



# BHADA

Black Hills Area Decorative Artists

## *Joyce's Jingle*



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Happy spring everyone.

Let's hope the real spring will soon be here to stay. The egg exchange is always so fun. I never cease to be amazed at the beautiful and creative ideas everyone comes up with. Thanks to Nelda for the challenging game to select our gift bag. Really glad those eggs were unbreakable! Retreat is fast approaching. Linette and Diane gave us a jump start on the Saturday project. With a little homework we will be ready to go. Thank you gals. Sadly, our completed memory box supply is quickly being depleted. We all need to set a goal to complete at least one or more boxes each month to keep supply available. Looking forward to seeing you at Spring retreat.

Joyce

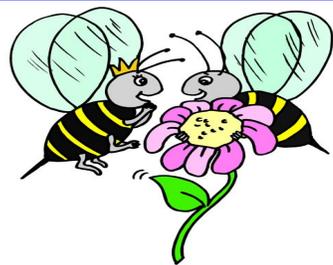
- \* **Spring Retreat April 19-21, 2024 in Whitewood, SD**
- \* **Everyone brings treats to the retreat.**

- \* **Next BHADA Meeting is May 18, 2024 at 9:30 in the Galilee room at Terra Sancta.**

**At the May Meeting we will be painting the quilt squares; bring your so soft paints if you have some.**

**BHADA Pictures that you have taken and would like on the website, please send to Jo Ann our webmaster.**

*Door Prize won by Connie and painted by Luann*



Download from Dreamstime.com

<i>Linda H.</i>	<i>Apr 17</i>
<i>Jo Ann</i>	<i>Apr 21</i>
<i>Luann</i>	<i>Apr 25</i>
<i>Linda K</i>	<i>Apr 26</i>



<b>2024 BHADA OFFICERS</b>
<b>President</b> Joyce V.
<b>Vice-President</b> Membership Connie M.
<b>Secretary</b> Bonnie E
<b>Treasurer</b> Mary Z.
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## Meeting Minutes



17 members of the Black Hills Area Decorative Artists met at Terra Sancta March 16, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Pres. Joyce VS. A motion was made by Jackie H. to approve the minutes of the Feb. meeting. Janae H seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

Spring retreat: Diane reported that 21 are registered for retreat.

Fall Seminar: Jackie showed pictures of the projects voted on and chosen for seminar. She will be checking on surfaces. Dates are Sept. 27, 28, 29.

Hospitality: Treats were furnished by Deb and Linda H. Everyone brings treats for retreat next month.

Newsletter: Luann set the deadline for March 22.

Ways & Means: Linda K. reported that we will be working on the raffle quilt squares at the May Meeting. Jo Ann has the fabric all ready to paint Sandy LeFlore butterflies on 16 blocks. If you have any DecoArt So Soft paints please bring to that session. Quilts will be the theme for table favors and door prizes.

Webmaster: Jo Ann will update the newsletter with seminar and Bunco information.

Holiday Event: Nelda led the egg exchange for the group. FUN was had!!

Memory Boxes: 15 boxes were mailed out in Feb. and 6 were delivered to the RC hospital.

Share and Shine: Those showing new projects were Nelda, Jackie, Connie and Luann. Karol showed 'princess' box painted for a great-granddaughter with a great quote on the bottom of the box. "Be the princess of your own fairy tale."

The door prize that was painted by Luann was won by Connie, who will paint the door prize for May. The meeting was then adjourned to prep our surfaces for the Retreat. THANK YOU Lynette for driving from Gillette to help us!! So fun to learn a new technique.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie E. Secretary





## SHARING MEMORIES



Maybe you never buy a lottery ticket. You have read the odds of winning--and even though you might not consider yourself to be a math whiz--you know you have the same chance as everyone else. It just takes one ticket to win. And the amount of the jackpot!! What a temptation!! Imagine where you could travel, what you could buy, what you could remodel. Plus, with even more than one winner this huge jackpot would make quite an impact on your bank account. Now, to sweeten your chances, you start considering what charities you could donate to, what family members you could gift. And really, you don't ask for tons of favors--but just this once-----.

In case you aren't the lucky winner, you can comfort yourself by recalling the sad stories of former winners whose lives were turned upside down after winning. Family winners and pretend family winners called at all hours of the day or night. When you didn't immediately grant their requests, tempers flared.

At that time, you adopt a new philosophy. Maybe not winning is not so bad. Friends and family are not angry with you. We could avoid all this emotion if only we knew what was going to happen next. We can plan, we can hope, but we are not in control and we must just handle what comes our way. Then we call on our resources to help us deal with the facts of our lives.

While we are accepting the fact that losing the lottery is more likely than winning, let's just calm ourselves and paint a memory box. This is something we have more control over--the pattern and color choices are ours, we are doing a good deed, we are blessed in donating rather than receiving a memory box. Every day life is a blessing. We smile. We are grateful.



## MEMORY BOX ARE ALWAYS NEEDED

**Thank you Lynette for leading us in painting background for our Spring Retreat project**

**Fun Game For the Egg Exchange**



**Our Easter Egg Exchange  
Such Beautiful Eggs**



**Show & Share projects that  
were painted by members  
and shared.**

**Memory boxes**



## BHADA Committee Chairs For 2024

Memory Box Program – Bonnie and Mary  
 Membership - Connie  
 Hospitality – Linda K  
 Monthly Programs – Betty B.  
 Ways & Means – Linda K & Nelda  
 Fall Seminar – Jackie & Diane  
 Spring Retreat 2024 – Jackie, Sally & Diane  
 Webmaster & Facebook – Jo Ann  
 Holiday Exchange – Nelda  
 Newsletter – Luann & Janae  
 Sharing Memories—Mary  
 Publicity - Karol J  
 Audit - Janae & Luann

## Monthly Programs For 2024

January 20	Bonnie E. Vet ornaments
February 17	Debby C.
March 16	Easter Egg Exchange
April 19-21	Spring Retreat
May 18	Bunco Raffle project
June 15	Jackie
August 17	Linda H.
September 26-29	Fall Seminar
October 19	Bunco Party
November 16	Sally & Diane
December 21	Christmas Exchange- Everyone Bring Treats

## HOSPITALITY LIST 2024

January 20	Linda K. & Connie
February 17	Janae & Luann
March 16	Linda H & Deb
April 19-21	Everyone Brings Treat
May 18	Diane & Sally
June 15	Karol & Jackie
August 17	Dorothy & Joyce
September 26-29	Everyone Brings Treats
October 19	Everyone Brings Cookies
November 16	Mary & Deb
December 21	Christmas Exchange-- Everyone bring Treats Installation of officers



We now  
 have 62  
 ornaments  
 turned in!  
 We are  
 getting  
 close to  
 done!





## Bunco Update SHAKING, SHARING AND STITCHING



A hand painted quilt, painted by members and put together by member Jo Ann, will be our raffle item. We will be painting our quilt squares at our May meeting and we will be using fabric So Soft paints. Bonnie and Jo Ann will be furnishing paints. If anyone else has So Soft paints please bring them to May meeting.

We will be handing out our wooden squares for table favors and canvas pieces with patterns for door prizes at the retreat in April.

Any questions contact  
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Great Idea for a Memory Box