

Hey Painting Friends!

I am really enjoying this warm weather. I don't know about the rest of you but my bones were real tired of cold! I hope the warmth inspires you to browse through your painting patterns and find some spring projects. We have our Homemade Anything Auction coming up in May. What a great opportunity to share your favorite painting subject on a project to share with the Chapter. Remember, this is our primary fund raiser for the year. Consider painting something special for us to enjoy. Also, invite a friend or former member to join us.

Spring painting themes are also terrific to put on memory boxes. I try to paint one memory box each quarter. I know, that's only four per year but we each do what we can do for this important community outreach. I'm a slow painter - think turtle! If you have ideas for memory boxes bring them to the next meeting. Where do you go for ideas? I'd like to know.

We had a wonderful turnout for our first Saturday meeting and paint-in. We had several ladies from the Denver area, Pueblo, and Canon City. It was great to have you with us. Terry and her Ways and Means group provided a wonderful lunch for us and we PAINTED. Thank you to all who helped out. I will have the finished project at the next few meetings and if any didn't finish and need some help please let me know. Maxine Thomas designs are really fabulous and I encourage you to visit her website and paint other patterns by this talented artist.

I have been getting hints about projects that will be presented to the Chapter at the May meeting for inclusion in our fall retreat. I think we will truly be inspired by them. I don't know how many we will be able to paint at the retreat but I do know we will have some exciting future seminars and paint-ins as a result! We are trying to provide you with many opportunities to share your skills, learn new ones, and just have an excuse to pick up your brushes. Please join us. Share yourself with friends. Grow as an artist.

See you soon, Jackie Gibson

2007 Seminar Schedule

June 9 & 10 Bobbie Campbell & August 4 & 5 Sandy Aubuchon

Sign up information is available on the website: www.pikespeakdecorativepainters.com

Members,

If you know of someone who could use a message or card letting them know that we care, such as an illness of self or husband, death in the family, etc., please email me, Bonnie, at themagicmeadow@aol.com

Thanks, **Bonnie Wilkinson**, 2007 Sunshine Chairman ☀

What a fantastic idea it was to have our lunch brought in for our Saturday meeting! It was delicious and so convenient! The Chapter will benefit from the proceeds and we will have paid for something that we probably would have paid for in the first place had we gone out to lunch. I think that we should do this for seminars as well. It saves so much time, and we don't lose our momentum for painting like we do after going out for lunch for well over an hour! What do you think?

~Lois Sanford

Happy Birthday to You!

March

5 Chris Lessor
8 Robin Patterson
26 Mary Francis

April

2 Brenda Stotler
18 Sandra Springfield
18 Lynn Roth

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Holiday Party Hostess	Linda Rowe
Picnic Door Prize	Carolyn Culwell
Holiday Door Prize	Peggi Severini

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www.pikespeakdecorativepainters.com

Save the Dates

2007 Calendar

***All meetings & seminars are at our new location:
Moreno Street Police Station**

March

Two meetings this month!

- 3 Chapter Meeting - 9am - 2pm** (Saturday)
Program:
Maxine Thomas Angel pocket with Jackie Gibson
Bring prepared surface and painting supplies.
***Refreshments:**
Edi Finkleman, Becca Coffey, Lois Sanford
***Door Prizes:**
Edi Finkleman, Becca Coffey
- 7 Executive Committee Meeting - 6pm**
@ Jackie Gibson's home
- 27 Chapter Meeting 7pm** (Tuesday)
Program:
Painting a gourd with Carolyn Culwell
Bring prepared gourd and painting supplies (more info inside)
***Refreshments:**
Terry Niznik, Gale Bradley, Judy Richardson,
Carolyn Culwell
***Door Prizes:**
Terry Niznik, Gale Bradley, Judy Richardson,
Carolyn Culwell

April

No Meeting this month!

- 15 *Deadline to sign up for the Bobbie Campbell Seminar**

May

- 5 Chapter Meeting - 9am - 2pm** (Saturday)
Program:
Homemade Anything Auction & Potluck
(more info inside)
***Deadline to submit projects for Retreat**

June

- 23 Memory Box Paint-In** at Jackie's Bead Boutique - 10am
26 Chapter Meeting - 7pm (Tuesday)
Program:
Painted Keys with Becca Coffey (more info inside)
***Deadline to sign up for the Sandy Aubuchon Seminar**

March 27, Chapter Meeting Program

Carolyn Culwell will be leading us in painting a small gourd snowman ornament!

Please read through her instructions:

- * Basecoat your gourd with a warm white or light buttermilk.
- * **Bring your regular painting supplies plus:** a liner brush, a small round brush for eyes and a stippler or scruffy brush for cheeks and a hot glue gun or E-6000 glue to adhere your nose and hat.
- * Paint colors: **Delta Adobe** or your favorite cheek color, **black** for the eyes and mouth and your **basecoat white** for the highlight color.
- * You will receive a packet with a pre-painted nose and the fleece for the hat. Carolyn will have some extra basecoated gourds and packets for sale for \$2 per set at the meeting for those wishing extras or those who missed the March 3 meeting.

Homemade Anything Auction and Potluck

Saturday, May 5, 2007

9 am - 2 pm

Please join us for our Annual Homemade Anything Auction. As most of you know, this is our Chapter meeting for the month of May as well as our main fundraiser for the year. This year the auction will be held at the Moreno Street police station instead of someone's home.

Members donate something that is handmade to be auctioned off and we bid on those items. This is your opportunity to own something made by fellow Chapter members. We know that each of you has a special talent for creating and this is your chance to show us what you like to do. Some ideas of things to donate are: jewelry, stained glass, decorated clothing, hand sewn items, hand woven baskets, baked goods, jams, jellies, and of course - **painted** items!

We will have our potluck after the auction so please bring a dish to share as well as your auction pieces. Bring a friend and your checkbooks!

Retreat project submission deadline is May 5, 2007 at the Homemade Anything Auction!

We look forward to seeing what project ideas you have come up with for our annual painting retreat in September!

June 26th Chapter Meeting Program

Becca Coffey will be leading us in painting metal keys from the November-December 2006 issue of our Decorative Painter magazine. Each kit is \$6 and contains the keys and fiber yarn. Members will supply their own prep coat for the metal, basecoat the keys and put the pattern on so that you are ready to paint the details at the meeting.

July 28th Picnic Meeting Program

Becca Coffey will be leading us with another darling project at the picnic at Peggi Severini's home. We will be painting Birdhouse ornaments, also from the November-December 2006 Decorative Painter magazine. The birdhouse kits are \$5 and will consist of: 2 houses, cherries for the top, hanging cord, dimensional paste for the "whipped cream" and seed beads to decorate with. If you want the "hot fudge" look, you will need to bring a hot glue gun. In order to finish that day, you will need to have your ornaments basecoated and the pattern traced on.

Deadline to order each of the kits is April 30, 2007.

Thanks so much!!

A big thank you to Jackie Gibson for teaching the fun Maxine Thomas angel project after the March 3 meeting. It was interesting to see the individuality of each person's piece and so nice to go home with a finished project. And another big thank you to the Ways and Means Committee for arranging the lunch before the project.

- Joyce Clothier

I'd like to thank everyone for the cards and for thinking of me during my surgery. Surgery went well (although I didn't recover as quickly as I thought I should have, even though the doctor said it would take a while) and I can breathe better than I have in years! - Sandi Severini

Pikes Peak Chapter Meeting Minutes – March 3, 2007

President Jackie Gibson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Other board members present were: Eileen Lipscomb, Joyce Clothier, Cindy Bauer, Lois Sanford and Julie Becker. Attending were 17 members and 2 guests.

Vice President's Report: Luncheon for 2006 Secret Pal participants was held at Elephant Bar Restaurant. Due to lack of response, Secret Pal for 2007 will be suspended and may start again in a year or so if more interested.

Cookie Exchange and Card Exchange for 2006 had limited participation and by show of hands it was decided to suspend those activities for 2007.

Show & Tell: Members are encouraged to bring projects they have finished or are working on for Show & Tell at meetings. If interested, Members may offer their items for sale.

Programs: Carolyn Culwell will teach a gourd-painting project at March 27 meeting. Materials required will be sent via e-mail. Becca Coffey showed two projects she is planning for upcoming meetings; one with keys and the other small birdhouses. More information and orders will also be sent via e-mail.

Homemade Anything Auction scheduled for May 5. Members encouraged to work on projects for the auction and encouraged to bring guests. It was suggested that past members be invited to attend.

Membership: Still receiving membership dues for 2007. A final member count should be available at next meeting.

Treasurer: Checking account balance was reported.

Communications: Members like appearance and content of new website and only a few have experienced problems opening pages. Deadline for March/April newsletter announced.

Bazaar: Two possibilities were presented for Bazaar 2007. Continue as scheduled with Pine Creek, but on smaller scale with two spaces rather than four, and advertising a transition to a House Held Bazaar one week later at the home of Julie Becker. There would be information distributed at the Pine Creek Bazaar to notify buyers of transition plans for upcoming bazaars to be held elsewhere. In 2008 the plan would be to have only the House Held Bazaar but at an earlier date in October. **Motion:** Contract for a two booth space at Pine Creek for 2007, with participation fee of \$25 plus 10% of sales for each member participating, and a second House Held Bazaar to be held one week later at home of Julie Becker with no participation fee. Motion by Becca Coffey, seconded by Carolyn Culwell, motion carried.

Memory Boxes: Ten completed boxes received at March 3 meeting. A Paint-In will be held June 23 at Jackie's Bead Boutique.

Retreat: Members reminded to submit their ideas for possible retreat projects, including materials, cost, and time required by the May 5 meeting. At that time members will vote on which project(s) will be offered during Retreat.

Seminars: Sign-up sheets for Bobbie Campbell and Sandy Aubuchon seminars were distributed. Please see website for further information.

Ways & Means: As a fund raiser, the committee provided meals at \$6.50 for the March 3 program. They recommend that all members contribute at least one item to the Bazaar with sale proceeds from that item going to the Chapter. Other ideas were discussed and the committee will explore those.

Budget: 2007 budget presented. **Motion:** That the 2007 budget be accepted as presented. Motion by Beth Newton, seconded by Peggi Severini, unanimous.

Next Meeting: March 27 at 7:00pm. Meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

Peggi Severini announced that Woodland Park is hosting a competition for painting life-sized fiberglass elk. She will explore if it is possible for the Chapter to take on painting one.

Jackie Gibson then taught a Maxine Thomas project as the painting program.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joyce Clothier, Secretary