



# Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists



An Affiliated Chapter of Society of Decorative Painters  
[www.citrusridge.org](http://www.citrusridge.org)

## President's Message

By Kathryn Crane-Thielen

August reminds me of sunflower month. These large, beautiful, robust summer flowers appear everywhere. They are full of color and a pleasure to paint. So with this rainy weather we are having lately, pick up a paint brush and paint a bag for the Porchlight Project.

Speaking of painting, since the Maureen McNaughton post meeting class, I am on a roll with her work. Stroke work takes practice and the more you do it the easier you can make your brush flow. Everyone did a grand job and it was a pleasure to teach you.

Vicki Alley will be speaking at the Lake Wales Rotary group about the CRDA and a representative from PorchLight will be speaking. Vicki will ask the Rotary Group for either donations for Porchlight or financial help. I call Vicki our CRDA ambassador for decorative art as she is willing to spread the good news about us and the field we paint in; not to mention this very important philanthropic project with which we are involved. I am appealing to you to paint extra bags and fill them with goodies, pens, sketch pads, toiletries, and journals to bring a little joy to these children.

The Election committee was formed last meeting, so consider an office or committee to head for 2016. Good luck to the members who volunteered.

Barb Layton has a busy fall ahead of her. Please refer to her July 27 email notice about the upcoming seminar projects. Checks for September and October can be mailed directly to the artist responsible for teaching.

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Prayers are needed for Jane Chroniger who will be undergoing surgery August 11 and Becky Osbeck is recovering slowly in rehab.

Until August 22.....  
Happy painting,  
Kathryn

## **MEETING INFORMATION**

Where?	Hampton Inn Highway 27, Lake Wales
When?	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month
What time?	9:00 AM (unless otherwise notified)

# 2015 Project Calendar

<b>August 22</b>	Tote Bags for PorchLight / Treasure Boxes for Florida Baptist Children's Home
<b>September 26</b>	Vicki Alley "Twiga Giraffe" Colored Pencil Project <b>*Sign-up/Payment deadline is Sept. 11</b>
<b>October 24</b>	Judy Nicewicz Mud Christmas Ornaments <b>*Sign-up/Payment deadline is Sept. 26</b>
<b>November 28-29</b>	Diane Bunker Texture Paste & Puff Paint
<b>December 13</b>	Christmas Party, Hosted by Barbara Fowler

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Beverly Schmelling	August 1
Collett Dodd	August 4
Lynda Jeskey	August 27
Margie Pollard	August 31



When it is your birthday month, please bring in something for the Ways & Means raffle. It should be painting related, either something in very good condition you no longer need, or it could be something new. Have it gift wrapped so it will be a mystery, which will add to the excitement! Have some fun with this item; you only need to do it once a year. If you won't be attending that month, you don't get off the hook!! You can bring it in the next meeting!

Vicki Alley



## Treasurer's Report

By Suzi Mills, Treasurer



### Treasurer's Report July 2015

**Check Book Balance as of 7/1/15:      \$ 4,481.85**

	<u>JULY</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>	<u>BUDGET BALANCE</u>
<b>INCOME:</b>			
Membership Dues	\$ -	\$ 80.00	\$ 520.00
Programs & Seminars	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,665.00	\$ 905.00
Ways & Means	\$ 100.00	\$ 282.00	\$ 336.00
Fundraiser luncheon/quilt	\$ -	\$ 3,707.00	\$ 793.00
Scholarship Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 225.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,959.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,429.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Administration			
Checks & Bank Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$20.00
Meeting Room Rent	\$ 80.25	\$ 481.50	\$ 321.00
Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$20.00
SDP Annual Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$40.00
SDP Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$70.00
Installation of Officers	\$ -	\$ -	\$70.00
Convention Expenses	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$0.00
Hospitality	\$ -	\$ -	\$50.00
Membership	\$ -	\$ -	\$100.00
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 78.75	\$1,093.25
Newsletter	\$ -	\$ -	\$100.00
Philanthropic	\$ -	\$ -	\$150.00
Programs & Seminars	\$ 395.00	\$ 2,124.37	(\$113.74)
Publicity/Website	\$ 90.00	\$ 270.00	\$90.00
Scholarship Fund	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$50.00
Sunshine	\$ -	\$ -	\$25.00
Ways & Means			
Raffles, etc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$20.00
2015 Fundraiser	\$ -	\$ 875.75	\$1,424.25
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 565.25</b>	<b>\$ 4,380.37</b>	<b>\$ 3,529.76</b>

**Check Book Balance as of 7/31/15:      \$ 4,141.60**

## Secretary's Report

### **CITRUS RIDGE DECORATIVE ARTISTS.....SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2015**

The July 25, 2015 meeting of the Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists at the Lake Wales Hampton Inn was called to order by President Kathryn Crane-Thielen at 9:10 am. She introduced two guests from the Osceola Decorative Artists chapter: Marsha Lamb and Debbie Smith. The minutes of the previous meeting and the Treasurer's report as printed in the July newsletter were approved.

Barbara Layton gave information on the "Porch Light". Next month's program will be painting tote bags for them or treasure boxes for the Florida Baptist Children's Home. Barbara also handed out ideas for designs for the tote bags. Porch light will have a 5K run on Friday September 25 and needs volunteers to assist with handing out water, manning tables, etc. There is a form on their website that you can fill out. The following day there will be a fund raiser for Porch Light and although it is our September program day, there might be a way folks can contribute items to them to sell.

Vicki will be teaching the September program and needs folks to pay her by September 11 so the boards can be prepped. Judy's "Mud" program in October needs to be paid for by September 26 - either \$45 for the class and kit or \$25 for the class and just the "Mud." The two day November program with Diane Bunker is \$60 total and can be paid in installments before the first day of the program.

Barbara Fowler volunteered to host the chapter Christmas party on Sunday December 13, 2015 starting at 2:00 pm.

Concerns were mentioned for both Jane Chroniger and Rebecca Osbeck.

The chapter will no longer be doing a display in the Winter Haven Library for Decorative Painting month as we have in the past. It was suggested we look into Lake Wales or Bartow Libraries instead.

A vote was taken and approved to issue a check to our webmaster, Melinda Barnes, for the quarter.

Food theme for the August program is "Hot Dogs" and a sign-up sheet was passed around.

Motion was made by Barbara Layton and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marge Pollard. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35.

Submitted by Michelle Mueller

## July Class Photos



## Hospitality

By Pat Schlairet

Hot dogs will be on the menu for lunch at the August meeting! Anyone who was not at the July meeting and will be attending in August, please check the list of what has been signed up for so far and then bring something of your choice to add to the lunch. (We have plenty of bottled water left from our April fundraising luncheon.)

Suzi Mills:	Chips
Stephanie Pooler:	Rolls
Toni Hoffer:	Ketchup, mustard, pickles, relish
Barbara Fowler:	Dessert
Kathryn Thielen:	Hot dogs & buns



We look forward to seeing YOU in August!!

## Membership

By Barbara Fowler

### July 2015 Membership Update

- Twenty-eight members have signed on for 2015 thus far.
- Be sure to use the CRDA poster in areas that will be noticed as it is a great draw to open conversation about our chapter.
- If you need a CRDA badge, let me know. The badges should be worn at our chapter meetings.
- This past month of July we painted with Kathryn Crane-Thielen from a Maureen McNaughton rose design. We had thirteen in attendance including two guests.
- Be sure to share with your friends who attended the two websites to join: local and national. See the following:
  - <http://decorativepainters.org> If you plan on joining, this is the link for the national.
  - <http://www.citrusridge.org> This is our local chapter in Lake Wales.
- Note: both have to be joined to become a member.... 😊
- Invite friends to attend our meetings! They can come to two before joining. They would have to sign up and pay for the materials and lessons. The charge for this would be five dollars more than our fee.
- Also, consider inviting youth to our meetings. We have a lot to offer to young budding artists! We have quite a list of great months to come to paint. Share with others. See you soon! 😊
- In August we will be doing an outreach project in painting tote bags for Porchlight, a special program belonging to the Baptist Children's Home...If you have young people in your family or neighborhood, this might be a good time to bring them in to help us.

## A Volunteer Opportunity from The Porch Light ...

"Shine a Light 5K"

**Friday, September 25 • 6:30 PM**

**Lake Hollingsworth**

Volunteers

Thank you for your interest in volunteering to help with our "Shine a Light" events to spread awareness on child sex trafficking and make an impact for change in the lives of young victims!

Volunteers will be assigned to various jobs such as giving water, encouraging 5K runners, helping with the registration table, handling the shirt giveaways, placing signs in the grass, refilling water coolers, helping the face painters, helping guide the kids Fun Run, etc.

When you make your commitment to become a volunteer, submit the volunteer registration form below and a representative from The Porch Light will contact you to make sure you have all the information you need.

Volunteer Registration Form: <https://theporchlight.org/events/shine-a-light-volunteers/>

*Please note: This is the organization that we will painting the tote bags for at our August meeting.*

### Reminders for Upcoming Programs:

#### **August 22 –**

- Outreach Program for the Porch Light and Florida Baptist Children's Home.
- Please have your tote bag or your photo box ready to paint on, i.e. pattern drawn on.
- Remember the paints you will need and other acrylic painting supplies.

#### **September 26 –**

- Make your \$30.00 check payable to Vicki Alley and be sure she has it before September 11, 2015

#### **October 24 –**

- Make your check in the applicable amount payable to Judi Nicewicz before September 26, 2015.
- The class fee for those that need the entire kit and class will be \$45.00. Those that need a jar of mud and class will be \$20.00.

#### **November 28th and 29th –**

- The cost for both days is \$60.00 and you can use installment payment as long as the entire amount is paid by November 28th.

If you have any questions, please drop me an e-mail. Thank you.

Barbara Layton

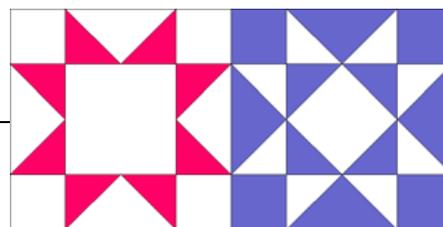
## From the Ways and Means Basket

We have the opportunity to meet with a quilting group in Frostproof to determine if they will put our quilt together for us and what their cost would be to do this.

At this time, I believe we have enough squares painted, and if we don't, perhaps we can just paint some branches with leaves or flowers on some extra squares to fill up empty places.

They will be meeting on Thursday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at the Latt Maxcy library. Let me know if you would like to join me.

Vicki Alley, TDA



Kathryn and Vicki met with Michele Newsome, the Director of Porch Light when Michele and Vicki were the guest speakers at the Lake Wales Breakfast Rotary meeting on August 6.

Vicki talked to them about CRDA and SDP. She told them we are working on the tote bags for the young girls who are in the Porch Light program and showed them some samples of painted tote bags and some of the items we want to put in the tote bags.

Vicki invited them to come to our chapter meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and try their hand at painting a tote bag.



Kathryn, Michele Newsome, Director of Porch Light, Vicki, and Terri Mooney, President of the Lake Wales Breakfast Rotary

**2015 Board Members****President**

Kathryn Crane–Thielen

**First Vice President**

Barbara Layton

**Second Vice President**

Barbara Fowler

**Secretary**

Michelle Mueller

**Treasurer**

Suzi Mills

**Ways & Means Chair**

Vicki Alley

**Newsletter Editor**

Deanna Spence

**Nominating Committee**

It's getting to be that time of year again, time to elect officers for the coming year. The nominating committee has been formed and the committee members are:

Stephanie Pooler

Suzi Mills

Barbara Fowler

Michelle Mueller

If you have been looking for a way to serve you chapter, now is your chance! When one of these committee members contacts you and asks you to consider serving in some capacity, answer them with a whole-hearted "YES!"

Even better yet, contact one of these four committee members and volunteer for the position you would like to hold!

The election of our 2016 officers will take place at the October chapter meeting.

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*We're on the Web!*

*Visit us at:*

[www.citrusridge.org](http://www.citrusridge.org)

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Have you signed up to receive the blog messages and the newsletters from the Society of Decorative Painters?

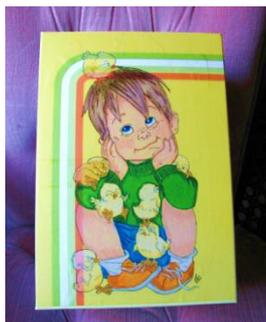
If not, go to the website ([www.decorativepainters.org](http://www.decorativepainters.org)) and right from the home page, click on Blog and sign up for that and then click on SDP newsletter and sign up for that and you'll always be in the know!

## “OUTREACH PROGRAM”

*August 22, 2015*



Nylon Tote bag



Supplies Needed:

All materials necessary to paint, color, or draw on photo boxes and/or tote bags. For patterns, don't forget your Decorative Painter Magazines.

Suggest the cotton canvas totes; however, we can paint on any type of totes, the nylon totes are really easy to paint.

To see the age group for painting on the photo boxes, please view this website:

<https://www.fbchomes.org/about-us/>

Watch the short video of on this website, you'll receive your inspiration for the tote bags. The fbch has only girls.

<https://theporchlight.org/>

For even more information on our Outreach Program, view the following websites:

<https://www.fbchomes.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/FloridaBaptistChildrensHomes>

The cost to you is your time and materials; but you will receive a great reward, and inspiration. Should you need any help with your contribution, please contact me at 407-520-7638 or [blayton@cfl.rr.com](mailto:blayton@cfl.rr.com). The chapter is counting on you, please be there.

# Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

September 26, 2015

“Twiga Giraffe” by Erika Joanne  
Vicki Alley



**Supplies need for the class:**

**Prismacolor Premier Pencils**

- 935 Black
- 1097 Moss Green
- 1085 Peach Beige
- 945 Sienna Brown
- 1003 Spanish Orange
- 944 Terra Cotta
- 938 White

- Regular colored pencil supplies
- Grey and white transfer paper
- #3 round brush
- Your favorite thin liner, preferably 3/0 liner
- White acrylic paint

The following items are included in your cost.  
Prepped 6" X 12" canvas

- Detailed & Numbered Instructions
- Full-Sized Pattern Drawing
- Shading Guide
- (2) Step-by-Step Color Worksheets
- (6) 4 x 6" Color Photos + Cover

*The canvases have to be prepped in advance; there is a deadline of September 11, 2015 and payment needs to be received by then.*

## PROGRAM SIGN UP

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

September 26, 2015.....\$30.00      Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Guests who wish to attend are to include an additional \$5.00. Class limited to 25 students. Please bring a bag lunch.**

**Make Checks Payable to CRDA, Complete Registration form and give to Barbara or Mail to:**  
Barbara Layton, 149 Club Villas Lane, Kissimmee, FL 34744

# Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

October 24, 2015  
"Mudding on Glass Ornaments"  
Judy Nicewicz



Supplies: 3 1/2 inch or larger Christmas ornaments.  
Ornament Hanger  
The class fee for those that need the entire kit and class will be \$45.00.  
Those that need a jar of mud and class will be \$20.00.

Money needs to be paid by September 26, 2015 for Judy to be able to purchase the kits.  
She needs the money to pay for kits because she cannot pay for all of them herself.

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## PROGRAM SIGN UP

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
October 24, 2015.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Guests who wish to attend are to include an additional \$5.00. Class limited to 25 students.  
Please bring a bag lunch.

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# *Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists*

November 28 & 29, 2015  
*Diane Bunker*  
“Creative Inspiration”



**Supplies:**

Students bring their own surfaces: Two (2) hard surfaces, one (1) for the 3-D pasted flowers and one (1) for the Faux Metal Art.  
Two (2) garments for the Puff paint clothing , totes, apron whatever, and One (1) shirt for a bleaching technique.  
  
#6 round stroke or #6 Filbert, Liner, Shader, 1/8" Filbert rake, White Gel pen, Black sharpie, scissors, magic tape, and a shirt boards.

**\$30.00 Kit:** The kit comes with choice of one of my stencils, patterns and pictures of all the techniques, spoon pendant, jar of paste, tip kit, Teflon, puff paint, glitter, crystals, fabric to practice on, Faux Metal, a piece of transfer cloth, the use of De Colorant, Resin, and Alcohol Inks.  
Diane will bring many line drawings of chosen flower so it will fit on many different surfaces. She will supply a spoon pendant.

The first day we’ll start with the first layer of the spoon then we’ll work on the 3-D flowers with the paste. Day 2 we add a second layer to the spoon and then work with the puff paint and last we’ll do the Faux Metal art. You will need to pick what flower you want to work with.  
See attach flier.

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**PROGRAM SIGN UP**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
November 28 & 29, 2015.....\$60.00 Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Guests who wish to attend are to include an additional \$5.00 for each day. Class limited to 25 students. Please bring a bag lunch.**

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## *Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists - 2015 Schedule*

**\*\*\*All Chapter Meetings and Workshop/Seminars start at 9:00 a.m.\*\*\***

MONTH	INSTRUCTOR	COST	PROJECT	MEDIUM
August 22	"Outreach Endeavor"	No money	Painting tote bags for The Porch Light	Your Choice
September 26	Vicki Alley	\$30.00	"Twiga Giraffe"	Colored Pencil
October 24	Judi Nicewicz	\$45 includes all supplies needed	Mudding	Mud
November 28 and 29 <sup>th</sup>	Diane Bunker	\$60	Various	Texture Paste & Puff Paint
December			Holiday Party	

*\$5.00 extra for guests*

## *2016 Schedule*

MONTH	INSTRUCTOR	COST	PROJECT	MEDIUM
January 30 and 31 <sup>st</sup>	Cheri Rol	TBA	<a href="http://cherirol.com">http://cherirol.com</a>	Oils
February 27	Debra Welty		Lily	Charcoal
March 26	Pam Caley	TBA	*	Pen & Ink
April 23	2016 Fundraiser			
May 28	Barbara Layton	TBA	Lace	Acrylic

\* You'll be voting on the project – Go to Pam's Google

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