

# Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter, SDP

Newsletter, September, 2012

## President's Notes:

Hi Everyone,

Today it feels like Fall is definitely arriving. I must admit that I won't be heart broken to no longer have the flowers to tend. This seems like an unusually long summer.....probably because it was so blooming HOT and all the flower pots required twice –a-day watering. At this point everything except geraniums and mums are looking leggy and sad. So, it on to fall and all the gorgeous colors we are able to enjoy, Halloween and Thanksgiving (my favorite holiday!).

Thanks to everyone who helped make our “Lunch with Van Gogh and Friends” luncheon such a great success. We had 37 reservations, with only two no shows and 10 guests, so we had a wonderful crowd. However, we really did miss those of you who were unable to join us. The food was good, decorations were pretty, all the art work was exceptional and the table drawing was fun.

**Melinda Barnes** was the happy winner of the fundraiser table drawing. My sister, **Betty Enderson**, from Colorado Springs, was the winner of the “Witch's Hat” for selling the most tickets.....**200!** The total proceeds from ticket sales was **\$411**. Thank you so much to each person who bought and/or sold tickets. We will use the money judiciously for growing our chapter and educating the community about Decorative Painting.

I am thrilled to announce that we have Five new members. **Sherry Flowers** and **Cynthia Murphy** joined our chapter at the luncheon. **Sharon Campbell** joined earlier this month. **Debbie Lancaster** and **Sheri Sutton** joined last week. Welcome Ladies. We are so happy to have you as members. As “older” members, let's make it a point to make these new members feel welcome at our meetings and seminars. I am so happy to have them as we strive to increase our membership. I expect our membership to increase more in the near future. We are such a great

group of ladies with a real and vibrant passion for decorative painting, who wouldn't want to join in on all the fun?!

Hugs,

## **Marilyn Corners**

### **Art Show Report:**

Art Show 2012 Report

A MILLION THANKS for the wonderful help from **Melinda Barnes, Iris Luckel and Ginny Sparlin** who helped our art show work smoothly!

There were four (4) Teachers who submitted beautiful art to 12 categories. There were ten (10) Student/Members who submitted their special pieces to 14 categories. The entries were all especially lovely and interesting.

The following were winners of ribbons:

Teacher:Art Show:

- 1) Landscape - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 2) Rosemaling - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 3) Decorative - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 4) Folk Art - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 5) Floral/Fruit - **Char Bucher** 1st; **Marilyn Corners** 2nd
  - 6) Animals & Birds - **Ginny Sparlin**
  - 7) Pastels or Pencil - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 8) Watercolor - **Marilyn Corners & Char Bucher** - tied
  - 9) Mixed media - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 10) Holiday - **Marilyn Corners**
  - 11) Fabric/Wearable Art - No entries
  - 12) Mini - **Ruth Lamb** - cards
  - 13) Pen & Ink - No entries
  - 14) Portrait - No entries
  - 15) Original Designs - **Marilyn Corners**
- Teacher Best of Show - **Marilyn Corners** for both Original Design & Holiday Categories

Student/Member Art Show:

- 1) Landscape - **Verlene Siska** 1st; **Sue Hoover** 2nd
- 2) Rosemaling - **Elissa McAlear**
- 3) Decorative - 3 way tie for 1st - **Iris Luckel, Andrene Schmelzer, Elissa McAlear;**  
2nd **Ruth Owens**
- 4) Folk Art - **Melinda Barnes**
- 5) Floral/Fruit - **Sue Hoover** 1st; **Verlene Siska** 2nd
- 6) Animals & Birds - **Pat Greene** 1st; **Verlene Siska** 2nd
- 7) Pastels or Pencil - **Pat Greene** 1st; **Elissa McAlear** 2nd
- 8) Watercolor - **Pat Greene**

- 9) Mixed media - **Pat Greene** 1st; **Melinda Barnes** 2nd
  - 10) Holiday - **Pat Greene** 1st; **Sue Hoover** 2nd
  - 11) Fabric/Wearable Art - No entries
  - 12) Mini - **Sue Hoover** 1st; **Melinda Barnes** 2nd
  - 13) Pen & Ink - **Andrene Schmelzer**
  - 14) Portrait - **Kathy Kula** 1st; **Pat Greene** 2nd
  - 15) Original Designs - **Sharon Campbell** 1st; **Elissa McAlear** 2nd
- Student/Member Best of Show - **Pat Greene** for Holiday entry

Thank you, **Pat and John Greene** for bringing the additional tables that provided more display space. Watch the website for pictures!

Everyone who brought entries made the Art show possible and I THANK YOU ALL! If you have any suggestions for next year to make things better, do not hesitate to let me know so we may make appropriate changes by January. We may eliminate the categories that had no entries unless you let me know you'd like to keep them. With my great appreciation,

**Elissa McAlear**, Art Show Chair 303.421.8714

### **Secretary's Report:**

On September 14, 2012 our annual Art Show and luncheon was held at the Summit restaurant in Aurora, at 11:30am.

President **Marilyn Corners** thanked her sister **Betty, Melinda Barnes**, and the board for helping with the art show this year.

The slate of officers was presented, to be voted on at the October meeting. Marilyn reminded all present, that there are at least three vacancies: newsletter editor, Historian, publicity.

Our library display will be at the Ross-University Hills library on Amherst, between Bellaire and Birch, ( behind Michaels in U.Hills Shopping Center). There will be a reception on Oct. 9, from 6 to 8pm. Any member having pieces to display was asked to bring them to the Charles Danford seminar on Saturday Sept. 22. The display may have to be rotated during October because of limited display space.

Seminars: **Melinda Barnes** passed around examples of the type of embossed paper box which Kathy Read will be teaching on Oct. 20. from 10am to 2:pm. at Gander Mountain. Supplies will be provided, except we need to bring our own pair of scissors and our brushes. Cost of the seminar is \$35.00 for members and \$45.00 for non members.

Membership: **Elissa McAlear** reminded any non members present, that if they joined our group, the cost of the seminar would be less. She has membership forms and reminded everyone, dues are \$20.00 for local and \$50.00 for National, and to be sure to include your email address on the forms. Also, for the first time member, the dues for National include a "Beginners Kit", valued at approximately \$50.00.

National is trying to enlist younger members from 16 to 26 years of age, with a special, non-voting membership, for \$30.00. This level of membership would include an on line only subscription for the Decorative Painter magazine, and the ability to join local chapters, plus the ability to apply for certification.

Members were asked to write to National online and let them know what they think of this idea.

Elissa explained the color code for voting in the art show, as she passed out the ballots, members only are allowed to vote.

We had two volunteers for the next year's board! **Andrene Schmelzer** volunteered to do Publicity; **Linda Bierman** volunteered to do Ways and Means.

Marilyn reminded everyone to donate \$1.00 per ticket for the chance to win her hand painted table.

The little paintings at each of our place settings are frig magnets for us to take home, and the pens have our website address on them.

The winner of the drawing for the painted table is **Melinda Barnes!!**

Meeting adjourned, 12:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Ginny Sparlin**

**Membership:**

Hi Ladies,

***It is time to renew your membership!*** You have until December 1st, same as for your National renewal deadline.

The Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter dues remain at \$20 for the coming year.

You need to complete an application when you submit your form so we have all of the information correctly listed. This saves a lot of corrections later.

We'll be trying to get the 2013 directory out in January rather than February, so your help in getting your information in quickly will be appreciated.

Checks need to be made out to: Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter, either turn in at a meeting or mail to: 6501 Welch Court, Arvada, CO 80004

Questions? Please call Elissa 303.421.8714

To join National online, go to [www.decorativepainters.org/membership.php](http://www.decorativepainters.org/membership.php).

Thank you,  
**Elissa McAlear**

**Seminars:**

Signups and checks are due a month before each seminar. Twenty (20) seats are for each seminar so get your check in to Char Bucher quickly as each of the following seminars are already filling rapidly. Char will have details for you when you send your check to her. Bring your lunch.

These seminars are held at Gander Mountain at 14000 E. Jewell and Abilene, Aurora.

1) Saturday, October 20th from 10-4 is Kathy Reed from Holly Berry in Colorado City with an adorable paper sculpture for \$35 - all materials are included except scissors which you'll need to bring.

2) Saturday, November 3rd from 10-4 is Janet Nunn's hydrus watercolor seminar of a beautiful butterfly and sunflower for \$40.

Non-member fees are \$10 more.

3) Coming on a Saturday in February 2013 will be a colored pencil seminar with Paula Leopold, CDA. More details and signups later.

All these Checks need to be made out to: Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter and mailed to Char Bucher 2253 S Alton Way, Denver, CO 80231 303.368.0851 Please note what the check is for, so Char can get you on the correct list.

Pictures may be seen on our website: <http://RockyMountainHiArtists.com>

\*\*\*\*\***APOLOGY**\*\*\*\*\*

**This September Newsletter is sooo late I feel I must apologize to you. Not that it is any excuse, but I am finishing this up while in SanAntonio where we have been visiting our Grandson, Alec, as he graduated from Air Force Boot Camp. He ships out in the morning for Biloxi and Air Traffic Control School. Please accept my sincere apologies for failing to get this to you in a timely manner. I will do better in October.**

**Hugs,**

**Marilyn**