

Gateway Gazette

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Refreshments

Vada Galvan, Jeanette Bishop, Wanda Webb, Judy Mayo, Laura Mayo, Barbara Stanfield, Liz McClintock

Mary Jo Kumer—Soda,

Gateway Chapter Meeting

Sunday, April 14, 2013

**Maryland Heights Community Center
 2344 McKelvey Road, Maryland Heights, Mo.
 314 738-2599**

Meeting Starts at 1:00 p.m. Doors open at 12:00



Directions from I-270

**Dorsett Rd. west
 McKelvey Rd. right
 Ameling Rd. right
 McKelvey Rd. left**

Stay after the chapter meeting to paint this acrylic Sun taught by Ginger German. You will need a large angle brush, liner brush, and a #4 Flat or Filbert.



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Chapter Schedule of Events

April 2 Memory Box Paint-In with Donna Lindell Bank

April 14 Chapter Meeting Maryland Heights

May 13-18 SDP Convention St. Charles, IL

June 9 Chapter Meeting Maryland Heights

June 22-24 Tina Sue Norris Seminar Holiday Inn Express

September 8 Chapter Meeting Lindell Bank

September 7,8,&9 Della Wetterman Seminar
Holiday Inn Express-Earth City

October 4-6 Retreat Trout Lodge, MO

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If you have anything to pass on to the Chapter, such as news of an illness, congratulations, etc. contact an area rep or your Membership Chairman, Cheryll Wilburn

Standing Committee Chairs 2013

Nominating Committee

Refreshments Debbie Finklang
Gold Brush Award Cheryll Wilburn
Librarian Barb Ogden
Historian Marilyn Hartnett
Ways and Means Nancy Falk
Parliamentarian

Special Committee Chairs

Christmas Party Barb Ogden
Memory Box Program Gloria Falk
Mary Jo Kumer
Webmaster Josée Laferriere

Join us on April 2 to
Paint Memory Boxes taught by
Donna Wessel
Lindell Bank in St. Peters, MO



News from your President



Hi Y'all!!!

Hope everyone has been healthy and staying warm. I would really like to see everyone's smiling faces at the next meeting! The spring flowers are peaking out so if they can so can you. I look forward to seeing all the smiling faces.

With all this crummy weather, I hope everyone has had time to get their retreat projects done so that we have a lot to choose from. I of course still am in the process of figuring out what to paint! I would actually like to take this year and not teach so I am hoping everyone else is turning in a project!

I can't wait to paint Ginger's project after the meeting on Sunday. He is such a cute little guy! Can't help but make you smile. Everyone come ready to paint and support our chapter project and Ginger. She is always so delightful to learn from.

Also, don't forget to bring those \$\$\$dollar\$\$\$\$bills for our 50/50 raffle. I might actually win something this year. LOL.

The SDP convention will be here before you know it. They have asked the chapter to paint table placemats and favor which Gloria has graciously accepted to chair. She will be bringing the pieces to show us. I am sure she will let us know, for those of you who have graciously accepted to paint, where and when the pieces can be completed.

Please remember to bring your charity donations for the charity or charities of your choice. Please no hard bind books for the USO. Also, remember to put your name in the booklets as giving donations. I am very happy to see the interest in the upcoming seminars and sharing workshops. Barb has done a wonderful job with the teachers and projects. KUDO's Barb! Also thanks to Sandra Reynolds and Barb for their time to teach the sharing workshops.

Happy Birthday to all the lovely women who have celebrated or will be celebrating their birthdays!. I hope you all enjoy your special day. We are only getting younger! Also, big thanks to Elizabeth McClintock for volunteering to be the Parliamentarian along with Bonnie Heggemann and Jackie Fowler to volunteer for our Refreshment Committee. I know everyone appreciates it and will be more than willing to help them if needed.

Thank you to our Ways and Means committee, Gloria, Donna, Debbie, Cheryl and Nancy for all their hard work and personal time involved. It sounds as if the committee has had a great response to their projects. What a great job you all are doing in spreading the Painting Word!

I would also like to remind everyone that Sandra Reynolds is running at SDP as Board Member at Large. I am sure that Sandra's passion and commitment for the arts will make her a perfect fit for SDP. It takes someone special to give their time to support us. Let's show her our support by voting for her. It will be a privilege to have one of our own on the board. Remember if you are not going to the Convention, please turn in your absentee ballot.

Without our members help and commitment we could not make the Society or this chapter work. Thanks to everyone that contributes their time and energy in keeping SDP and Gateway up and running.

Lorie



Vice-President News Desk

Where have all the warm days gone? It's hard to believe that spring will be on us soon, bringing bright sunny days. The sounds of the birds chirping and the flowers blooming bring inspiration and creativity into our lives. Spring reminds us that we can renew, rejoice in life's beauty and start anew. Just the same as the blooms can pop-up and start fresh each new year, so can we. I'm ready to push forward on those New Year's resolutions. How 'bout you?

Plans for the 2013 Retreat are coming along nicely. Lots of ideas are being tossed around for the Safari. It should be a Rip-Roarin' time, a wide variety of projects, entertainment and as always, memory boxes to paint and an absolutely beautiful view of Sunnen Lake at the YMCA Trout Lodge.

View out of the meeting room windows



Picture off the bedroom's back deck.



Teachers, please remember to bring your project(s) to the April meeting in a pillowcase and if you cannot attend the meeting, arrange to have someone else bring it.

If anyone wants a color booklet for retreat, the cost will be \$2.00 each. Please give me your name and pay Donna in advance.

The dates for the **2013 Creative Art Safari Retreat are Oct. 4-6**, so mark your calendars. Trout Lodge is absolutely beautiful in the fall. What better inspiration for painting. Bring a friend and join in on the fun.

If you have not already booked your room(s), make sure and tell them that you are with the Gateway Decorative Artists group to receive the discount. See you at the April meeting.

Debbie Finklang, V.P.

News from our Program Chair



Spring is almost here and I for one can hardly wait!

Lots of exciting programs planned for our Chapter this year and even some Seminars set for 2014.

Tina Sue Norris will be here June 22, 23, and 24. She will be teaching three pieces done in colored pencils and there is still room left in all three days. This seminar is being held at the Holiday Inn Express, Maryland Heights.



Our second Seminar will be with Della Wetterman on September 7, 8, and 9. She is teaching two pieces in acrylics and the surfaces are tin. She has given us permission to paint on our own surfaces too. Again, we will be painting at the Holiday Inn Express, Maryland Heights.

There will be two Sharing Workshops this year. Sandra Reynolds will be doing a piece in oils. Come by the Seminar table to take a look. I will be doing a piece in acrylics, Snowflakes & Winter Kisses. Our Sharing Workshops are \$15 (class fee) plus the cost of supplies. Both of the Workshops will be held at Quality Testing.

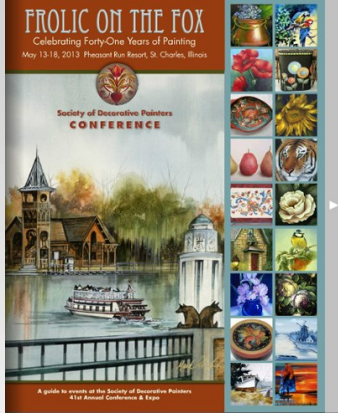
Mark Polomchack is scheduled for May 3, 4, and 5, 2014 and Sherry Nelson is scheduled for September 26, 27, and 28. Mark your calendars for both of these great teachers. We will not start selling these Seminars until later in the year.

Our program for Sunday is being presented by Ginger German. She is painting in acrylics on an MDF surface. Stay and paint!

Barb

Registration Form is on the next page.

BIRTHDAY WISHES!



It's time to
make your

plans to attend Frolic on the Fox, SDP's 41st International Conference and Expo to be held in St. Charles, Ill., May 13-18, 2013! [Conference registration is now open.](#)

Have you looked through the [Conference Special](#) to pick your classes and plan your schedule? Available now at decorativepainters.org, this is your guide to all things Conference, including class and event listings.

APRIL	
Janie Parisi	15th
Jo Lair	26th
Lida Gillham	28th
Linda Lewis	30th
MAY	
Gloria Falk	3rd
Joanne Goers	
Peggy Araki	4th
Pat Manlove	11th

Gateway Decorative Artists Program Registration Form



Program _____ Date _____ Date _____ Date _____

Class Fee _____ Surface/Supply fee _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Email _____ Amount _____ Cash ___ Check ___

Send to Barbara Ogden, 1424 Cave Springs Estate Drive, St Peters, Mo. 63376
For questions call: 636 928-5503 or email: program@gatewaydecorativeartists.com

Membership Chair News



In your directory please change:
Jean Lindsey's email address to jeanlind@charter.net

Welcome to our new members:

Barb Grofe 314-481-4566
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BGrofe@aol.com

Mary Ann Barr 314 607-4734
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Valley Park, MO. 63088
mabarr221@yahoo.com

We now have 62 members.

Spring Pin Exchange

For those who signed up for the Spring Pin exchange please bring your painted pin to the April meeting. I'd like to thank Barb Ogden for donating a painted jar wrap, painted tool holder, and mystery bags for the attendance prizes.

Get well to Jeanne Abraham on her recent back surgery. Hope you're feeling much better.

Our deepest sympathy to Ellen Rohne and her family on the loss of her step mother and to Joan Love and her family on the loss of her brother-in-law and her son-in-law.

I'm thinking about doing a brown bag painting project next. You would sign up at the June meeting bringing something you would like to have painted- in a plain brown bag with preferably a pattern project in it. (Makes it easier for people like me to do!) You would then bring the finished item to the Sept. meeting to give it to the person in the exchange.

Cheryll Wilburn, Membership Secretary

Barb Ogden will be teaching a workshop on October 26 from 9-5 p.m.

Registration at web site:

decorativeartists.com

Snowflakes

Medium:

Acrylics

Size:

Surface:

Price: \$15.00



Supply cost will be \$20.00.^B

Barb Ogden had 2 Decorative Art Pieces selected into the Pampered Palette Art Exhibition at Society of Decorative Painters Convention.

Congratulations Barb!

She can't show us what they were as it is a blind judging. We will have to wait to see her beautiful work.

BRAG TIME

3 of our members entered projects in the Art is Ageless Art competition held in Missouri.

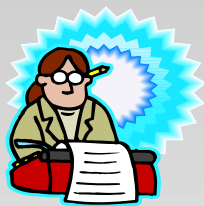
Winners are:

Barb Stanfield received 1st Place
With her colored pencil Lilies
And 2nd place with a portrait of
Her granddaughter.

Jeanette Bishop 2nd with Still Life
in acrylic.

Vada Galvan 2nd for Snowman and Stars
taught at retreat and
2nd place for beautiful apples painted in
genesis oils.





GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS

Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2013

Lorie Reece called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. All board members were in attendance. Ginger German gave the invocation.

Lorie welcomed all members and guests, noting that today's attendance was light. This could possibly be due to this being the cold and flu season.

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

The Chapter needs a Parliamentarian, as Ingrid Oertli is resigning. Liz McClintock volunteered to be our Parliamentarian.

We also need a volunteer for Refreshment Chair. It was decided that two people could take this position and take care of the paper products, cups, plates, utensils, table cloths, etc. Bonnie Heggemann and Jackie Fowler volunteered.

Lorie asked if everyone would prefer to just serve light snacks such as cookies, cakes and chips at the meetings instead of a luncheon. After a vote was taken, it was half the group voting for just desserts and half voting for the meals. It was decided to let the group that signed up for refreshments at the meeting to determine if they wanted to just supply desserts or to provide a meal. However, they should put a note in the Newsletter as to what they were going to serve so that people could eat lunch first if we were not going to serve a meal. Vada's group has signed up for the April meeting and they will be serving lunch.

It is time for our Chapter to conduct an internal audit. Last time, those on that committee were Janie Parisi, Kay Vuichard and Debbie Finklang. Kay advised that she would prefer not to be on the Audit Committee this year, so Gloria Falk volunteered to be on the committee.

The Gold Brush Committee needs two volunteers from the general membership that did not serve last year. Millie Johnson and Vada Galvan volunteered. At the board meeting, Jean Rogenhofer was selected to represent the Board and Lorie Reece was selected as an alternate in Jean's absence. Ellen Rohne was selected to represent a previous Gold Brush Recipient and Barb Ogden was selected as an alternate in Ellen's absence. The Gold Brush Chair is Cheryll Wilburn, who was last year's Gold Brush Recipient.

As in previous years, the Board recommended we donate \$125.00 to the SDP Foundation, \$100.00 to the Museum, and \$35.00 to DAC to honor the Gold Brush Recipient. Kay Vuichard made a motion to donate \$125.00 to SDP and this was seconded by Millie Johnson. Motion passed. Gloria Falk made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Museum which was seconded by Bonnie Heggemann. Motion passed. Vada Galvan made a motion to donate \$35.00 to DAC, seconded by Maureen Wasserman. Motion passed.

Our charities will remain the same as last year: The Memory Box Program, the Women's Shelter, River Bend Animal Shelter, PALS Animal Shelter and the USO.

Service Awards were given out to those people that have helped the chapter during the last year and were not at the Christmas Party to receive them.

Debbie Finklang gave a report on Retreat. This year, the theme will be "Creative Arts Safari". Those submitting projects for Retreat should bring them to the April meeting in a white plastic bag or a pillowcase so that no one can see who brought what in. The votes for Retreat projects will be counted that same day by an independent committee and the selected teachers will be notified that same day. This year, the "make-it-take-its" will also be voted on at the April meeting and should be submitted in the same manner as the Retreat projects. Again, the votes will be tallied and teachers will be notified that same day. When a person signs up for Retreat Projects, they will also sign up for the make-it-take-its. Retreat is October 4th, 5th and 6th at the YMCA Trout Lodge. Lodge reservations should be made by June 30th. Retreat Booklets will be on-line. If anyone needs to have a color copy printed, please let Debbie know. The cost will be \$2.00. Debbie has the forms available for anyone interested in teaching.

Barb Ogden reported that Tine Sue Norris will be here on June 22nd, 23rd and 24th for a colored pencil seminar. She will be painting on suede boards, which will cost \$7.00 to \$10.00. The seminar cost is \$55.00 per day.

Della Wetterman will be here for a Seminar on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, September 7th, 8th and 9th. She will be painting on tin and projects are on display. Saturday and Sunday is a two-day project on a tin slant box, which will cost \$28.00. Monday will be painted on a tin plate, which will cost \$20.00. The seminar fee is \$58.00/day.

We will have two Sharing Workshops. Sandra Reynolds will teach one some time in July and Barb Ogden will teach on October 26th. Workshop fees are \$15.00/day. We do not know what Sandra will be teaching yet, but Barb's project is on display and the supply cost will be \$20.00.

Mark Polomchak has agreed to return for another watercolor seminar on May 4, 5 and 6, 2014. His sister has already informed him that she wants to come with him. She said she had a great time with our group. Barb said she is checking with Sherry Nelson for a Seminar in oils in 2014.

Barb informed everyone that she has printed copies of Gateway's "Sharing Workshop & Seminar Policies 2013". Please pick up a copy. Barb also has a sign up sheet for Christmas Party help. Please sign the sheet if you are able to help with something.

Mark Polomchak donated his three teaching paintings to our Chapter. We had each of them framed and these are on display today. We are offering an "Opportunity of Ownership" at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. We will have the first drawing when we reach \$100.00 to cover our cost. The winner will then choose which of the 3 paintings they would like. Then, we will have another "Opportunity of Ownership" for another of his paintings.

Cindy Connoley will have the program after the meeting. She will have a demo on jewelry items that she makes. She will also have some items for sale for those interested.

Mary Jo Kumer gave a report on Memory Boxes. We shipped 645 boxes last year. We are always in need of boxes to paint. JoAnn's has a set of 3 boxes and you can use their coupon for a discount price. They will also accept Michael's coupons. Sets of boxes can be ordered when JoAnn's shelves are empty. You can use your coupon and pay for them when ordered and they will call you when they come in. Since 2001, we have shipped 6,842 boxes. We invite everyone to come to our Memory Box Paint-Ins on the first Tuesday of the month at Lindell Bank in St. Peters. Ginger German is scheduled to teach the March paint-in and Donna Wessel will be teaching in April. The hospitals we support locally are: Lake St. Louis, De Paul and Cardinal Glennon.

Mary Jo Kumer showed the many beautiful painted items brought in for Show and Tell.

Cheryll Wilburn reminded everyone to check their 2013 Calendar to make sure the information is correct. We have 61 members. Our dues are \$20.00 per year, To be a member of our chapter, you also have to join National, whose dues are \$50.00 per year, but you get four great magazines per year and an invitation to their annual Conference and Trade Show. We have 29 members present today and 6 guests. A “goodie bag” was given to each guest. Barb Ogden donated all the door prizes today and they were won by: Ginger German, Debbie Christenson, Sandra Reynolds and Jean Rogenhofer. Cheryll said to let her know if a member is ill of if there is a death in the family.

We will have a “Spring Pin Exchange”. If you are interested, please sign up and you will be given the name of someone to make a pin for. These pins should be brought to the April meeting.

Sandra Reynolds reminded everyone to submit something for the “Brag Page” in the Newsletter. She said we need to thank the teachers who taught the “Learn to Paint” classes. We now have a Facebook page and will be posting pictures from our meetings, classes, etc. on the web page. Go to Gateway Decorative Artists/Facebook. The next Newsletter deadline will be March 18th.

We collected \$85.00 from our first 50/50 drawing, which means \$42.50 will go towards the Memory Box Program and \$21.25 for each winner. The two winners were: Bonnie Heggemann and Jeanne Abraham. A birdhouse was donated by Sandra and her neighbor, who makes these birdhouses, and the winner of the birdhouse was Gloria Falk.

Sandra made an announcement that she is a candidate for Board Member at Large at SDP. She would appreciate your vote. If you are not able to attend the Conference, you can mail in an absentee ballot. Check the Decorative Painter for form, instructions and mailing deadline.

Donna Wessel advised that she has donated some VCR tapes to the chapter and these are available for \$2.00 each. She also has three SDP shirts, donated by Cheryll Wilburn; two for \$7.00 each and one for \$5.00. Cheryll has also donated lots of old painting books that are free. Donna mentioned that our cash flow is dwindling. If you look at the Treasurer’s Report, you will see that our expenses last year were in the vicinity \$14,000, but our income was only \$12,000. Our one-year CD is maturing in June and maybe we should put this into our checking account. Our room rental has gone up to \$1000 per year and with 62 members, this doesn’t leave much left over for other expenses. Our chapter needs to grow.

Gloria gave a report on the Ways and Means Committee. We have had five “Learn to Paint” classes so far. There was an average of 23 to 25 people in each class. We will have more “Level 2 Learn to Paint” classes in which we will be charging a fee. The first five classes were free. We had men, women and children show interest in these classes. We have also scheduled some wine glass paint-ins. We have at least four people interested in other classes and possibly joining our chapter.

We would like to thank Gloria Falk and Janie Parisi for making the centerpieces for today’s meeting.

Lorie mentioned that she has some SDP “Frolic on the Fox “ patterns if anyone is interested.

Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Joan Love. The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Rogenhofer
Recording Secretary

Level 2 - Social Art Working

"Learn to Paint"



Watercolor
April 6 1-5pm

*Let us show you how to
unleash your creative side.*

*You DO NOT need to know
how to draw to
Learn to Paint.*



Color Pencil
March 16 1 - 5pm

March 2 & 16, April 6 & 20 & May 5

Holiday Inn Express

13735 Riverport Drive • Maryland Heights, MO 63043

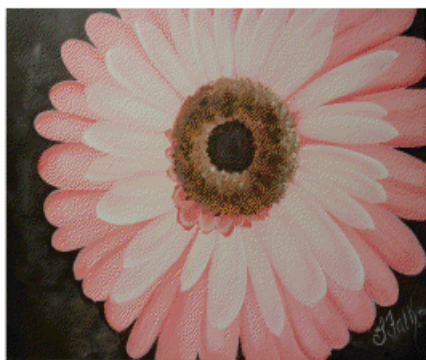
314-298-3400

Space is limited & registration is required. Classes are \$15 each and it includes all supplies.

Call Gloria to register at 636-561-0612 or email her at : arttouch@aol.com



"Bon Appetite" Table Mat
May 5 - 1-5pm



Acrylic's on Canvas - Gerber Daisy
March 2 1-5 pm



Acrylics
April 20 - 1-5pm



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GOOD TIMES WERE ROLLING AT OUR FEBRUARY MEETING



Your Vote Counts

Even if you can't attend our National Convention in May you can still vote by absentee ballot for all candidates that have been selected by the Nominating Committee to fill vacated offices.

The instructions and ballot are on the next page. Look it over and submit your ballot post-marked no later than April 8.

Be sure to put your membership # on the front of the envelope and mark it absentee ballot.

As your newsletter editor, I would be very Honored to represent our chapter as a Board Member-At Large for SDP. I am very dedicated to any task or job that I am assigned to. I would love to be a part of helping implement new ideas and overcome challenges as part of the board.

I was surprised and thrilled that I was chosen by the National Nominating Committee and look forward to new opportunities if I am elected. I would appreciate your vote.



BOARD MEMBER-AT-LARGE CANDIDATE Sandra Reynolds

Waterloo, Illinois

Years with SDP: 6

Number of SDP Conferences attended: 1

SDP Involvement (past and present):

SDP conference in 2009; completed Part I of the TDP, Freedom Cards.

Chapter Affiliation:

Gateway Decorative Artists, St. Louis, Mo.

Chapter Involvement:

Newsletter editor, workshop teacher, Nominating Committee and board member. Participated in monthly Memory Box paint-ins; Paint for Freedom cards; SDP gift tags; chapter workshops, Paint-in teacher and Seminars. Raised money for the Memory Box program through a fundraiser with Avon.

How will your qualifications be used to fulfill the requirements of this position?

I have a passion for art and teaching. My thirty-five years of corporate business experience in sales and marketing has prepared me to meet challenges and deadlines. I am very dedicated to any task that I take on, implementing my creativity and positive attitude toward the projects and positions that I have been a part of.

Goals and vision for the Society:

My vision for SDP is to bring more recognition to all artists and would-be artists, and the diverse services that our organization can provide through educational learning, so that decorative art does not become a lost art. We need to find a way to educate the public that we exist by utilizing all facets of our technological world to educate others interested in learning decorative art. In addition we need to educate others about SDP, what we do, what we stand for, and where they can find us in their geographical vicinity, in order to build more members willing to learn and teach what they have been taught.

How do you see your role as board member-at-large as it relates to the membership?

As a board member, my goal would be to look at the organization as a whole and apply the passion, skills, and positive attitude that I have to our membership, to help increase membership and develop steps to grow the organization through bringing in young people who will be the building block of our art form. Encourage others to be teachers to pass on the passion of art in the world. In order to carry out this position, one has to be a good listener and have the ability to pass on thoughts and ideas; be a good organizer, communicator, and leader; and improve relationships with chapters. My vast experience in business and life has taught me how to go about achieving goals.



2013 Election

As a member of SDP, you have a right to participate in the selection of your leaders. Take part in this democratic process and exercise your voting power. You no longer need to request an absentee ballot. In order to make the voting process easier for those who cannot attend the 2013 SDP Annual Meeting, May 15, 2013 (or for those wishing to vote in advance), the ballot is now posted in *The Decorative Painter* magazine, and in the Members Only section of the SDP website at DECORATIVEPAINTERS.ORG. This year's official ballot appears below, and the voting process is simple.

STEP 1: Read the nominee bios and Q&As on the following pages to familiarize yourself with the candidates and their platforms.

STEP 2: Photocopy the ballot, print the ballot from the website, or tear out this page.

STEP 3: Mark your choices on the ballot.

STEP 4: Insert your ballot in an envelope and mail to: SDP: Absentee Ballot, 393 N. McLean Blvd., Wichita, KS 67203-5968. Note: You MUST write your SDP membership number on the outside of the envelope to have your vote count.

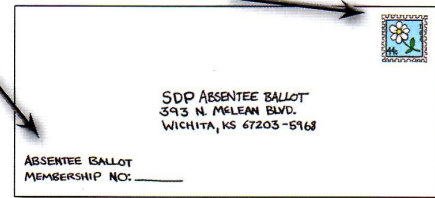
STEP 5: Mail your ballot by April 8, 2013. All ballots must be postmarked no later than April 8, 2013, to count.

IMPORTANT VOTING INFORMATION

- If you are attending the 2013 SDP Annual Meeting, show your membership card at the entrance to the meeting hall. The meeting will take place from 9 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, May 15, 2013, in the St. Charles Ballroom at the Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, Ill. Ballot distribution will begin at 8 a.m.
- If you are not able to attend the meeting, or if you wish to vote in advance, simply fill out and send in the ballot below. Please follow all instructions to make sure your vote counts.
- Vote for the following: vote for one 2013-2014 vice president/president-elect; one 2013-2015 secretary; three 2013-2015 board members-at-large; and three 2013-2014 Nominating Committee members.
- You must be in attendance at the 2013 SDP Annual Meeting to vote on the proposed bylaw and standing rule amendments.

Attach correct postage.

Membership number must be written on the outside of your envelope.



Only one ballot per member is allowed. Photocopied ballots will be accepted. Membership number must be written on the outside of your envelope. Attach correct postage.

In recent years, the Nominating Committee has had increasing difficulty obtaining qualified candidates for the office of vice president/president-elect. This year we are submitting only one name. If you know of potential qualified candidates you may submit a write-in vote for a nominee. We will accept nominations from the floor prior to the balloting at the 2013 SDP Annual Meeting at Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, Ill.

Consenting to run for the office of vice president/president-elect is a three-year commitment. The winning candidate vice president/president-elect office serves as vice president/president-elect the first year, the second year as president, and the third year as past president. The duties and requirements are outlined in the bylaws as follows: All nominees shall have been members in good standing for not less than three (3) years immediately preceding the time of election. The nominee for vice president/president-elect shall act in the absence of the president; shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors; and

shall succeed the office of president at the conclusion of the president's term of office, or in the event of a vacancy in the office.

The president shall preside at all meetings of the members, Board of Directors and Executive Committee; shall coordinate activities of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee; shall be an ex-officio member at all committees except the Nominating and Awards Committees; and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may assign or which in general pertain to this office.

If you plan to make a write-in or a floor nomination at the 2013 SDP Annual Meeting, please verify that the candidate meets the necessary qualifications and obtain the nominee's consent to be nominated prior to the meeting.

Thank you,
Kaye Singer
Nominating Committee Chair

2013 SDP ABSENTEE BALLOT

VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

(CHOOSE ONE)

Pat Marler

_____ (write in)

SECRETARY

(CHOOSE ONE)

Allison Leeds

Leah Luper

BOARD MEMBER-AT-LARGE

(CHOOSE THREE)

Patsy Hanek

Toni Hoffer

Char Peterson

Sandra Reynolds

Linda Sharp CDA

Kathy Swigon CDA

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBER

(CHOOSE THREE)

Karen Black

Kim Falk

Sharon Buononato CDA

Antonio (Toni) Girten





WAYS n' MEANS - LEARN TO PAINT

Just a quick report on our endeavor of trying to get the word out there that there is a local Decorative Painting Chapter in Greater St. Louis.

We are now offering Level 2 Art Classes, where the participants have to pay \$15 for each class. The attendance numbers are lower in these classes than in the FREE ones we offered. But then we suspected that would be the case going into this. I think we all agree this has been very successful for Gateway.

I have had my canvas class and Nancy has taught her colored pencil design. Cheryll will be teaching watercolor on the 6th of April; Deb will teach an acrylic Welcome Board on the 20th of April; and Donna a table mat on May 5. All have registrants.

We have promoted Gateway through these classes and informed them of other painting opportunities in the area. Hopefully some of the students will be guests at the April meeting.

If anyone would like information on how to get something like this going in your area, please feel free to contact one of us. We will be happy to help you spread the word of Decorative Painting and gain new members to Gateway.

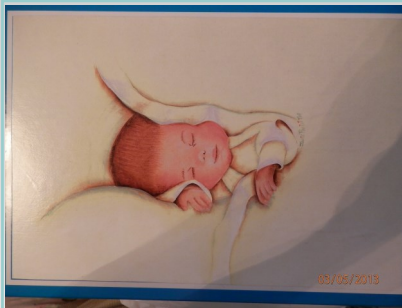
Gloria Falk, Nancy Falk, Deb Finklang, Donna Wessel and Cheryll Wilburn



April 20th, 1-5 p.m. taught by
Debbie Finklang



May 5, 1-5 p.m. taught by
Donna Wessel



Winter was the Season for Painting Beautiful Memory Boxes supplied to Hospital Nurseries for Bereaved Parents.

16 boxes shipped - with a total of 223 MB in them. Janie Parisi has felt bad because she had not helped as much as in the past with the MB (Busy with a growing family)...so she created 217 of these boxes. **Amazing Janie...**



Ginger German taught the Memory Box Paint-In on March 12 and she always has fun stuff for us to try. The gals are doing the embossing of a stamped design added to the boxes.



Marilyn Hartnet was busy the last few months with Memory Boxes also



GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS NOW HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE

To view our site and see what's going on
a an up-to-date basis you can
Connect on line by typing in

www.facebook.com/GatewayDecorativeArtists

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April 2 Memory Box Paint-In
With Donna Wessel



50/50 Drawing

We will have tickets available at
the April Meeting
For our 50/50 drawing
To win 50% of the Jackpot
Split between 2 winners
\$1 per ticket, or 6 for \$5
Tickets available at the
Board Table



BRAG TIME

*This is a picture of a mural
that I was asked to do for one
of my art students. The mural
was for a wall in her kitchen
at her condo down in Destin,
Florida. It covers the whole
wall floor to ceiling. All I
knew was that she wanted
palm trees, so I designed it as
I went along by hand. There
are dolphins swimming in the
ocean which she loved and the
big seagull looks like he is
coming right at you when you
walk in the kitchen. My re-
ward is a week at the condo
for John and me on our own!
Sandra Reynolds*

LEARN TO PAINT CLASSES



Debbie Finklang teaches Acrylic Notebook Cover



Gloria Falk taught the Daisy Social Network



Nancy Falk taught 27 students with her Colored Pencil Calla Lily



GREAT ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Ad	Size	Members		Non-Members	
		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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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.

Contact: Sandra Reynolds at 618-979-2409 or newsletter@gatewaydecorativeartists.com for more information.

Debbie Finklang's Pasta con Broccoli Recipe

Pasta con Broccoli

For a 16 oz pkg of the larger pasta shells, I used
4 oz butter (the healthy stuff does not work!),
1 pint (2 cups) of pure cream,
small jar of sliced mushrooms,
1 oz of tomato sauce (I left it out for Sunday's meeting),
4 oz of shredded parmesan (not the powdered stuff in a shaker) (and I usually use quite a bit more than that if the sauce seems to runny),
2 teaspoons of chopped garlic and
fresh broccoli.

Melt the butter in a sauce pan while you bring a pot of water to a boil for the noodles (I used two pots to get it done faster without sticking). Add the shells once the water is at a fully boil.

Once the butter is melted, add the garlic and lightly brown the garlic on medium heat (this happens quickly so watch it).

Add the cream and bring up to a simmer.

Reduce heat to low and cut all of the stems off of the broccoli.

Add the broccoli to the sauce (use as much as you like, but remember it cooks down).

Drain pasta once it is cooked just to al dente (don't let it get too soft or it gets mushy, which mine started to do on Sunday).

Mix mushrooms, pasta, and sauce together. Cook for a few minutes, then add the parmesan.

Heat it long enough for the parmesan to melt and mix thoroughly.

Add pepper to taste. The parmesan has quite a bit of salt so I usually don't add any extra. It's ready to serve or put in a crockpot to keep warm.

Hope this helps and **DON'T GET YOUR CHOLESTROL CHECKED OR YOUR BLOOD SUGAR** right after eating it! It has everything bad in it but it's oh sooo good.

😊 Enjoy.

Deb

Charity Corner

TURNING POINT WOMEN'S SHELTER

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

Items Needed At Turning Point

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Turning Point Staff

Be sure to tag your donation with the name of the shelter you want to give your donation to. Thanks!

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P.O. Box 462 Troy, MO 63379
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and perches
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Bleach (for cleaning and disinfecting)
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Society of Decorative Painters

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Membership in the Chapter is OPEN ONLY to persons who are dues-paying members to SDP

Name _____ New Member _____ Renewal _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Birth Date _____ SDP Membership # _____ (include copy of SDP card)
Member of other chapters _____

Check all that Apply:

Individual Member _____ Teacher _____ Business Member _____ Name of shop _____

Certification: MDA _____ CDA _____ TDA _____

Preferred Painting Medium: Oil _____ Acrylic _____ Watercolor _____ Other _____

What year did you start painting _____

Favorite Artists _____

Annual Dues are \$20, payable by Dec. 31

Please make check payable to Gateway Decorative Artists

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