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Refreshments Vada Galvan Judy Mayo Cindy Rupp Jeanette Bishop Sharon Hill Jean Wideman



Chapter of National Society of Decorative Painters

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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.

Chapter Meeting

Sunday, November 9, 2008
Maryland Heights Community Center at 1pm

(Doors open at 12:30pm)



We have 2 adorable projects for your enjoyment at our November meeting.

Donna Wessel will teach the Jamie Lynn-Price snowman ornament. Painters will receive 3 face patterns and can choose the one they like best. The ornament is \$3.

Cindy Rupp will teach the wooden Luggage Tag.
Cost is \$2. Bring regular acrylic painting supplies,
graphite, water bin and brushes: 1/4" angle, #2 &
#4 filberts, & 10/0 liner.. It will be a fun-filled
paint session. This is the only meeting where we
can paint - not one, but two projects.

Annual Election of Officers

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2008

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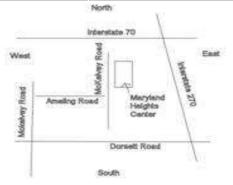
If you have anything to pass on to the Chapter, such as, illnesses, congratulations etc. contact one of these people or your Membership Chairman, Jo Lynne Lair.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2008 Scheduled Events

November 9	Chapter Meeting	Maryland Heights
December 2	Memory Box Paint-in Karen Steiner	Lindell Bank
December 7	Holiday Party	Andre's

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



Location

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



GDA Christmas Party Reservation

December 7, 2008 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost \$22.00

Name:	Phone:
Guest Name:	
Check no: Amou	nt:
Make check payable to: G	ateway Decorative Artists
Special Dietary Needs	

At Andre's 4154 Telegraph Road, St. Louis, MO

Reservations Due By November 9, 2008 Meeting

News from our President



Ahhhh yes, feel that "nip" in the air? Fall is such a beautiful time of year. It's Pumpkin and Scarecrow time again!! I hope you will take some time to create something new with the fall or Halloween theme. It is always fun to add new and fresh things to our homes.

November is our election month. I would like to reach out to each and every one of you to please consider running for a position on the board. It has become harder to get volunteers to run for these positions. I believe I have worked hard to streamline our meetings and board meetings, limiting the amount of work time for the board members. There will be a few of us who will remain on the board this year, and we will mentor those who come forward to serve. Please consider a position. There is a sample ballot in this Newsletter; you will notice that no one, at this point, is running for Newsletter Editor. WE NEED YOU!! If you are going to miss the November meeting, you can call Cheryll at 636–332–4548 for an absentee ballot.

I would say that our very first "pin exchange" was very successful. Great work everybody. Be sure to wear your pins to the November meeting. Let Jo know if you would like to repeat this again next year.

I also want to thank everyone who took part in the opportunity to support the Memory Box Program at the last meeting. Your purchases helped a great deal in our Live Auction. Last but not least, was the purchasing of brushes and books donated by Larry Fricke (former member, Marilyn Fricke's husband). Isn't it uplifting to drag out an unfinished, stashed away piece, gather the supplies needed to get the job done – then donate it for a cause? Many of us have made only a dent in our stash!! A special bond certainly forms when you work together towards a common goal.

I have been investigating the bus lines to Peoria for conference next year. I would like to get a feel from the membership as to how many would consider taking the bus up for a day or two for the trade show next June? There is a survey in the newsletter, so will you fill it out and send it to me in an email, or turn it in at either Retreat or the Nov. meeting?

We briefly discussed at the last meeting ordering patches with our chapter's logo on it. I sent an email out to everyone and some have responded. The 3" patches would cost approximately \$3.50 each. The approximate prices for 4" and 6" patches would be: 4" - \$7.50; 6" - \$12.50. The price could be less - but - not more. I need to know, how many and what size you would prefer or if you would want any at all? I would appreciate hearing from all of you.

Be prepared to pre-pay for the patches you want at the November meeting,

REMINDER: Don't forget to cast your ballot for the Gold Brush Award.

Hope to see you all at the Retreat.

Gloria Falk, TDA, President



By the time you receive this newsletter, our Winter Carnival Retreat 08 will be a memory. I'm sure everyone will have stories and photos of the fun and laughter shared by everyone and the wonderful projects they have painted. 32 members are registered for Retreat! Plans are already in the making for next year......so plan ahead and don't miss Retreat 2009! Be sure to check the Gateway Decorative Artists website for a wrap-up of all the fun at the 2008 Retreat!

This has been a year of challenges and an exciting experience for me. I hope I have met your expectations. I have enjoyed seeing you and getting to know all of you better. If you have comments and suggestions, they will be greatly appreciated. If you choose to re-elect me, I look forward to serving Gateway in the future.

Memory Boxes

Our ever faithful Memory Box painters have been busy painting each month. Our October session was a beautiful floral of white flowers and blue bachelor buttons, taught by Mary Jo Kumer.

Please consider joining our group one Tuesday a month for this worthy cause. We meet at Lindell Bank on Mexico Road in St. Peters at 9am.

Just think, besides the fun of painting together, you get a free painting class with paints provided, and a painting packet as a bonus!! Thanks to all who attend and also to those who also paint them at home, as well as the other groups who get together and paint Memory Boxes.

Our next Memory Box paint-in will be Tuesday, December 2nd, with Marilyn McDonald. We will be painting an adorable elephant. We hope to see you there. Mary Jo Kumer will be teaching our January 6th, 09 - Memory Box - it is also a beautiful floral. Be sure to check the website for a picture of this one

We are on our way to the Year End Prize.....we have won TF 3rd quarter contest also. So far, so good. Just thought you would want to know. This prize was \$50 cert. from We-R-Art out of OK. Guess what I ordered???? Paper Mache Boxes <smile> Got to keep us going. It is because of everyone's help that we are winning this contest. It wouldn't be possible without Your help and support. I personally want to thank everyone who has painted boxes, who has taken part in our auctions – silent and live. Whatever you have done to aid this project is very much appreciated. Together as a team we can do just about anything.

thank youthank you~~~~~~~~~~Gloria

Charity Corner





Riverbend Humane Society

Our shelter is so grateful for our support and caring. A lot of you have given and helped them out.

The shelter is 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 the "end of the line" list to be euthanized, Riverbend gives them another chance at finding a loving home. If you or someone you know is considering adoption - please keep Riverbend in mind. They currently have several purebreds in house: a Dachshund, an English Setter, and several Beagles.

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, Riverbend Ceramic coffee mugs that are handmade and donated by Mississippi Mud Pottery, available for sale at the November meeting. These large mugs sell for \$15.00 and 100% of the money go directly to Riverbend. They are great for coffee, hot chocolate and tea - I even have one on my table in my studio holding paint brushes! (imagine that!)

Riverbend Wish List

Cat food - dry and canned

Kitty toys & Beds (also any jungle gym, new or used would be greatly appreciated)

Kitty Litter - any kind

Dog food - dry and canned

Large water dishes for dogs

Cleaning supplies - Bleach, all purpose cleaner (ie: Pine Sol, Clorox Green Works, etc) and Dish Soap

Bedding

Unused coupons for any of the above

Rabbit Food - they now have several rescued domestic rabbits.

Donations of money go to offset veterinary expenses and food for the animals. Please make your tax deductible donations payable to: Riverbend Humane Society.

Riverbend also has a Resale Thrift Store and gladly accepts any usable, working items for the home.











All paperback books and magazines. If you wish to give something other than books they would appreciate anything listed below. NO HARDBOUND BOOKS OR GAMES.

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

With the Holidays approaching, the USO will have many young Military members passing through St. Louis.



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.

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.)

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

Happpy Birthday

Nov 4 th	Dianna Kapper	Dec 7	Joyce Bennington	Jan 1	Ellen Rohne
Nov 12	Barb Ogden	Dec 12	Joan Love	Jan 7	Judy Dodson
Nov 13	Mary Jo Kumer	Dec 16	Dottie Baumgartner	Jan 17	Vada Galvan
Nov 15	Rita Cooper	Dec 22	Jean Lindsey	Jan 22	Judy Mayo
Nov 17	Debbie Finklang	Dec 27	Judy Sloan	Jan 24	Cheryl Wilburn
Nov 24	Virginia Hauser	Dec 29	Marilyn Hartnett	Jan 26	Maura Gallen
Nov 30	Carolyn Swanson			Jan 29	Kay Vuichard

Program Chair ≈ Lorie Reece



Hi Fellow Painters and Jim!

Ellen's paint-in was on the 18th at Hobby Lobby in St. Charles where she painted a Santa Hat and Candle with Holly. It was really quite fun and I think each one of us learned something new! Each person had something different to paint on and each turned out cuter than the next.

Please remember to sign up for our Christmas Party At Andres on December 7th. It is \$22 for a 4 hour bar and buffet. That means all you can drink and eat in 4 hours. The drinks and food are included in the price. Come be with friends and have some holiday cheer!

Be sure to make time to stay and paint at next Chapter meeting with Donna Wessel and Cindy Rupp. Both pieces are very cute. Kudos' for their creative thinking caps!!

Also, just a reminder to start saving your pennies! We will have Debbie Slavin April 25, 26 and 27th teaching Calligraphy and painting, and will have Kathie George August 21, 22, 23rd painting with Wax and Watercolors. I will have pictures on the website for Debbie after Christmas. You can visit both on their websites: www.kathiegeorge.com and http://calligraphybydebbieslavin.com.

Can't wait to see you all! By meeting we will have stories of retreat so I suggest staying and listening to all the silly stories!!

Lorie 😊

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.

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!

2009 National Conference Round Up, in Peoria Illinois

Your Conference Special—packed with terrific Conference classes and events—will arrive with your Winter issue of **The Decorative Painter** magazine. There are projects of every media and for every level of painter, as well as wonderful parties and your chance to shop, shop, shop! And if all that activity won't make you dust off your suitcase, how about **discounted registration**? It's always more fun with a friend, and with this deal, cheaper too! Here are the details:

BOGO! Split Registration with a Friend! Conference registration is just around the corner, and you can save money by splitting the registration fee with a friend! Bring one member—new or current—who has never attended an SDP Conference and you can split the registration fee. To be eligible for this discount, both members must send their forms to SDP by mail or fax at the same time. (Discount does not apply to online registration or partial registration). You must also include the name of the member with whom you are splitting the registration cost. This discount applies to preregistration participants only. Offer expires April 24, 2009 and is not available to one day registrants or those who register on site.

<u>Chapter Banquet Tables</u> - We'd like to welcome everyone to join us as we travel the world of decorative painting. So many places and good times have influenced our painting. Why not translate your painting experiences into a beautiful Banquet table at Peoria Conference? The theme of this year's conference is "Painting: Passport to Fun" and you can express the theme or any idea you wish with your table. Create a centerpiece to be given away to someone seated at the table, as well as other giveaways such as favors, placemats and so on, if you wish. Each table will seat 10 people, and tablecloths, plates, silverware, and water glasses are provided by the hotel. The only thing that cannot be used is helium balloons. Start thinking of fun ideas and reserve your table to decorate by contacting me at sherrysstrokes@msn.com.

Does our Chapter want to participate in this Convention Event?

Chartered Bus to 2009 SDP National Convention in Peoria, Illinois Survey
Would you be interested in taking a bus to Peoria for the 2009 Convention?
1. Would you prefer to do a 1 day bus trip at a cost of approx \$25? OR -
2. Would you prefer to do a 2 day bus trip at a cost of \$72 for the bus and one nights lodging – Meals additional cost to you)?
Additional days can be arranged with the bus company – each day, of course adds additional cost to the trip for you of hotel and meals. My thought on this was there maybe some of you that would just like to go up for the Trade Show and see some of the displays and leave the driving to the bus company.
If we fill a 49 passenger bus - the cost for a one day would be \$25 per person. If we only have 25 people to take the one day trip the cost would be about \$45 per person. If we fill a 49 passenger bus the cost for a two day – cost would be \$48 per person. If we only have 25 people for a two day trip - cost would be about \$72 per person.
Note: There is a bathroom on board, VCR/DVD player – in case you want to watch a movie. Radio is also available.
Right now air fare is running about \$237 round trip to Peoria.
I also just did a quick check on automobile travel. It's approximately 200 miles (one way) to Peoria. Divide that by 21 mpg average in your car – multiply that by \$3.50 a gal for gasolineround trip would run you about \$67. Now, of course, if you share a ride with a group – that transportation costs goes down considerably.
I would like your answers here – so please email your thoughts to me. Gloria Falk arttouch@aol.com 636-561-6623



Membership Chairman - Jo Lynne Lair

It's that time of year !!!......DUES, DUES, DUES are due !! Please try to get them in as soon as possible. This will enable us to have our directory completed in a timely order as well as being up to date and accurate. Your attention to this will be greatly appreciated. You may pay them at the November meeting or mail them to me at 106 Cooper Ave., East Alton, IL 62024.

We had 32 members in attendance at our last meeting, with 6 guests. It was a fun and action packed day with our "Pin Pal" exchange, a great auction of wonderful items and a card embossing project at the end of the day. The hand-painted pins were wonderful and everyone enjoyed the creativity!

A special thank you to Ellen Rohne for donating 2 of her new books for door prizes, I know they will be enjoyed and useful. Other donated door prizes were a painted scarecrow on a board (suitable for hanging), a garden glove embellished with old buttons and a rabbit with his carrot peeking out of the top, and a pack of artistic palette notepads. These were donated by Jo Lynne Lair. 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.

I have enjoyed my position as Membership Chairman this year and it has given me the opportunity to get to know everyone better. If you choose to re-elect me for this position, I will work hard to serve the Chapter. If you have suggestions, please feel free to comment - I will have an open mind to anything.

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 us and bring a guest (or several!) to our meetings.

I look forward to seeing you in November!!!

Jo Lynne Lair, Membership Chairman - GDA



Marilyn McDonald reports the Sad News

A former Gateway Member of many years passed away. Ruby Hood of Eolia was the teacher who introduced me to Gateway. She was a great teacher, as well as a great lady. She lost her sight, due to diabetes, and hasn't been a member in recent years Learn more about her at www.mccoyblossomfh.com.



GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEBER 14, 2008

Gloria Falk called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. All board members were present with the exception of Liz Geers. Jo Lair gave the invocation. Gloria welcomed all members and guests.

Gloria asked if there were any corrections to the minutes as printed in the Newsletter. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved. Gloria asked if there were any questions regarding the treasurer's report. Hearing no questions, the treasurer's report will be filed.

Gloria mentioned that several people had asked about having a Chapter patch with our logo on it. She checked into this and found someone, locally, who charged \$15 for a 4" patch, and \$23 for a 6" patch, with an additional set up fee of \$125. She then checked an out of town source and found we could get a 4" patch for \$6.00 and a 6" patch for \$10.00, and no set up fee. After a brief question and answer period, everyone seemed in favor of getting a patch made. Sue Struckhoff moved that Gloria check into this further and this was seconded by Lorie Reece. Motion passed.

Since the National Convention is will be held in Peoria in 2009, we might want to consider chartering a bus for our group. Gloria will check on the cost of this. Someone suggested checking with Mid America and also checking with Maisel Hey's, a former member of our Chapter who worked doing bus tours.

We have packages of brushes and books for sale today. These were donated to our chapter by Marilyn Fricke's husband, Larry. Proceeds from the sale will go to our Memory Box Program. Prices of brush packages are marked on them and the soft cover books are \$5.00 and the hard cover books are \$10.00.

Jim Lair gave a report on Retreat, which is only six weeks away. Registration is open until next Sunday. Call Trout Lodge to make sure a room is still available. All class rooms are in the main lodge.

The Memory Box Program is going well. We will paint a floral painting in October at the bank. If anyone is not able to paint boxes, a cash donation for shipping boxes would be appreciated. River Bend Animal Shelter thanks us for all our donations. We are also collecting donations for the USO and Turning Point.

Lorie Reece announced that Ellen Rohne's Workshop has been changed from September 27th, to Saturday, October 4th. It will be at Hobby Lobby in St. Peters.

After today's meeting, Barb Ogden will be teaching the paint-in on a card. The cost is only \$2.00. Susan Fulton, from Checkered Cottage, will be helping her.

On April 24-25 & 26, 2009, Debbie Slavin will be teaching a seminar. The first day will be calligraphy. Cost will be \$45.00 per day and will be held at the Wingate Inn.

In July of 2009, we have Kathy George scheduled to teach a watercolor seminar. This will be \$45.00 per day and also held at the Wingate Inn.

The Christmas Party will be on Sunday, December 7th at Andre's. The cost is \$22.00 per person, which includes a buffet and drinks from the bar.

Items brought in for Show and Tell were shown.

It was mentioned that Ellen Rohne has just had a new book published. It is called, "Nana's Collectables". Congratulations, Ellen!

Jo Lair reported that we have 68 paid members in our chapter. Today, we have 32 members present and 6 guests. Gifts were presented to the guests.

Names were drawn for the centerpieces. Winners were: Lorie Reece, Carol Rufkahr, Jean Wideman, Cindy Rupp, Sharon Hall, Lovella Mauer, and Dixie Reeb. Door prize winners were: Lorie Reece, Lee Zimmer, Josee Laferriere, Donna Wessel, and Jo Lair. Also, a special t-shirt, beautifully painted on the front by Gloria Falk, was presented to Donna Wessel and Jean Rogenhofer. A message was painted on the back on each shirt and story was told by Gloria.

The Nominating Committee candidates for next year's offices are: president – Gloria Falk, Vice President – Jim Lair, Membership Secretary – Jo Lair, Treasurer – Donna Wessel, Program Chair – Lorie Reece, Secretary – possibly Jean Rogenhofer or Joyce Miller. Newsletter position is open as Liz Geers is resigning from this position due to health reasons. Josee Laferriere was nominated to fill this position, but she was not sure she wanted to take this office again. No other nominations were received

Mary Jo Kumer, our last year's recipient, is chairing the Gold Brush Award Committee. Forms are available for this year's nominations.

October 19th is the next newsletter deadline.

Donna Wessel mentioned that we still have some chapter jewelry for sale.

Jean Ellison, our Refreshment Chair, was not able to be here today due to water in her basement. Refreshments were furnished by: Judy Dodson, Mary Jo Kumer, Josee Laferriere, Barb Ogden, and Judy Sloan. Thanks, Ladies!

The Secret Pal Pins were passed out to all those that participated in the "Secret Pin Pal" Exchange.

An auction will be held after the meeting. All those who want to participate should sign up and get a card with their number on it.

Cookbooks from the Illinois Chapter are available for sale today. The cost is \$13.00, but will soon cost \$15.00.

With no further business, Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to adjourn and this was seconded by Carol Rufkahr. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Rogenhofer, Recording Secretary

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.



Treasurer's Note regarding the September Meeting Auction ~

As stated on previous occasions, Gateway is home to many talented and generous members. September's auction to benefit the Memory Box Program only served to confirm the point. The Board sincerely appreciates and thanks each member who contributed over 40 individual and sets of painted and unfinished pieces for the auction. Our own inimitable auctioneer, Mary Jo Kumer, and her faithful "Vanna" sidekick, aka Lorie Reece, proved to be an unbeatable combination in showcasing the items and soliciting bids. Some of our guests, as well as our members, really got into the swing of things and a rollicking good time was had by all. I am pleased to announce that the auction raised \$636 for the Program.

In addition to the above, Larry Fricke donated numerous books and brushes from Marilyn's collection to the chapter. The sale of these items will also benefit the Memory Box Program. Proceeds from brushes (\$292.50); books (\$210.00); and an additional guest donation (\$5) gave us \$507.50 more, for a whopping grand total of \$1,143.50.

Thanks to everyone who helped to make this event a rousing success. You're the greatest!

Donna



Checklist For November Meeting

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

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2008

Nominating Committee
Cheryll Wilburn

Refreshments
Jean Ellison

Gold Brush Award Mary Jo Kumer

LibrarianBarb Ogden

Historian Marilyn Hartnett

SPECIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2008

Christmas Party
Lorie Reece

Memory Boxes and Charity

Mary Jo Kumer Gloria Falk

WebmasterJosee Laferriere



Eleventh Annual Artists

"HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE"

Featuring a unique display of hand-made items, Crafts and Gifts.

FRIDAY NOV. 7, 2008 7 a.m. – 8 p.m. SATURDAY NOV. 8, 2008 7 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Amber Meadows Subdivision Display
Hwy 70, exit at Bryan Rd., 1.7 miles south to
subdivision entrance on the left.
Cash & checks accepted

We are not set up to take credit cards.
Portion of total sales will be given to:
A WOMENS CENTER for abused Women and Children
Event Supporter: Rolwes Homes.
BRING A FRIEND

For more information call: Gloria Falk at 636-561-0612 **Bring this ad with you to enter a "Special Drawing".**

Former Gold Brush Award Recipients

- 1987 Joycelynn Smutz
- 1988 Judi Krause
- 1989 Bonnie Stout
- 1990 Gerry Klein
- 1991 Bobbie Gray
- 1992 Arlene Siebert
- 1993 Barb Ogden
- 1994 Carolyn Bacon
- 1995 Jeanne Abraham
- 1996 Annette Dozier
- 1997 Gloria Falk
- 1998 Jan Rosenburg
- 1999 Mary Jane Jett
- 2000 Ellen Rohne
- 2001 Ruth Ann Thompson
- 2002 Toni Dosser
- 2003 Debbie Christenson
- 2004 Laura Heathcote
- 2005 Mary McDevitt
- 2007 Mary Jo Kumer



If you haven't put in a Nomination for a fellow member to receive this year's Gold Brush Award, the November meeting is your last chance, to honor a fellow member who has contributed to the success of Gateway Decorative Artists.

The Gold Brush Award

What: The Gold Brush Award is the highest honor bestowed upon a Chapter member. 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 year) and is a once in a lifetime honor. The award is presented at the December Christmas Party Meeting without prior announcement of the recipient.

How: To nominate someone for this high honor, fill out the form below. The Committee 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: _____

į	Official Ballot GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTIST Elections of Officers for 2008 Please vote for only one person per position by placing an X in the box.	
	Vice President: Jim Lair Write in: Membership Chairman: Jo Lair	
	Write in: Recording Secretary: Jean Rogenhofer	
	Write In: Treasurer:	
I	Donna Wessel	
	Write In	
	Newsletter Editor: Write in:	
\	Write In:	

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

If you find you will not be able to attend the November meeting Please send in your request immediately for an Absentee Ballot.
Address it to: Cheryll Wilburn at 410 English Manor Drive,
Wentzville, MO 63385 - be sure to include a Self-addressed stamped envelope.

Your national dues need to go directly to SDP

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Chapter Meeting

November 9, 2008 Sunday: 1:00 P.M. At Maryland Heights Center Door Opens at 12:00

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