RUMBLINGS FROM ROMY

Happy April Fellow Artists,

I would like to wish you all a very Blessed Easter.

I want to thank all of you for making the transition changes in our Board so easy. I truly hope I make a good President for our chapter. I know Charlie will be missed. I have big shoes to fill.

I am so proud and blessed to belong to such a wonderful organization. Our Memory Box program is such an inspiration and what a beautiful gift from the heart we give to grieving parents. You are such talented artists. Your work amazes me on how beautiful it is. You all are so giving of your time to help others. I want to personally thank you all for you help in helping me become better in my artwork.

I am looking forward to our Spring Seminar: April 17-18-19 - Safari Time - Bring on the animals...

Please remember I am only an email or phone call away. I am always open for ideas, compliments and complaints.

See you on the 17th..

Romy Thomas

Purpose of the Society of Decorative Painters:
“The purpose of the Society shall be to stimulate interest in and appreciation for decorative painting; to raise the quality of the art form; and to serve as a central dissemination point for information concerning decorative painting.”

BUNCO

Just a reminder Bunco will be held Saturday October 18, 2015 at the Elks Club. Please be painting for prizes and door prizes. We will again do the Silent Auction, Raffle and 50/50. We will also be selling our cards.

We will also incorporate Decorative Painting Month with this event.

More details in newsletters and at the meetings.

Linda H., Romy and Linda K
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BHADA HAPPENINGS

♦ Retreat April 17-19, 2015

♦ Next meeting May 16, 2015 at Terra Sancta.

♦ Pat K.. will be teaching Memory Box in May

♦ Bunco Date October 18

RUMMAGE SALE AT RETREAT
Bring your items you would like to donate to the sale. Proceeds goes to Memory Box Program

FALL SEMINAR 2015 is September 11, 12 & 13. We will be enjoying Chris Haughey as our teacher this year. She is coming from Ohio. Chris majored in Fine Art (oil painting) from the Ohio University. After college, she sold paintings in furniture stores and restaurants. In 1987 she started her decorative painting and woodworking business, Cupboard Distributing. Check out Chris Haughey's website at: www.cdwood.com.

Be Painting gifts for Bunco! Every BHADA Member should paint at least two painted items to be donated for the Bunco

Happy Birthday

Molly F  April 11
Linda H.  April 17
Jo Ann C.  April 21
Luann B.  April 25
Linda K.  April 26

Luanne

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. by President Romy T. There were 20 members present and no guests.

By-Laws were reviewed regarding the Elections section #2c and #2d. Stating that in the event that a current President cannot serve out their term, the Vice President shall step into that office as President. With the office of Vice President open, Molly moved and Pat seconded to place Jo Ann in the office with the knowledge that this will not automatically move her to President. As per By-Laws, an election will have to be held in November to elect a new Vice President/President Elect. Motion carried.

Minutes: It was moved that minutes be approved with one change: the Bunco date is October 18. Linda H. moved and Carol D. second. Motion carried.

Board minutes were read from February. Explanation was given regarding our reinstatement of non-profit status with IRS. This reinstatement is being pursued by Dave Claggett, attorney, and Jerry Ericson, CPA with Jo Ann as facilitator.

It was noted by President Romy that minutes are to be published in newsletter as written no matter the length.

Treasurer’s Report: Deb reported $4437.71 in our main account; $564.62 in the Memory Box account; and $29.65 in savings (as required by the Credit Union). Clarification was asked for regarding Memory Box expenses from December being paid in January. Pat moved and Betty second motion to approve Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.

President Romy called for a Board meeting at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, April 17 at Terra Sancta. A General Meeting will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 18 for all members.

Committee Reports:

Decorative Painting Month: this will be held during our Bunco event. Members will bring finished items for display.

Spring Retreat: Registration is due March 30. Treat sign-up sheet was passed. Set-up will begin at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, April 16 at Terra Sancta. Members need to be aware that the current Spring Retreat committee is retiring and another committee will have to be formed.

Fall Seminar: 2015 is Chris Haughey. She will bring items to sell such as brushes, packets, etc. We can buy her surface for wholesale or we can bring our own for her projects. Projects from which to choose were displayed. Present members voted and pictures for all three projects are on the web site Seminar page. 2016 will be Jamie Mills Price. Luanne has contacted teachers for 2017 such as:

- Sandy LaFlore at $400.00 a day - [http://www.justfinedesigns.com/](http://www.justfinedesigns.com/)
- Kim Hauge at $500.00 - [www.heavenlyheartcreations.com](http://www.heavenlyheartcreations.com)
- And Paula Leopold at $600.00 - [http://www.paulaleopold.com/](http://www.paulaleopold.com/).

Please look over these artists’ websites so we can discuss at next meeting.

Historian: Evie tells us the book is up to date and in the library.

Parliamentarian/Library: Molly had not report.

Hospitality: March was Carol D. and Luanne. April is everyone for Retreat. Don’t forget what you signed up for on the list. If you would like to bring something else in addition to that is fine.

Monthly Program: Betty reminded us that March was Carol D.; no program for April; and May is Pat.

**Reminder: each monthly program needs to be explained in the prior newsletter with a list of paints to bring, a picture if possible, and any other directions we may need to prep prior to meeting.

Newsletter: Luanne said deadline is March 27.

Ways & Means: October 18 is Bunco day. Prizes are needed from members. We have very few to date.

Webmaster: all is ok. By-Laws will be published on web site as soon as they are finalized by membership.

Wild Bills: sheet was passed.

Christmas Exchange: in progress and coming along fine.

Old Business: *By-Laws and Standing Rules need to be thoroughly reviewed by members. Please e-mail Romy anything you would on the agenda to be reviewed and discussed by the members. *memawromy@gmail.com* If there are any other issues you would like placed on the agenda, please send those to Romy via e-mail as well.

*Lunches on meeting days: Betty moved and Linda H. second that rather than take a count and collect money for lunch, we just brown bag it to simplify our lives. Motion carried.

*Chapter Pin designs were displayed. There were 4-5 from which to choose and vote with quarters. Betty’s design one by a bank slide. You will remember this as the original design. Congratulations to Betty and her lobbying friends from afar.

New Business: If you have opinions or issues you would like raised, please visit with a Board member or the President so those can be addressed and the Chapter can work them out. Remember, agenda items need to be presented to the President prior to the meeting in which you would like them addressed.

*Memory Box fund raising ideas were presented by Peggy and Connie such as using RC Chamber of Commerce to distribute a pamphlet on behalf of BHADA with an event that would raise funds; a jeans day or craft day; there were some Doctors Connie had talked to about the MB program that may be interested in donating. These ideas are very much appreciated and were tabled until next meeting.

Show and Share: Linda H., Romy, Linda K, Luanne B, Nelda, Sally, Carol D, Janae, Cindy, Betty

Memory Box Drawing: Winner were Deb, Nelda, Molly

Door Prize Drawing: Nelda won – she will paint for the April meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Egg Exchange and Carol D’S MB Bunny wrapped the day.
Spring is here and she brought sunshine and warmer weather to us. YAY!!

The March meeting of BHADA brought much needed income to the Memory Box Program. $104.75 was brought in from the ‘quarters’ contest for new/original club pin. An additional $24.85 was given to the Memory Box ‘Donation Box’. This box is available at all meetings near the Memory Box table. If you wish to make a donation, but cannot attend a meeting, you may send your donation with Bonnie, Pat or any member who will be at the meetings.

In February Bonnie mailed 12 Memory Boxes. These went to Michigan and South Dakota. Note: She probably mailed more, but I don’t have the full list. I will check with her when she returns from her trip and put any update in next month’s newsletter.

Information from the International Memory Box Team: “Between August 2014 and January 2015 we received a total of 891 requests and were only able to ship 814 boxes, in addition to that 185 boxes were hand delivered by artists to hospitals in their area.” Note: BHADA provided 300 of those boxes during this same period.

The free pattern this month is a darling little “Valentine Bear” which is a free pattern by Susan Kelley at http://www.puddlesofpaint.com I hope you will enjoy painting this on a Memory Box.

We want to thank all of you who have painted Memory Boxes, made donations or who have promoted our Memory Box Program in any other way. Your efforts are truly appreciated!

Pat

Fill the Need...Paint a Memory Box
FALL SEMINAR

The votes are in for the Fall 2015 Seminar. We will be painting the Jingle arch sign on Friday. Metal embossed panel Hydrangea/Paris on Saturday, and the 10" Wood Snowflake on Sunday. I will get more information out at a later date as to prep etc.

We are also looking for a seminar teacher for 2017. I have contacted several possible teachers. Please check out their websites to see who you would like to come.

1. Janelle Johnson $450/day (colored pencils): [www.janellejohnson.com](http://www.janellejohnson.com)
2. Kim Hogue $500/day (mixed media): [www.heavenlyheartcreations.com](http://www.heavenlyheartcreations.com)
3. Paula Leopold $600/day (colored pencil, acrylic, watercolor): [www.paulaleopold.com](http://www.paulaleopold.com)
4. Sandy Leflore $400/day: [www.justfinedesigns.com](http://www.justfinedesigns.com). Her seminar agreement I received states a one or two day seminar. Would have to check into her doing 3 days.
5. Patricia Rawlinson gave no reply to my email or message on website. [www.creativeartslifestyle.com](http://www.creativeartslifestyle.com)
6. Shirley Koenig also no reply. [www.countrysedge.com](http://www.countrysedge.com)

Just letting you know I sent a request for info just now to Tina Sue Norris, one of the others on the sheet Luann had given me. :)

If you have someone else, please let me know.
Luanne T.

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What a great ideal! Attach your hand sanitizer to your water basin so it is always handy to put on you brushes!

Thanks for this ideal Betty!

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REMEMBER

- Gather items for the retreat rummage sale
- Be painting projects for the Bunco fundraiser.
- Be reading over the BHADA Bylaws
FALL SEMINAR PROJECTS
FOR 2015

FRIDAY’S PROJECT

SATURDAY’S PROJECT

SUNDAY’S PROJECT
Paint for Retreat

The Retreat committee will be bringing paints for the projects, but will only have one or two bottles of a color. So if you would like to bring some of your own paints so you don't have to look for bottles, here are some color ideals:

Earth tone colors will be good: Browns, tans, greens, reds, orange, yellows and blues. Also black and white.

Papa and Me/Lion and Cub Class

Bring regular painting supplies. You will use a liner, rake (or santa beard brush) and your normal assortment of brushes. Paints will be available but if you want your own:

- Raw Sienna
- Burnt Sienna
- Raw Umber
- Straw
- Orange
- Yellow Ochre
- Buttermilk
- Midnight blue (a dark blue)
- Black
- White

For other projects you will need or may want:
- Masking tape
- Scissors

Deb C.

Rummage Sale At Retreat

Please bring any painting items that you no longer want to the retreat to be put on the Rummage table. All money from the rummage sale will go to the Memory Box Program.

Examples of items to bring are: painting surfaces (wood, glass, metal, etc.), paint, pattern books, or paint brushes.
This isn’t really a news item, but if anybody wants some goose size eggs for painting, I found some really nice ones at the north side Wal-mart. They are mixed in with the small plastic colored eggs and all of the other Easter goodies...easy to miss. Can get either white or colored. Cost is $0.97—can’t go wrong with the price.

Peggy H.