

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HI CHAPTER **of the Society of Decorative Painters** **November 2015 Newsletter**

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Marilyn Corners' President's Report October 2015



Dear Ones,

This is my final newsletter note to you for 2015. I want to THANK YOU for the opportunity to serve you as President. This has been an extraordinary year in the life of Rocky Mountain Hi, thanks to the immense cooperation, involvement and dedication of you, the members. Your enthusiasm for the programs and events planned by your Board has created a FUN year and I want you to be aware of how very much I appreciate each one of you!! You have made my year as President a wonderful experience.

Please take a moment on the 11th to remember our Veterans who have paid the price to give us this glorious land we are so proud to call home.

I look forward to seeing you at our final meeting of 2015, on Nov. 16th when we enjoy our **Hors d'oeuvre potluck and ornament exchange**. This is one of Rocky Mountain Hi's

most loved traditions. We will also be installing our new slate of officers. See you there with your Christmas bells on. :o)

Have a very Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our RMHi new year begins on January 18th 2016. I am really excited as we plan the wealth of wonderful programs for the New Year. If you have something you particularly want us to do, please contact me. **Have you gotten your dues in to SDP and RMHi?** Must do that!

Hugs,
Marilyn

Ginny Sparlin - 1st Vice President/Program Chairman's Report

As you know the last general meeting of the year is Monday November 16. Remember to bring a plate of snacks to share for the pot luck. We will also be installing the officers of next year's board during this meeting. We are also giving a big basket of homemade cookies to the folks at Garden Plaza, as a thank you for allowing us to have our meetings there, so we are asking each member to bring one dozen cookies in a zip bag, to add to the gift basket. Also, a reminder, if you would like to participate in our annual ornament exchange, be sure to have your painted/decorated ornament wrapped like a little Christmas gift, with your name inside(as the artist, so we know who made it!) These will all be placed on a table, and who ever brings one gets to pick one off the table. As we do not have a general meeting in December, this is our Christmas meeting, so put on your jingle bells and come on down, hope to see you ALL there!! Questions? Call Ginny Sparlin [303-693-0771](tel:303-693-0771)

Pat Greene – 2016 Budget Proposal

INCOME

Membership	\$700.00
Seminars	\$3550.00
Ways and Means	\$3000.00
Luncheon	\$1000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$8250.00

EXPENSES

Newsletter	\$100.00
Seminars	\$3000.00
Membership	\$100.00
Treasurer	\$100.00
Philanthropic/ Outreach	\$600.00
Art Show	\$50.00
Hospitality	\$100.00
Ways and Means	\$410.00

Programs	\$1000.00
Miscellaneous	\$300.00
Web Site	\$240.0
Publicity	\$50.00
Luncheon	\$1200.00
VP expenses	\$1000.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$8250.00

Respectfully submitted: Patricia Green

Elissa McAlear – Secretary’s Minutes

September

Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter
 General Meeting Minutes
 Friday, September 11, 2015 10:30 to 3:00

The Luncheon and Art Show was held at the First Plymouth Congregational Church, Denver, Colorado. Members and guests were welcomed by President Marilyn Corners.

11:30 A.M. - President Marilyn Corners - The meeting was called to order for a few brief announcements regarding the voting method for the Art Show, the sale of the Cookbooks and the Slate of Officers for elections to be held at the October meeting.

Dues for 2016 may be paid to the Chapter and the Society of Decorative Painters dues are sent to national directly by December 1. Please fill out the applications.

Many Thanks were extended to Ginny Sparlin, Sherry Flowers, Sheri Sutton, Iris Luckel, Marilyn Corners, Nancy Glassman and others who made this all possible! The table decorations and favors were beautiful.

All of those who brought entries were also thanked as it makes for a wonderful lunch and display of fine art work.

Respectfully submitted,
 Elissa McAlear, Recording Secretary

October

Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter
 General Meeting Minutes
 October 19, 2015

Call to Order - Ginny Sparlin, Vice President at 6:40 PM

Minutes - Elissa McAlear - posted for September 11th General Meeting

Treasurer - Pat Greene - Balance is \$6,083.37

Membership - Kathy Beck - 45 members with dues for 2016 due by December 1st.

Newsletter - Verlene Siska - next deadline is noon, Sunday, November 8th.

Ways & Means - Sherry Flowers - Craft Fair at Heather Gardens is Friday and Saturday, October 23 & 24, from 9 to 4 with setup Thursday after 5 PM. There are flyers available and would appreciate helpers to sign up for 2 hour shifts. A second 6' table has been made available for which Sherry will negotiate the fee for this additional table. Cookbooks will be for sale.

There will be an art display in April and May at the Highlands Ranch Library.

Hospitality - Deb Lancaster - Thanks for the goodies brought by Kit Addington, Melinda Barnes, Iris Luckel and Carmen Owens.

November is hors d'oeuvres.

Publicity - Linda Bierman - Additional recipe pages will be available for 2016, so please get together more recipes to submit to her. These will be available for purchasing to add to your book(s).

Local Teacher Seminars - Char Bucher - Deb Lancaster and Char Bucher attended the Aurora Art Club and were impressed with Randy Hale's demonstration of water colors. Ryan Shaff does portraits and may be interested in giving us a program.

Travel Teacher Seminars - Melinda Barnes - Kathie George will be teaching a batik on Friday, April 8th at the First Plymouth Congregational Church. Saturday and Sunday, April 9th & 10th, will be at the Littleton Board of Education Building with the High Plains group using either watercolor or acrylics. The cost is to be determined.

Facilities - Iris Luckel - the meeting dates for 2016 have been set.

Sunshine - Karon Sorensen - has sent out several cards.

Outreach - Nancy Glassman - March 2016 is scheduled for display at Solid Grounds, Caley and Broadway. Paintings may be for sale. Details later.

Make-It-Take-It for residents will be tiles and dominoes.

Saturday, November 21st, 1:30-3:30 has been set up at Garden Plaza.

Art Show - Elissa McAlear - THANK YOU to all who helped, participated and came for the success of the Show and Luncheon. The venue was really super, too!

Old Business:

SLATE for 2016:

President - Ginny Sparlin

Vice President - Marilyn Corners

Membership - Elissa McAlear
Secretary - Sheri Sutton/Elissa McAlear
Treasurer - Pat Greene
Newsletter Editor - Nancy Hibbert
Ways & Means - Sherry Flowers/Nancy Glassman
Hospitality/Special Events - Verlene Siska & Kelley Shirazi
Publicity -
Local Teacher Seminars - Char Bucher
Travel Teacher Seminars - Melinda Barnes
Facilities Manager / Telephone Committee - Iris Luckel
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Art Show/Email Contact - Elissa McAlear
Parliamentarian - Char Bucher
Website Manager - Melinda Barnes

The motion was made by Melinda Barnes and seconded by Elissa McAlear to accept the Slate. Passed unanimously.

Catherine Roche made the motion for each of us to bring a dozen cookies for the staff to the November meeting as a thank you for providing the meeting room and it was seconded by Ginny Sparlin. A cookbook will also be given to Becky and the chef. Passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM
Respectfully submitted by Elissa McAlear, Recording Secretary

Elissa McAlear – Membership

Membership dues for 2016

We have 45 members for 2015 and three new members for 2016. We have received 26 as of today. Be sure to get your renewal or new application to me by December 1st, be included in the Membership Roster.

We welcome our **new** members! Remember that membership in our chapter requires membership in the Society of Decorative Painters, to which you send your national dues directly. There is a Trial membership to SDP for new members for \$30, with the Decorative Painter only available online. If this is what you, as a new member, with more information on, please contact SDP@ www.decorativepainters.org.

If you have questions about Rocky Mountain Hi Chapter membership, please contact me. You may download a chapter application from our website

<http://RockyMountainHiArtists.com>, or pick one up at the next meeting.

Happy Painting!!

Elissa McAlear 303.421.8714 or email me <elissamc@comcast.net> with RMHi in the subject line

Melinda Barnes- Tole Chatter/ Website/Travel Seminars

TOLE CHATTER

Hello Everyone,

Artist's Club has been presenting "The 12 Weeks of Christmas" with free downloadable patterns. Right now this is week five! These are excellent patterns some of you would enjoy painting. On their home page (in the upper left column) you will see a link to view the all present and past patterns that have been archived. You can save the downloaded PDF to your computer and/or print the patterns out. All of the designs so far have been really good ones. I have been saving the patterns and printed out one... and I rarely paint! *grin* of course if you need the surface you can purchase that from Artists Club.

<http://www.artistsclub.com/>

While you are visiting the Artist's Club website you also might take a look at the new books. If you enjoy painting ornaments there are several new books available now. One of these books is "Ornaments from the Artist's Club" by assorted artists. Each artist featured in this book have designed three ornaments. Some of the designers are Chris Haughey, Judy Diephouse, Lynne Deptula, Linda Lover, Deb Antonick, Sharon Cook, Kay Quist and more.

Adult coloring books are becoming so popular! I am very excited about this idea because it will be introducing more people to our art world. Artist's Club, Hobby Lobby and Michaels are carrying them. You can color the designs with pencils or paint and frame them! I attended a craft show recently and a lady framed and sold the pages right out of the book. Pinterest has many pages you can pin and save. Back to the lady selling them at a craft show for a moment... If you were thinking about doing this I would certainly read the copyright info in each book. Just sayin'...

Here is a website I found that lists their coloring pages by subject.

<http://www.coloring-pages-adults.com/coloring-zen/>

Barbara Nielsen's new website was launched October 28th. Barbara is such a nice lady to work with and also very talented. Please take a look and her website when you have time.

<http://barbaranielsendesigns.com/>

I found a website that you all might find interesting. The "Spirit of the Desert Gourd Patch" specializes in fantastic artwork on gourds. They are located in Arizona and

their website shows many works of art.
<http://spiritofthedesertgourdpatch.com/>

Classes should be announced soon for the new **OKC Painting Palooza** convention. As soon as I hear their website is live I will let you know. The lineup of teachers and exhibitors sounds wonderful. Some that I know have been invited are **Paula Leopold, CDA, Marlene Kreutz, CDA and Della & Company.**

Paula Leopold, CDA has added a new DVD to her website entitled "Etched Silver & Peony". A spectacular colored pencil design! View Paula's designs on her website.
<http://paulaleopold.com/>

Della Wetterman, as many of you know, is re-introducing **Joyce Howard** patterns. Joyce passed away about thirty years ago, but her legacy lives on in her wonderful folk art designs. Three new designs should be added this week... one is a tray with two angels and probably one of my favorite designs. The plan also includes introducing 10 "Joyce Howard Christmas Hang-Me-Up" Ornaments this week. The wood for these designs are already on Della's website and the patterns will hopefully be back from the printer by mid-week.

If you like painting on tin now is the time to purchase tin from Della at **45% and 55% off**. Also some pattern packets are on sale.
<http://dellaandcompany.com/>

The new exhibit at **The National Museum of Decorative Painting** is on display in Atlanta. Hopefully photos and more information will be online very soon.
<http://dpmuseum.org/>

That's it for this month. I hope you enjoyed the fall weather as much as I did!

Happy Painting,

Melinda

WEBSITE

Be sure and check our website for the most recent information concerning chapter events and photos.
<http://rockymountainartists.com>

TRAVEL TEACHER SEMINAR

We have an exciting teacher planned for next **June 18 and 19, 2016!** **Marlene Kreutz, CDA** will be teaching her doodling and pencil shading technique. More information will be shared in our newsletter or website as we work out all the details. You might like to visit her website to see examples of her designs. We will be having

Marlene's pencil drawing and shading designs for the seminar. The seminar will be co-sponsored with the High Plains Chapter and held in Littleton. Marlene teaches with a projector so there is not a bad seat in the room!

<http://marlenekreutz.com/>

We are also co-sponsoring with the High Plains Chapter for a 3-day seminar with **Kathie George**. Kathie is a much sought after teacher and just returned from teaching in Italy. **April 8th** the class will be held at the Plymouth Congregational Church and Kathie will be teaching her watercolor batik on rice paper. **April 9 and 10** classes will be watercolor at the Littleton School Administration Building. If you would like to familiarize yourself with her style visit her website.

<http://www.kathiegeorge.com/>

Melinda

Travel Teacher Seminar Chair

Sherry Flowers – Ways and Means Committee

THANK YOU, THANK YOU and THANK YOU AGAIN to all who graciously gave of their time to make our Fall Heather Gardens Craft show a success. I'm personally appreciative to everyone who donated items for the sale. We will keep everyone apprised of the 2016 show (Spring/Fall). The show will be under new management and at this time we are not certain how that will impact our participation.

I have reserved the room at the First Plymouth Congregational Church for the annual 2016 Fall Luncheon and Art Show to be held on Friday, September 9, 2016. So mark your calendars and let the painting begin.

I've secured the locking display case at the Highlands Ranch Library to display and sell our artwork for the months of April and May 2016. Just to recap there isn't a rental fee; however Owner donation to the library is encouraged from the sale of artwork on display. Suggested donation is 10% of sale price. With that in mind, you have several months to look at your art work and determine if you would like to display or sell. When the time gets closer you can contact either Nancy Glassman or me and we'll arrange getting it. Again I ask that you provide easels or stands, I have several that can be used. If you choose to sell please mark with your name and the price. Proceeds from any sold pieces can be kept by the owner or all/portion can be donated to the chapter or library. Display only items should be marked with your name and NFS (Not for Sale). Additionally, if you would provide an inventory list with your pieces it will be helpful for tracking purposes. Thanking you in advance for your efforts. I look forward to show casing the beautiful pieces and I know the library patrons enjoy admiring your work.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Ways and Means Chair

Sherry Flowers

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Nancy Glasman - Community Outreach

Saturday, November 21, 2015, 1:30 until 3:30p.m. We will have a Free Make and Take at Garden Plaza for the Residence. The project will be alcohol ink on tile with stamping accents.

The Residence and Becky, the Activity Director at Garden Plaza, have requested another opportunity to create! This is such a fun project!! Chapter Members please come and help assist. Residence with this project.

Adults only, due to carpeting at the facility. Any questions contact me at [303-220-8563](tel:303-220-8563).

Thank You,
Nancy

Deb Lancaster – Hospitality

A really big thank you to all of you that brought treats for our meetings and special events this year. You are such wonderful cooks! Maybe we should make a cookbook!

For the November meeting on the 16th, please bring a plate of goodies for the members. We also will be giving the staff at Garden Plaza a basket of cookies from all of us as a thank you to them. Bring a plate of cookies to put in this basket. See you at the meeting

Verlene Siska - Newsletter Editor

Thank you for all who contributed to this newsletter. Please sure to take a peek at the ads we have this month.

Please send corrections to verlene.siska@gmail.com. Please put newsletter' on the subject line. Corrections will be published on our website.

<http://RockyMountainHiArtists.com>.

If you get a chance check out ReFrame, Reuse, Recycle, 10230 West 26th Ave. ReFrame, Reuse, Recycle was inspired by SCRAP in Portland. It is a creative reuse center that keeps materials out of landfills. They are open Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Their website is www.reframecrc.org.

