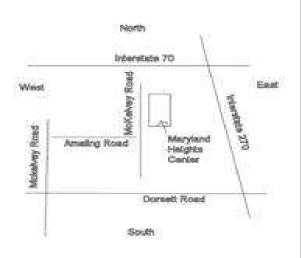
If you have anything to pass on to the Chapter, such as, illnesses, congratulations etc. contact one of these people or your Membership Chairman, Jo Lynne Lair.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



2008 Scheduled Events

September 9	Memory Box Paint-in Karen Steiner	Lindell Bank	
September 14	Chapter Meeting	Maryland Heights	
September 17-20	Tole Country	Oklahoma City, OK	
September 27	Ellen Rohne Sharing Workshop	ТВА	
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	Lindell Bank	
December 7	Holiday Party	Andre's	



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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

Hello Everyone,

I hope this newsletter finds you all having a restful, enjoyable summer. Of course, in the meantime, I hope you are also keeping up with your painting. Fall is around the corner, and that seems hard to believe - time is just moving too fast these days.

Several of us just got back from HOOT. It was a very nice show. Even though I, personally, did not need any more wood or tin I managed to find some I couldn't do without. Let's put it this way, we came away from the show doing our part to help support the industry. HOOT is always fun, it's like going home to a family reunion. I want to let you know we are losing Janelle Johnson at the SDP offices. She plans to travel teach, submit for conventions and help out with her elderly mother. Janelle's father just passed away. They have hired someone to take over her responsibilities, in my opinion these will be hard shoes to fill.

Regarding Peoria, I hope you are considering going to that convention. It is only 3 -3 1/2 hrs. by car. If you start saving now it will make it easier to manage the expenses when the time comes. I was able to talk to several SDP board members while at HOOT and they are all very optimistic about the convention being in Peoria. If you have never been able to go to a convention, here is an opportunity of being able to drive there - besides when you drive it gives you much more room to pack in those treasures you will find. <SMILE>.

We will have a couple of things to discuss at this meeting. Several of you have been asking if we could get a patch with our logo on it to put on shirts, bags etc. I have been doing some checking on the prices for that. Also, I know it's a little early but I would like to check on the possibility of getting a bus scheduled to go to Peoria next year. If any of you have had any experience in bus tours - get in touch with me. I think it would be fun to plan some fun for the ride up there and back......and leave the driving to the bus company.

There is lots planned for this meeting - so be sure to get there in plenty of time to look over the goodies that will be for sale or auction.

I hope this finds you all safe and in good health. See you in September. (Isn't that a song?)

Paint with a Happy \varnothing Gloria

Gateway Gazette Deadline For The Next Issue Is Friday October 19th

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*****Retreat****Retreat****Retreat****Retreat****

Hopefully our summer heat is beginning to pass and thoughts of a beautiful fall are before us. The moist summer promises to bring a beautiful nature's palette of colors. In just 8 short weeks, we are looking forward to taking all of this in at Retreat at Trout Lodge!! By the time you receive this newsletter, the August 20th Retreat deadline will be in the past.

The GOOD NEWS is......you may still be able to attend if you want to. The project sign up remains open, but before you turn in a registration, it is very important that you call Trout Lodge and reserve your room. Even though the remaining rooms in the block have been released - the room rates will remain the same for our group - you just need to make sure there is a room available.

<u>Retreat Teachers</u> Please bring your projects for display so everyone can view them and sign up for what they would like to paint.

Let's make Gateway's Retreat 08 Great!!! Be ready for some fun and surprises and don't forget to get your creative costume ready. If you haven't registered, we certainly hope you consider it this year. Be sure to view the projects at the September meeting - you can also see them on our website.

I look forward to seeing you at the September meeting.

Jim Lair, VP



Charity Corner

River Bend Humane Society



The shelter is so grateful for our support and caring. A lot of you have given and helped them out. They are at full capacity for both dogs and cats right now. Many of you are not aware that this shelter is so dedicated to our 4 legged friends - that when other shelters place some of their animals on the not-adoptable or "end of the line" list to be euthanized, River Bend gives them another chance at finding a loving home. If you or someone you know is considering adoption - please keep River Bend in mind.

Thank you for your continued generous support of these furry friends who cannot help themselves and depend on us and need our help.

*****We will have unique, River Bend Ceramic coffee mugs, handmade and donated by Mississippi Mud

Pottery, available for sale at the September meeting. Theses large mugs sell for \$15.00 and 100% of the monies go directly to River Bend. They are great for your coffee, hot chocolate and tea - I even have one on my table in my studio holding paint brushes! (Imagine that!)

Riverbend Wish List

Cat or Dog food - dry and cannedKitty Litter - any kindLarge water dishes for dogsBeddingCleaning supplies - Bleach, all purpose cleaner (ie: Pine Sol, Chlorox, Green Works, etc) and Dish SoapUnused coupons for any of the aboveRabbit Food - they now have several rescued domestic rabbits.

Donations of money help offset veterinary expenses and food for the animals. They also have a Resale Thrift Store and gladly accept any usable, working items.



Our ever faithful Memory Box painters have been busy painting each month. August's project was a cute fuzzy baby bird, perched on a daffodil stem, taught by Ginger German. Thank you Ginger!

Please consider joining our group one Tuesday a month for this worthy cause. We meet at Lindell Bank on Mexico Road, across from the Rec Plex, in St. Peters at 9:00 a.m.

Just think, besides all of the fun of painting together - you get a free painting class with the paints provided and a painting packet as a bonus!!

Thank you to all who attend and to those who also paint them at home as well as the other groups who get together and paint Memory Boxes.

The bank has a kitchen with sinks, refrigerator, microwave, stove and a soda machine. For more information call Mary Jo Kumer at 636-625-1328 or Gloria Falk at 636-561-6623 (or email Gloria at <u>arttouch@aol.com</u>).

If you're not participating in this fun program you are missing a real treat!

A Free Painting Lesson...... Lots of Laughs...... A Fun Day!



The next Memory Box paint-in will be Tuesday, September 9th with Karen Steiner teaching a pretty floral. Bring your lunch and basic painting supplies. Boxes are prepped and ready to paint. Our October Memory Box paint-in will be Tuesday, October 7th.

We hope you'll join us!



Emergency Shelter gives assistance to those suffering from domestic violence and sexual assault. They offer crisis advocacy and peer counseling, and 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.

Normal needs: Toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, tampons, maxi pads, razors, regular hair brushes, shampoo/conditioner/hair spray, all cleaning supplies, dish detergents, laundry detergents, fabric softener sheets, bleach, diapers (sizes 3-6), diaper wipes, brooms and mops (with buckets), towels and washcloths, white shower curtain, beige rug set for bathroom, can openers (hand or electric), pots and pans, vacuum cleaner.

Some out-of-the-ordinary requests: Bunn coffee pot, island type kitchen stove, refrigerators, new toilet, computer desk, twin mattresses, dressers, shelving, privacy fence, outside shed, intercom system, card activated door locking security systems, smoke venting system, new floor in kitchen.

We also are calling for anyone with different trade abilities, such as: plumbers, carpenters, electricians, etc. that would donate their time and some product needed for minor and major projects that are desperately needed.

Thank You for your continued interest in our shelter and the needs.

Carla Hoffman

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





like to give something other than books. NO HARDBOUND BOOKS, MAGAZINES OR GAMES.

potato chips candy bars Fritos/Doritos raisins pretzels nuts trail mix bottled water hard candy fruit cups beef jerky pudding cups granola bars peanut butter/cheese crackers Windex pkgs. Hot/dog buns

Members Who Need Our Prayers



Marilyn McDonald called me today. She had her lower back go out - with a bulging disk. She had that taken care of - it took a few weeks after to get that pain taken care of. She is still dealing with her shoulder and neck thing....they have her on pain meds and is doing pain management therapy. She said, she is doing OK with it. It has allowed her now to do a few things.



The second seminar has come and gone and what a fun time was had by all! We started out with some misunderstandings in the surface area but this was worked out before the seminar started and off we went painting! Mary Gibilisco was a refreshing and cheerful teacher as always! Mary made it in Thursday and packed up Sunday for her trip back home and to get ready for HOOT. We painted three projects which everyone seemed pleased with. The tulips were underway and I think most of us completed them Friday. The bottles were actually quite lovely and fun to do. Some of us didn't get done! Sunday a rush was on to start and finish the window painting of spring. It turned out much nicer than the picture.

Overall I think it was a successful seminar and I have not heard any complaints. I want to thank my wonderful helpers, Gloria, Donna and Mary Jo for all the help setting up the room for the seminar. Please visit the pictures on the website photo library.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR OUR SEPTEMBER SEMINAR WITH OUR OWN ELLEN ROHNE!!! We need additional members to sign up for Ellen Rohne's September 27th paint-in of the Christmas platter. If we do not get a few more members signed up we will have to cancel the class. The seminar fee is \$15 and you can sign up at the September meeting. Please support our teachers.

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.gatewaydecorativeartists.com for registration forms.

We Need You $....\Lambda$

It is that time of year to once again ask members to run for office. With this election we will be starting the staggering of office terms. **Vice-President; Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary** and **Treasurer** will be elected for a two year term. We will also need a **Newsletter Editor** for 1 year, to complete the rest of Liz Geers' term.

If you're interested in running and aren't exactly sure what the job entails call the person holding that position this year. I am sure the current office holder would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

The only requirement is being a member for 2 years (2007 & 2008) and having attended at least 5 meetings during that time...(this September and November meeting would count towards the 5 meeting requirement).

Please fill out the above form and return to me at the meeting in September or you can email me at: <u>cwpainter@aol.com</u>

Thank you for your consideration. Cheryll Wilburn, Nominating Comm. Chair



Membership Chairman - Jo Lynne Lair

In following this year of "Challenges" - the September meeting is <u>"Bring-a-Friend Day"</u>

The goal is to have <u>each member attending</u>, <u>bring a friend</u>. Let's "Pack the House !" and show everyone what exciting things GDA has to offer. Be proud of our organization and all of the good things we do.

***Please remember the September meeting is also our <u>Secret Pal - "Pin Pal" exchange</u>. Everyone who signed up, received their "Pin Pal's" name in June. This gives you plenty of time to get a pin ready. Place your pin in a bag with your name in the bottom of the bag, write your "Pin Pal's" on the outside of the bag and bring it to the meeting.

***If for any reason you are unable to attend - please send your pin with someone else and have them pick up your pin for you.

Thank you to Gloria Falk for her door prize donations of a beautifully painted T-shirt, and a painted suede eyeglass case.

If any of you would like to donate door prizes for the November meeting, please let me know. Your creative artistry will be appreciated.

Also, why not get involved? If you have any suggestions for the paint projects following the meeting, things you would like to do in classes or seminars, raffles, etc - <u>any other ideas</u>, please write them down and turn them in to me at the September meeting. You may submit your suggestions anonymously if you want, there will be no repercussions. We would like your ideas to make our meetings most enjoyable. All suggestions or comments are welcome.

The September meeting is full of fun things - I look forward to seeing you there and don't forget to bring your friend!

Jo Lynne Lair, Membership Chairman

HAPPY RI	RTHDAV	GDA CHRISTMAS PARTY RESERVATION December 7, 2008 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost \$22.00
Maria M		Name: Phone:
		Guest Name:
Lovella Mauer	September 4	Check no: Amount:
Karen Steiner	September 8	Make check payable to: <u>Gateway Decorative Artists</u>
Jeanette Bishop	September 20	
Josee Laferriere	September 20	Special Dietary Needs
Lorie Reece Maureen Wasserman	September 21 September 22	
Elizabeth Geers	September 30	At Andre's 4154 Telegraph Road, St. Louis, MO
Ginger Lee German	October 4	
Marion Flinn	October 17	Reservations Due By November 9, 2008 Meeting

Gateway Decorative Artists Chapter Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2008

Gloria Falk called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm. All board members were present. Kay Vuichard gave the invocation. Gloria welcomed all members and guests.

Gloria asked for approval of the April minutes, as printed in the Newsletter. With one correction of a new member's name, Sandra Reynolds, the minutes were approved.

Gloria told us of the trailer fire that destroyed some of the DAC merchandise and collection after leaving the Tampa Convention. The cause was unknown. 8 Santas from the new DAC book were burned and two of the teachers who were sharing the trailer lost everything. A 15 minute video, narrated by Andy Jones, showing the new DAC Museum in Atlanta was shown.

Gloria reported on the election results at the National Convention. Nancy Ginetti is the VP/President Elect. Board members are: Tim Mulvey, Barb Jenkins and Tammy Browning-Smith. Treasurer is Kaye Singer. Nominating Committee members are: Ginger Edwards, Donna Frost and Jeanne Biever.

Gloria brought a catalog for the NET Convention in Rhode Island, which will be held October 8-12th. Ohio's mini-convention, HOOT, will be August 11-16th. Tole Country is in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, September 17-20th. Oklahoma is offering a Chapter incentive: any Chapter that has 10 or more members register and take classes, the members will receive a free 2 hour class. If interested, see Gloria after the meeting for more information.

Barb Ogden is taking care of the collection for the USO. A list of items needed was printed in the Newsletter. Donating to the USO is one way we can show our support for our Troops.

Jim Lair reported on Retreat, to be held at the YMCA Troup Lodge in Potosi, October 24, 25, and 26th. Registration should be made by August 20th. Projects are displayed on the table, Retreat Booklets are available today, and registration begins today.

The River Bend Humane Society thanks us for all the donations they have received from our Chapter. Turning Point also thanks us for all the items we have donated to them.

So far this year, our Chapter has completed 632 Memory Boxes. National Chapters have contributed 108,339 Memory Boxes. For the month of May 1088 boxes were submitted.

Elizabeth McClintock donated a cooked and ready to eat side of ribs, which was auctioned off, with proceeds going to the Memory Box program. Mary Jo Kumer was our auctioneer and Cindy Rupp was the high bidder at \$23.

Lori Reece made the suggestion that everyone bring a piece of wood, painted or not, to be auctioned off at the September meeting. All proceeds to go to the Memory Box program.

Lori reminded everyone of the Mary Gibilisco Seminar on July 25, 26, and 27th, at the Wingate Inn. There are openings for all 3 days. Cost is \$48 per day. If you are taking Friday's class you can purchase a frame and inserts for \$21.95 from Mary and she will base coat them for you. Mary will have Masonite panels for \$4.95 each if you want to purchase for the Saturday and Sunday projects.

Saturday September 27th Ellen Rohne will teach a workshop. The cost is \$15 and Ellen will supply the paint. Her project is on display.

Debbie Slavin is scheduled to teach a seminar in April of 2009.

Jo Lair reported that Gateway has a total of 67 paid members. 40 members are present today and we have one guest from Alabama, Marcie Reece.

It was suggested that the September meeting be "Bring-a-Friend Day". It was also suggested that we have a Secret Pal pin exchange at the September meeting. If you want to participate in the Secret Pal pin event, please sign up with Jo Lair after the meeting.

A T-shirt and Suede eyeglass case were painted and donated attendance prizes by Gloria Falk. The winners were Jo Lair and Lorie Reece. Names were drawn for the 18 flowerpot centerpieces and the winners were: Jim Lair, Lorie Reece, Lee Zimmer, Mary Jo Kumer, Judy Mayo, Cindy Rupp, Delia Larkins, Jean Hofmann, Liz Geers, Karen Steiner, Cheryl Wilburn, Jean Rogenhofer, Lida Gillham, Donna Wessel, Sharon Hall, Sue Struckhoff, Gloria Falk and Ginger German.

September newsletter deadline will be August 24th. Liz Geers said the previous newsletter cost \$60.50 and the current one \$11.32. The Treasurer's Report has been taken out of the newsletter (available in PDF format on our website) and is being sent as a separate e-mail to each member.

Lida Gillham advised that Jean Hofmann recently had surgery, but is doing fine now and here today.

Other announcements: Joan Love's Mother had a heart attack. Delores Kessler's granddaughter has been diagnosed with brain cancer. Jo Lair will be hosting Mary Carole for a seminar in IL. over Labor Day weekend. The projects are on display.

Several members brought projects for Show and Tell and these were shown.

Barb Ogden said she has been working with Josee' Laferriere on a new, complete list for our Library. Members may check out up to 5 pattern packets today and return at the September meeting.

There will be a paint-in after the meeting today, taught by Jeanette Bishop. Cost is \$3.

In the absence of Jean Ellison, Refreshment Chair, Gloria thanked the members who furnished refreshments today – Lida Gillham, Cathy Somraty, Jean Hofmann, Judy West, Dixie Reeb, and Delia Larkins.

With no further business, Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Judy Sloan. The meeting adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Rogenhofer, Recording Secretary

The Gold Brush Award

- The Gold Brush Award is the highest honor bestowed upon a Chapter member. What: It is given to acknowledge outstanding contributions to the Chapter as well as dedication to the art of Decorative Painting.
- Who: It is given to a member who sets an example for all of us, one whose dedication is above the norm. She promotes the interest the Chapter and stimulates interest in Decorative Painting both at Chapter functions and outside of Chapter activities. She gives unselfishly and without a thought of personal gain. Her contributions need not have been made just in the past year, but are of a long-standing nature.
- When: The Gold Brush Award is given to only one member annually (not necessarily every vear) and is a once in a lifetime honor. The award is presented at the December Christmas Party Meeting without prior announcement of the recipient.
- To nominate someone for this high honor, fill out the form below. The Committee How: will research your nominee's qualifications based on information you and others give us. If you know of a specific service your nominee has performed, please state it briefly. If more information is needed a Committee member will contact you.

Please be conscientious in your choice and remember that this is not a popularity contest. A nomination box will be set up at the September and November meeting with extra forms available. Please place your signed form into a sealed envelope and either drop in the Gold Brush Award box or mail to:

Gold Brush Award 2008 Mary Jo Kumer 13 Charlemagne Court Lake Saint Louis Missouri 63367-2438

FORM MUST BE SIGNED TO VALIDATE NOMINATON

Each chapter member is allowed to nominate only one candidate, which will be kept confidential.

My Nominee for *the Gold Brush Award* in 2008 is:

Reason: (State briefly - Specific Chapter and or community service)

Your Name: Phone No:

Signature:

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Contributions for Turning Point,

River Bend Shelter & USO.

- Bring Show and Tell Projects.
- Memory boxes painted, varnished, ready to ship.



At the table:

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.

Great advertising opportunities							
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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

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2007

Nominating Committee Cheryll Wilburn

> Refreshments Jean Ellison

Gold Brush Award Mary Jo Kumer

> **Librarian** Barb Ogden

Historian Marilyn Hartnett

SPECIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2008

Christmas Party Lorie Reece

Memory Boxes and Charity Mary Jo Kumer Gloria Falk

> Webmaster Josee Laferriere



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Chapter Meeting

September 14, 2008 Sunday: 1:00 P.M. At Maryland Heights Center Door Opens at 12:00

Program: Auction

