



BHADA

Black Hills Area Decorative Artists



Jack's Rambles



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Here we are in May already and there sits all my "was gonnas". Will get right on those Memory Boxes!

I hope everyone who attended Spring Retreat had as much fun as I did. What a blast 😂! Projects were a ton of fun. All the same patterns and each piece unique in it's own beautiful way. Great job painters AND retreat committee. NOW, the rest of us (yes, me too) must consider giving the committee their well deserved rest before *they are really committed!*

At our May Meeting, Diane will be teaching us a "cute as a bug in a rug" project. Please plan on joining us on May 20! Let's fill the room again and be scrambling for more seating space.

Don't forget to be working on Bunco door prizes and Veteran's ornaments. Welcome Spring with Joy.....**Love Jackie**

To get ideas for Memory Box designs, Google "free baby animal clipart" or "free baby clipart" or "free angel clipart" or free teddy bear clipart". I always double check that the downloading is free. Click on what you want until it is a single item on your screen. Save it to your

Memory Box designs folder.

Then when I'm going to use it, I print out the design on vellum and I start to paint.



**2023 BHADA OFFICERS: President Jackie;
VP Membership Joyce;
Secretary Bonnie; Treasurer Mary; Newsletter Jo Ann**

Spring Retreat 2023



Annual Spring Retreat 2023



No April Meeting Minutes



Report from Jackie on UFO painting: The Whitewood City Council voted to allow BHADA a 50% rate. This means a Friday (after 4:30), Saturday and Sunday would cost us \$100. There is a little bar next door that offers food. It has catered for our Community Club before, possibly for Saturday night or we could do a "planned pot-luck". The Hall has a kitchen, nothing to write home about, but has a nice fridge and workable stove.

The Iron Horse Inn is approx. 1 mile from the Hall. Winter rates this year (for us) would be \$55 for a room with 2 queen beds in each.

There is a Historic B&B on Main Street. I don't know how many it could sleep or if the commons room would be large enough for all to paint. Nice thing would be that we would all be in the same building like we are at Terra Sancta. I will continue to look into that. JH

May Birthdays
Happy Birthday,
Ladies!!

Nelda 5/3
Betty 5/5
Evie 5/8
Dorothy 5/29

From Deb:

"The printable vellum sheets
came from the Paper Junkie."
(You can also find some on
Amazon. JC)





SHARING MEMORIES



May is a month of anticipation and hope as well as a month of completion. For gardeners, the catalogue pages are marked, maybe the garden plot is tilled or maybe it is too soon. Can you tell I'm not a gardener? But I am an appreciator of gardeners--especially those who have successful crops of tomatoes.

May is also a month of completion because the school year is over or almost over. High school and college are holding graduation ceremonies. There are new life steps planned and the real world awaits.

Whether planting, tilling, watering, modeling a cap and gown or choosing a college dorm bedspread or a career path, May is a time of making memories.

Our memory box recipients also had a plan--a hope--a new future in mind. But those dreams were not successful and they are in a dark place with a heavy heart.

But the members of BHADA have spent many years thinking of how we might help. We decorate the boxes and fill them with love, compassion and hope for a successful future family for them. When the boxes are received, mementos can be added, and the memory boxes held and carried home. We smile with the giving and hope that they will bring a smile along with tears for these families in the years to come.



MEMORY BOXES ARE ALWAYS NEEDED

BHADA Committee Chairs 2023

Memory Box Program – Bonnie and Mary
 Membership - Joyce
 Hospitality – Deb
 Monthly Programs – Betty
 Ways & Means – Linda K, & Nelda
 Fall Seminar – Luann & Janae & Diane
 Spring Retreat 2023 – Bonnie & Deb & Diane
 Webmaster & Facebook – Jo Ann
 Holiday Exchange – Nelda
 Newsletter – Jo Ann
 By-Laws—Jackie
 Sharing Memories—Mary

Monthly Programs For 2023

January 21	Bonnie E. Vet ornaments
February 18	Linda & Sally
March 18	Egg Exchange Jackie
April 14, 15, 16	Spring Retreat
May 20	Diane
June 17	Betty
August 19	Deb
September 15-17	Fall Seminar {Shara Reiner}
October 21	Bunco Party
November 18	Jo Ann
December 17	Christmas Exchange- Everyone Bring Treats

HOSPITALITY LIST 2023

January 21	Janae & Luann
February 18	Connie & Deb
March 18	Sally & Diane
April 14, 15, 16	Everyone Brings Treats
May 20	Mary & Karol
June 17	Betty & Rita
August 19	Dorothy & Joyce
September 15, 16, 17	Everyone Brings Treats
October 21	Everyone Brings Cookies
November 18	Linda H. & Diane & Sally
December 17	Christmas Exchange-- Everyone bring Treats Installation of officers

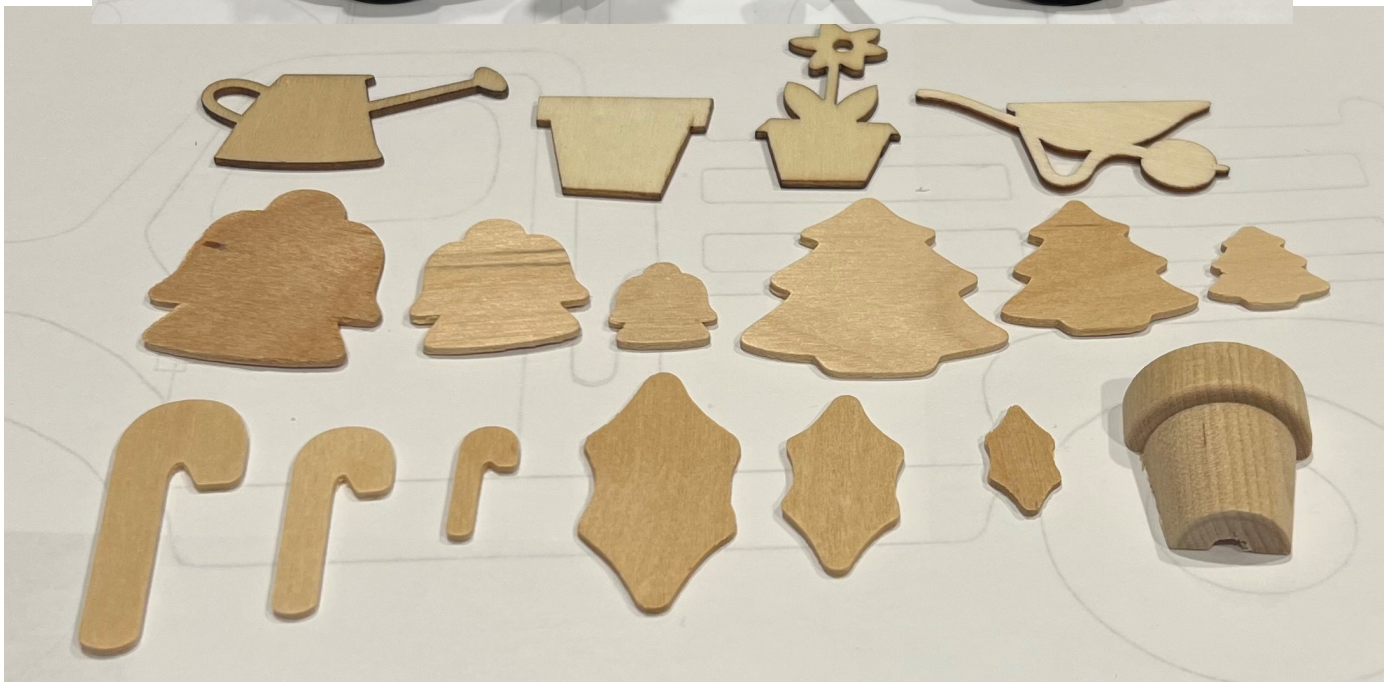


May M-I-T-I by Diane

The Trucks will be base coated red, black & burlap for you, so you can start right away having fun!

These are an assortment of decorations I have for the trucks. A bag for each person. Bring whatever colors you would like to use for your embellishments. I will bring a variety of colors too.

Project main colors: Santa Red, Lamp Black, Burlap, Burnt Sienna, Burnt Umber, French Grey Blue, Graphite, Metallic Silver, Hot Shot Red or Highlite Red, and Antique Maroon



Recipes for BHADA

Slow Cooker Broccoli Cheese Soup from Dorothy

>> 1/3 c. butter, sliced
>> 1-1/2 C chopped yellow onion
>> 2 cloves garlic, minced
>> 6 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
>> salt & freshly ground pepper
>> 2 (12 oz) cans evaporated milk
>> 5 C. low-sodium chicken broth
>> 5 C small diced broccoli florets
>> 1/8 tsp dried thyme
>> 1/2 C heavy cream
>> 12 oz. sharp cheddar cheese, freshly shredded
>> 2 oz. parmesan cheese, freshly & finely shredded
Melt butter in large skillet over med. heat. Add onions and sauté until soft. Add garlic, flour, and season lightly with salt and pepper then cook, stirring constantly, 2 min. While whisking, slowly pour in evaporated milk. Whisk well to smooth.
>> Cook mixture, stirring constantly until it begins to thicken then pour into a slow cooker along with chicken broth, broccoli and thyme. Cover with lid and cook on low for 5-6 hours.
>> Turn heat to warm (or off) and stir in heavy cream, then add in shredded cheddar cheese and parmesan cheese and stir to blend. Season with salt & pepper to taste. Serve warm.



SAVE THE DATE

Black Hills Area Decorative Artists
Annual Artists' Education Fundraiser

Bunco Event Saturday, October 21, 2023

1:00-4:00 PM at the Moose Club

St. Patrick Street, Rapid City, South Dakota

Registration: \$15.00

All prizes are Hand Painted by BHADA members

Raffles, 50/50 \$\$, Silent Auction, Door Prizes for Everyone!!

Call Linda at 605-484-7628 to reserve your spot!



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