



Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

An Affiliated Chapter of Society of Decorative Painters
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President's Message

By Kathryn Crane-Thielen

Happy fall and cool air!!! Don't you love it! I am now donning my walking sneakers and heading out for a nice brisk walk with Mitch, my dog.

We had a good informative meeting on Saturday with lots of functions going on. Members, we need you, for those who have not signed up for their 2017 membership! Fifteen (15) have enrolled so far but Barb Fowler is waiting for the 15 who are hanging out there to get their CRDA and SDP payment in. We need to boost our numbers! CRDA is counting on you with some great projects booked next year and fundraisers. Not to mention the SDP Daytona Convention in May, only hours away from us.

Michelle Mueller did a great job sharing her strobework technique to us. Strobework is a facet of decorative art that needs to be practiced and practiced; thank you Michelle, for enlightening us on our journey with the Helen Jeglic design.

Andie Scott took the Treasure boxes to Baptist Children's Home and she said the appreciation for them was overwhelming. Thank you to those who offered their time to paint these boxes and provide a spark of joy to these children.

Vicki Alley has done a great job organizing tickets for the quilt raffle. Now it is up to us, to sell them and make money for our chapter. Janice Griffin has sold 39 tickets already!! Congratulations, Janice.

OK, now hear this; I want to take charge of the Repurpose, Repaint Luncheon. I do not know how long I will be in the state of Florida but I may as well go out with a bang.

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OUR MISSION

CRDA's purpose is to teach, inspire, and share the creativity of decorative arts.

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION

Where?	Cypress Gardens Mobile Home & RV Park 1951 Lake Daisy Road Winter Haven 33884
When?	November 12, 2016
What time?	9:00 AM

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Now, who is going to be with me on the luncheon committee, stated for March 11, 2017? We may be a small chapter but we pack a big heart. Let me know who will sign up and we will schedule a meeting in November to brainstorm.

Sunday, November 6, is another date for CRDA members to travel to Bear with Us and paint with Bobbie Campbell. Katie and Bob VanHorn are sponsoring this fun day with a hot dog lunch included. We will meet at Michaels, part of the large shopping area, around Hwy 27 at 10 AM.

November 18 is the opening for the Festival of Wreaths at the Bartow Historic Court House. Our wreath will be on display for the silent auction; this is another philanthropic item for CRDA's chapter achievement award. Mark your calendars to attend.

Happy painting,
Kathryn

2017 Officers

With no additional nominations from the floor, the slate of officer nominees presented by the Nominating Committee were elected at the October 22 chapter meeting. The following are the CRDA officers for 2017:

President:	Barbara Fowler
1 st Vice President:	Stephanie Pooler
2 nd Vice President:	Barbara Layton
Secretary:	Bonnie Rand LaMoynne Meek
Treasurer:	Suzi Mills

Congratulations to all and THANK YOU
for volunteering to serve!

Program Notes from Stephanie

The class went very well with Michelle on the 21st. All were happy!! Thank You Michelle for your wonderful class.

Bonnie Rand is teaching our next class which is going to be Nov. 12th at the Cypress Garden Mobile Home and RV Park. She is teaching a fabric painting. The pattern has been sent out by Bonnie so if you have not gotten it please let me know.

Our Christmas party is Dec 11th from 2 to 6 pm. It will be a potluck like last year so get out your best recipes and cook up a great dish to share. We will also have a gift swap. Please let me know what you are planning to bring.

I am still looking for people to teach for June, July, August, Sept, Oct, and Nov. If you are interested please contact me with your ideas.

Now for our Mark Menendez seminar:

1. March 25th. We are painting the "Yellow Iris" in oils. The price of the class will be \$75.00 and it will include the canvas, paint and solvent, plus the pattern. All you will need are your regular oil painting brushes and supplies.
 - March 26th will be "The Cardinal" done in colored pencil. The cost will be \$75.00 and will include the pencils, paper, and pattern. You will need a pencil sharpener, eraser, and any other regular supplies for colored pencil.
 - If you choose to do both projects, the cost will be \$140.00. We can take deposits on this seminar and we will allow our members to make payments. Please contact me with any questions.

2016 Board Members

President

Kathryn Crane-Thielen

First Vice President

Stephanie Pooler

Second Vice President

Barbara Fowler

Secretary

Michelle Mueller

Treasurer

Suzi Mills

Ways & Means Chair

Vicki Alley

Newsletter Editor

Deanna Spence



CRDA artwork on display at Lake Wales Library for Decorative Arts month.



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www.citrusridge.org

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DECORATIVEPAINTERS.ORG

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JOIN US NEXT YEAR AT THE

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Society of Decorative Painters
International Conference & Expo
May 17-20, 2017

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Secretary's Report – October

By Lynda Jeskey on behalf of Michelle Mueller

October 22, 2016 Meeting of Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

- Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 10 am by Kathryn. She welcomed former members Carol Brown and Elaine Carden.
- Secretary Report: The Sept. minutes were read by Lynda Jeskey. It was moved to accept by Vicki and 2nd by Janice. They were accepted.
- Treasurer report: Suzie Mills read the report. It was moved to accept by Barb L and 2nd by Judy A. Suzie also reported that she had looked into changing banks to one that doesn't charge when balances fall below \$1500 for non-profits. She found that Mid Florida Credit Union does not. She talked to the current bank and they told her to come in to discuss it, which she will do.
- Membership report: Barb F reported that we currently have 15 members renewed for 2017. She asked us to invite friends that might be interested on our group to our upcoming outings.
- Ways and Means: Vicki spoke about the Quilt Raffle. Every member is to pick up a packet with a photo of the Quilt and 30 raffle tickets to sell. Vicki's husband, Reno, made a stand to display the quilt. The quilt will go to the Conference Marketplace to be displayed and sell tickets. She said that booths are \$100. She is going to look into sharing a booth with another chapter to share the cost. She asked if we would look into having booths at local fairs/festivals to sell tickets. We could try to display the quilt there.
- Basket Luncheon: The Luncheon is March 11, 2017. Kathryn said we are all going to have to pitch in as we are a small group. It was suggested that we do one theme for all the tables to allow us more time to make things for the Recycle / Repurpose Auction and the baskets for raffle. It was discussed that we make the same table favor for everyone as we did the clip boards before.
- Andie reported of the children's joy when she and Janice delivered the treasure boxes to the FL Baptist Children's home. They were very much appreciated.
- Barb F reported that the art students at her middle school were making and selling their works. She asked that if any of us have art supplies that we don't need if we would donate them.
- Seminar Report: Mark Menendez Seminar will be \$75/day. It is March 25-26, 2017.
- Program review: Bonnie talked about the Nov 12 class she will be teaching. She said the pattern will be sent to those who have signed up. The paint colors were in the Oct. newsletter. She handed out the aprons and told us how to prepare them.
- Newsletter: Kathryn reminded us to get our profiles in to Deanna for the newsletter.
- New Business:
 - Because of the concerns of our dwindling funds, it was suggested that we add \$5 to the teachers' fees to go into the treasury. It was discussed as to what other chapters do. The following motion was made by Lynda (per Michelle's note) and 2nd by Suzie: 1. For projects taught by local teachers, the chapter shall \$5 to the project fee per student, which will be retained by the chapter. a. "Local Teachers" are defined as those from Citrus Ridge or a sister chapter, not a nationally known travel teacher. The motion carried. It will be added to our standing rules.

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- Kathryn told us about The Talbot Recovery and Shelter House, where she volunteers. They are in need of personal supplies, a computer and various other office supplies. She asked if we have any of those things that we would like to donate it would be appreciated. Vicki said where she works might have some things.
- Kathryn asked if we could look into the cost of having pins with our logo on them made to sell. Judy A said she has done this for another group. A motion was made by Judy A and 2nd by Bonnie to look into the costs of having them made. The motion carried.
- Old business:
 - Kathryn reminded us to visit our Decorative Art Month display at Lake Wales Library before Oct 31.
 - Tour of Lake Placid Murals will be Oct. 29. We are to meet at the Avon Park Walmart parking lot at 9:30am and carpool from there.
 - Bear With Us is Nov.6. We are to meet at the big ice cream cone at Posner Park at 10 am.
- Toni Hoffer broke her arm in a fall. She is doing well.
- The Christmas party is Dec 11 at 2pm. It will be at the club house. Please sign up to bring a dish to pass. Meat will be provided. Bring a gift to exchange.
- Election of Officers: The following slate of officers was unanimously voted in with Judy A making a motion and Lynda 2nd. Congratulations, ladies.
 - President: Barb Fowler
 - 1st VP: Stephanie Pooler
 - 2nd VP: Barb Layton
 - Secretary: Bonnie Rand and LaMoyne Meek
 - Treasurer: Suzie Mills.

It was moved to adjourn at 10 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Jeskey



Our chapter's contribution to the Festival of Wreaths has been completed.

The opening night of the Festival of Wreaths will be November 18 at the Polk County History Center in Bartow. The wreaths will be sold via an on-line silent auction with all proceeds benefitting the History Center.

The wreaths will be on display until December 10.

Treasurer's Report – October

By Suzi Mills

Check Book Balance AS OF 9/30/2016 \$ 1,259.85

INCOME:		YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET BALANCE
Membership Dues	\$ 80.00	\$ 455.00	
Programs & Seminars	\$ 190.00	\$ 1,436.00	
Ways & Means	\$ 53.00	\$ 722.00	
Fundraiser luncheon/quilt			
Scholarship Fund			
Miscellaneous			
Total Income	\$ 323.00	\$ 2,613.00	

EXPENSES:		YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET BALANCE
Administration			
Checks & Bank Fees		\$ 53.95	\$ (33.95)
Meeting Room Rent	\$ 25.00	\$ 446.00	\$ 592.50
Supplies			\$ 20.00
SDP Annual Fee			\$ 40.00
SDP Insurance			\$ 70.00
Installation of Officers			\$ 70.00
Convention Expenses		\$ 500.00	\$ -
Hospitality			\$ 50.00
Membership			\$ 100.00
Miscellaneous		\$ 286.87	\$ 885.13
Newsletter			\$ 100.00
Philanthropic			\$ 150.00
Programs & Seminars	\$ 120.00	\$ 3,780.39	\$ (591.39)
Publicity/Website	\$ 90.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 40.00
Scholarship Fund			
Sunshine		\$ 18.14	\$ 6.86
Ways & Means			
Raffles, etc.			\$ 20.00
2017 Fundraiser	\$ 250.00	\$ 1,152.60	\$ 871.18
Total Expenses	\$ 485.00	\$ 6,597.95	

Check Book Balance AS OF 10/30/2016 \$ 1,097.85

Membership Report

By Barbara Fowler

October's meeting was productive with Michelle Mueller sharing the design by Helen Jeglic in the "Dutch Strokework Design." We are getting ready for Nov. 12th meeting painting with Bonnie Rand on the 'paint palette apron.' This would be a great painting cover up for each of us when we have our lessons in the future. What a fashion statement!

Keep in mind the chapter dues are now due at \$20.00 and \$50.00 for the national dues. You will find the form to send in below. The national dues were adjusted to where the date you join is the next year's date to renew. For example if you join in June, the next year's month to renew would be next June...And if you have friends and/or family who would like to join until the end of the year, the dues would be pro-rated. On the form to send in, please be sure to include your current SDP membership number. Send in to me as listed at the bottom of the form.

Reminders again:

- 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 one, contact Kathryn.
- If you need a CRDA badge, let me know. The badges should be worn at our chapter meetings.
- Be sure to share with your friends who attended the two websites to join: local and national. See the following:

SDP website: <http://decorativepainters.org>

CRDA website: <http://www.citrusridge.org>

- The membership form for 2017 is at the end of this newsletter. Be sure to put your new SDP membership number on the form and send to me asap.
- 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.

We have next a great event to get together and have fun. This would be a great time to invite friends to come along. October 29 was our visit to Lake Placid to view the many murals. We just returned from this and had a fantastic time walking and driving enjoying the murals. Next, November 6 is our trip to participate in the Bear with Us, Inc in Winter Garden all day paint and take. Another date you could invite a friend to join us and become a part of our group for the year!



SDP and CRDA Membership Renewals for 2017 are now being accepted.

To renew your **SDP** membership:

- Go online to decorativepainters.org and click on “Renew Membership” in the left column and then follow the instructions, or
- Fill out the form that was included with the most recent issue of the Decorative Painter and mail it to SDP along with your membership dues.

To renew your **CRDA** chapter membership:

- Fill out the 2017 Membership form that is included in this newsletter and give or mail it, along with your dues payment, to Barbara Fowler.



November Birthdays

Janice Griffin
Sue Schrieber
Stephanie Pooler
Barbara Layton

November 7
November 19
November 20
November 27

Happy
Birthday



Congratulations to Kathryn on her first time voting as an American citizen!

Talbot House Needs List

Talbot House Ministries provides a multitude of client support and at times we run into needs that we cannot always accommodate on our own. We reach out to the community to help us provide these needs so that we can best serve our clients. Currently we are in need of the following:

- 2 Laptops
- Office furniture– 2 desks, locking file cabinets, chairs.
- Personal hygiene items– deodorant, shampoo, lotion, soap, and razors.
- Band aids
- Toothbrushes
- 2 Inch white binders
- Art supplies

We are also in need of help fixing or replacing our vans that help transport clients to and from job interviews, doctor's appointments, and recovery groups. We also use them to pick up food to feed the residents and guests of our ministry. For information on helping with our transportation, please call Tom Calvert at 863-687-8475 Ext 111.

Kathryn volunteers at Talbot House and shared this wish list from the organization. If anyone wishes to donate any of the needed items, they would be greatly appreciated. Contact Kathryn if you would like more information.

CITRUS RIDGE DECORATIVE ARTISTS

Who's ready to come shop, eat and play?

Bear With Us, Inc. is hosting a get together on **Sunday, November 6, 2016**. We will have all 5 of our booths set up for you to browse and shop.

Bobbie Campbell will be there to do a make it take it for you. She will also have her booths set up in our warehouse. Come take advantage of this shopping time and have fun with your fellow painters!

We will open our doors at 11:00 A.M. We will serve a casual, light lunch around noon and then Bobbie will do her make it take it around 1:00.

Depending on how many show up, we may have to adjust the scheduling a little to have 2 sessions of painting. Please bring your basic paintbrushes with you!!! This is the project that you will be painting.

Bear With Us, Inc.
1331 Green Forest Ct. # 16
Winter Garden, FL 34787
407-347-5939
Bearwithusinc.com



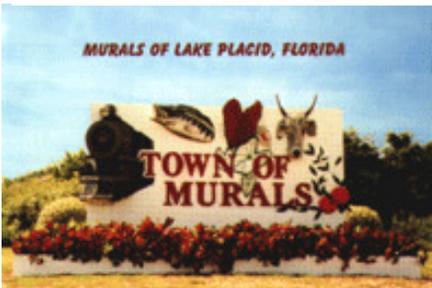
Photos from the Mural Viewing Trip to Lake Placid



Barbara Fowler being eaten by an alligator!
Yikes!



Michelle Mueller, Kathryn Thielen, Elaine Carden, Barb Fowler, and Marie Fowler
This mural is one of many that Barb Fowler’s son-in-law, Keith Goodson, created. Some murals have taken him 6 months to complete.



Fun Day!!!
Part of our Chapter Achievement Award - Educational Tour



Cracker Trail Cattle Drive
Cracker Trail drives traveled just north of Lake Placid on what is now Route 98

2016 Hospitality Schedule

Date & Activity	Will bring dessert or morning snack	Will bring beverage
November 12, 2016 Paint Palette Apron, Bonnie Rand	Morning Snack: Dessert:	

As you can see, there are still some openings. Please let Barbara Layton know what date you would like to provide a Morning Snack, Dessert, or Beverage. Thank you

Photos from the October Chapter Meeting



Mary, we know that is you hiding behind that piece of paper!

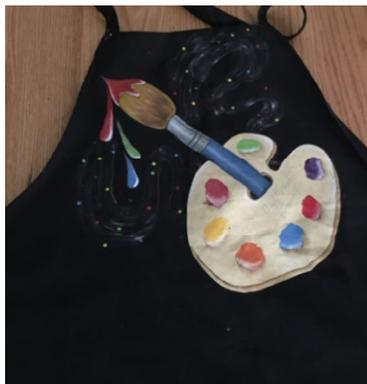


Kathryn was the lucky winner of this very pretty reversible quilt made by Lynda!



Citrus Ridge Decorative Artists

November 12, 2016



“Paint Palette Apron”

Taught by Bonnie Rand

Supplies Needed:

Surface: Cotton apron or other surface of your choice.

Brushes: Assorted acrylic brushes.

Regular Acrylic Painting Supplies

Recommended paint colors:

Light ivory, light mocha, or other pale color for palette background

Sand or Desert Sand (if you prefer a darker palette)

Cadmium Yellow

A bright blue of your choice – Sapphire, Ocean, etc.

True Red or any vibrant red of your choice

Dioxazine Purple

A bright green of your choice – Mistletoe, Christmas Green, etc.

Burnt Sienna

Burnt Umber

A medium green for the brush ferrule

Titanium White

DecoArt Craft Twinkles

Cadmium Orange

Red Violet

Note: These are suggested colors – you may substitute any colors that you prefer.

NOVEMBER PROGRAM SIGN-UP

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Class Fee: _____ Chapter Member, \$15.00 or _____ Guest = \$20.00

Complete this form and send with class fee payment (checks are payable to CRDA) to:

Stephanie Pooler, 120 Beck Street, Winter Haven, FL 33884

Up-Coming Events

Christmas Party

Our chapter Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 11, 2:00 PM, at the Cypress Gardens Mobile Home and RV Park. Please sign up to attend and bring a favorite dish to share. There will also be a gift exchange as in past years.

This is what has been signed up for so far:

Vicki:	Baked cheese appetizer with crackers
Suzi:	Dessert
Lynda:	Broccoli Cauliflower Salad
Barbara L:	Potato Salad
Michelle:	Squash
Kathryn:	Dessert



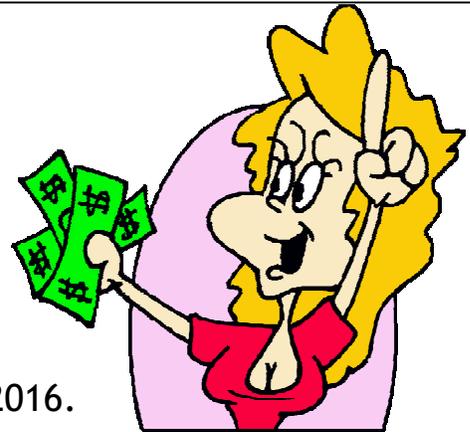
Please let Stephanie know if you will be attending and what you plan to bring so that this list can be updated.

Repurpose / Repaint Luncheon

Kathryn will head the fund raiser for March 11, 2016.

Members are needed to serve on the committee.

Please contact Kathryn.



Meeting will be arranged in early December for brainstorming.

CRDA Member Profiles

Each up-coming issue of the newsletter will highlight two of our chapter members with some basic get-to-know-you information along with a photo. This will be a fun way to get to know our fellow painters a little bit better!

If you haven't already done so, please complete the brief questionnaire that is included on the next page. Then just bring the completed form with you to the next meeting and be ready to smile for a photo. The completed form can also be mailed or e-mailed to Deanna (dcs710@yahoo.com) if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Bonnie Rand

- Winter resident of Winter Haven
- Snowbird from Scarborough, Maine
- SDP member since 2000
- CRDA member since 2010
- Other chapter memberships: Seastrokes of Maine
- Favorite subject to paint: Anything but OneStroke
- Favorite painting medium: All of them!
- Other hobbies: Quilting, Reading
- Some interesting facts about Bonnie:
 - She was coach and choreographer for the 3rd place World Champion Girls' Night Out line dancing team!



Deanna Spence

- Year-round resident of Winter Haven
- SDP member since 2009
- CRDA member since 2009
- Other chapter memberships: Osceola Decorative Artists
- Favorite subject to paint: Flowers, Birds, Still Life
- Favorite painting medium: Oil, Colored Pencil
- Other hobbies: Zentangle, Reading
- Some interesting facts about Deanna:
 - Lives with Molly, the best dog in the world!
 - Enjoys attending Publix Aprons Cooking Schools
 - She works as Quality Manager for an electronic components manufacturer.



Member Profile Questionnaire

Please complete the following questions so that brief bios of our members can be included in our newsletter in the coming months.

Name: _____

Address: _____

____ Year-round Resident

____ Snowbird from _____

SDP Member since: _____

CRDA Member since: _____

Other Chapter Memberships: _____

Favorite Painting Medium(s): _____

Favorite Subject(s) to Paint: _____

Hobbies (besides painting): _____

Other interesting facts about yourself: _____



2017 Membership / Membership Renewal Form

Please print:

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Address: _____

Snowbird address: _____

Home phone # _____ Cell # _____

E-mail address: _____

SDP Membership Number: (Required) _____

How many years have you painted? _____

Birth date: Month _____ Day _____

Skill level: Teacher ___ Home studio ___ Business studio ___ Distributor ___

Your preferred medium: Oil Acrylic Colored Pencil Watercolor

How are you able to work and help our chapter grow?

___ Setup and breakdown at meeting

___ Teach a project

___ Prepare food or clean up food

___ Assist a teacher

___ Paint for the Ways & Means

CRDA dues are \$20.00 to be paid when joining or renewed before the start of the new year.
(\$50.00 must also be paid to the Society of Decorative Painters)

Checks for chapter dues are made out to CRDA

Mail to: Barbara Fowler

1449 S. Highland Park Drive

Lake Wales, Fl. 33898

Membership paid: _____ Membership packet issued: _____

SDP Confirmed: _____ Roster updated: _____