

April 2023 Newsletter

President's Message-Ginny Sparlin

Hi Ladies.

Well, I thought Spring had sprung but today I'm not so sure.....(Friday, 14th)

But I have been out working in my yard several days so far, trying to get ahead of the weeds, buffalo grass, etc. How come that grass will grow everywhere, but in my lawn.....?

Hope you're planning to be at the Monday April 17 meeting, Andrene has a really fun project planned for us all. Read more about it further into this newsletter. It's going to be really

fun and easy-peasy!

Deb, Marilyn, and I have been cooking up some really fun projects for our summer paint parties so be sure to watch your newsletter and plan to attend this Summer.

Remember we have an Art Show coming up soon so keep painting, we're anxious to see what you've been up to!!

See you Monday night, 6: pm.

Ginny Sparlin, pres.

Program Report-Deb Poster

Below is the list of everything scheduled for the next few months of 2023. I'd like to add that you may attend the meetings even if you just want to visit and watch. You do not need to do the project to join any of our meetings. We love to visit and snack while painting!! APRIL 17th - our monthly meeting 6pm at Garden Plaza. Andrene (720 840 1255) is showing us how to decoupage a clay flower pot using paper napkins, and we can add painted

embellishments as desired. Her specific prep instructions were in the last newsletter and will be included in this newsletter as well. Please have your clay pot ready to go for Monday night.

MAY 15TH - our monthly meeting 6pm at Garden Plaza. This will be an evening for UFO (unfinished objects). Bring any paint project (no oil paintings please due to allergies) that you just want to finish up. This is always a great way to enjoy painting with friends. We have an art show coming up!

In JUNE we start our SUMMER PAINT PARTIES. These will take the place of Monday night meetings. More specific information will be available in May. We are planning 1 very specific project that will take all three PARTY DAYS (June, July, August) to complete. It is an acrylic pour Sunflower with a resin coating.



We will also have one or two additional projects for fun techniques and finished art pieces! There may be small fees associated with specific projects AND/OR you may be required to bring certain supplies or canvases to work on. You MUST RSVP to Marilyn (303 249 1009 TEXT ONLY OR E-MAIL AT marilyn.corners@gmail.com) as she is hosting these events!! Potluck or?

JUNE 17TH 10am start time to midafternoon.

JULY 15TH 10am start AUGUST 19TH 10am start

JUNE 24TH GARDEN PLAZA 6pm - we are asked again to offer a PAINT & SIP event to the residents and guests of Garden Plaza. Because we have no idea of the number of participants, we hope to have a few of us as volunteers to guide the painting experience. Our sample wine glasses are or will be on display to entice participation. We are offering designs that are not just the dot painting and will have used brushes to offer the participants for simple designs.

JUNE 30TH GARDEN PLAZA 4:30pm - 6pm ART SHOW & SALE with CONCERT at 6pm (we can take down our art if desired). Last year several artists had sales!! we have been given permission to sell ANY arts and crafts we want. If it's painted, we can display and sell it - think flower pots from April project!

JULY 8TH GARDEN PLAZA 2pm - 4pm This family event is another request from Damon. We will have 3 'MAKE & TAKE' tables, each with a different quick project for the residents and their families. We will need specific help at each table. #1 table will be a choice of several small watercolor designs that can be used as desired. #2 table will be a Shrinky Dink wine charm. Oval shape, pre-stamped (several designs available) will be colored with pencils and 'shrunk' using toaster ovens. After shrinking, a jump ring is attached and hung on a special ring. #3 table will be a necklace domino pendant colored with alcohol inks and a few rhinestones glued on. Please let Debbie (720-217-2383 text or call) know which table you would like to volunteer for!!! We expect to need 2 people at each table.

I think it's obvious these Garden Plaza events will continue the positive relationship we have with Garden Plaza. Our talents are very much appreciated!! We have 2 possible all-day Saturdays available for paint seminars. The dates requested by us are SEPT 9TH and OCTOBER 28TH. Mark your calendars for possible paint days. We are working on teachers and projects for one or both of these days.

BACK TO REGULAR MEETING EVENINGS SEPTEMBER 18TH 6pm UFO evening OCTOBER 16TH? Hopefully a fall project NOVEMBER 13TH HOLIDAY PARTY

NOVEMBER 18TH GARDEN PLAZA CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR We are invited to participate either as a group OR as individuals to have free tables at their craft fair. I understand this was not successful once in the past. Damon has assured us his follow thru will be better for advertising. Debbie and Marilyn are probably sharing a table. If desired, Debbie will help you with any tips for pricing, display, etc.

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Monday, April 17, 2023 Program- Andrene Schmelzer

Decoupage a napkin on a 6 inch or a 4-inch terra cotta flower pot or any wood surface of your choice. (I also used a cigar box)

Taught by Andrene. Questions call me at 720-840-1255 Note the 6-inch pot I used came from Walmart and I left it the natural color.

Basic Supplies:

- one pot sealed and based in acrylic colors of your choice.
- You will use the napkin you want to use to determine your colors. The background should be close to the color of the napkins background.

Bring as many napkins as you want, as we can trade with each other, if you want to do additional pots.

- Please bring PVC glue or Elmer's craft glue,
- gesso,
- saran wrap,
- assorted brushes (various flats, liners)
- paper towels,
- tweezers
- varnish of your choice. If you want to decorate the rim, bring dotting tools.

We should have time to also do a greeting card from napkins too, which is not decoupaged, but ironed onto freezer paper (shiny side)

If you have cardstock, please bring that, but I will bring some too. We will use the PVC on this project. I am bringing some napkins that are already ironed onto freezer paper.

See photos in a separate attachment





Sunshine Report- Karon Sorensen

We hope everyone had a great Easter and welcome Spring!



We want to wish the following 7 members wonderful birthdays!



Ginny Sparlin April 6
Debbie Poster April 7
Andrene Schmelzer April 13
Nancy Glassman April 24
Joan Eger April 24
Gina Rehlander April 27
Carmen Owens April 29

Joan Eger sent the group a thank you note:

Please thank everyone for the lovely painting card. It was very kind of you to think of me.

Thank you!

Joan Eger

We need send our deepest condolences to Jan Wells and Linda Beaty. Jan recently lost a son and Linda lost a brother

Hospitality Report-Andrene Schmelzer

Thanks go out to Melinda for bringing treats for the month of March. If anyone can do April, please let Andrene know. 720-840-1255.

Tole Chatter-Melinda Barnes

New Convention!... The big news this week has been the announcement of a new Annual Painting & Craft Expo! It will be June 24-29, 2024 in Chattanooga, TN. Hosted by Painting World Magazine & Viking Woodcrafts. More info will be coming soon. https://apcexpo.net/

DecoArt... New RETIRED COLORS MIXING CHART is now available. One this page you can review the charts available or print them out. https://shop.decoart.com/resources

This is the link to download the PDF.

https://shop.decoart.com/content/Americana-Acrylic-Retired-Colors-Mixing-Chart-20230303.pdf

Dynasty Brushes... You will find many things on their website. Jill (Jillybean) has started a new video series interviewing artists. Maybe your favorite artist will be next. https://dynastybrush.com/

Patty Paints with Fire... This is a fun video Patty Rawlinson made. It was fun to watch and see the wood she burned with a blow torch. There are three videos altogether. https://www.youtube.com/@StudioR12Stencils

Choma... Mixing Green in a Landscape is interesting with a color chart and videos. https://chromaonline.com/atelieracrylic/mixing-green-in-the-landscape/

Kim Christmas... Kim is back designing and running her website. Lots of soft pastels, especially pink in her designs. https://kimchristmas.com/

History... This was posted on Facebook by Tracy Moreau.

"People have been painting for as long as 30,000 years.

Early Cave paintings were drawn with red or yellow ochre, hematite, manganese oxide, and charcoal may have been made by early Homo sapiens as long as 30,000 years ago. These would have been ground to make up a primitive paint substance. Other ingredients used were animal blood and fat."

Did you know....

It wasn't until he was 27 that Vincent Van Gogh started painting. He was self-taught, save for attending art school in Antwerp for just a few months only 4 years before his death. And yet he created over 2000 paintings!!

Tracy has many different free printables and patterns. I love Tracy's "Cow Tags" she has been designing. They are smaller surfaces with a raised cutout which depends on which one you order. There is a rooster, dog, goat, cow horse and more. Tracy also is teaching the pattern free on Facebook or YouTube. She is going to design a cat soon. <yippeee> https://tracymoreau.net/

Artroom2Create... Registration is open for their May Retreat classes. I was pleased to see that "our own" **Paula Leopold** and **Wendy Goldberg** are teaching in this event. You can view their classes and all the others with the link below. https://www.artroom2create.com/category-s/158.htm

Louice Jackson... I saw this class being offered by Louise for \$12. It is a beautiful watercolor flower. There are many classes and some free videos too. https://louisejacksonpaintingclasses.com/course/pink-wildflower-online-painting-class/

Jeanne Downing... Here is Jeanne's fine art website. Beautiful things there! https://www.jeannedowningfineart.com/

Rosanna Zuppardo... Here are some cute patterns, especially snowmen. https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/RosannaZuppardo?page=1#items

Jemima Jameson... This lady is a talented artist and her work is amazing. Take a look at her site, you will love it. Jemima sells cards, paintings and prints on Etsy. https://jjworld.co.uk/

Here is her Etsy shop...

https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/JemimaJamesonArt?ref=search_shop_redirect

Happy Painting!