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CONNIE'S COMMENTS



The seminar has come and gone, but wow, what a lot of painting to complete! Diane and Sally did an awesome job putting it all together and thank you so much for your labor intensive job as committee chairs. Also thank you to everyone of the behind the scenes assistants. I believe Luann and Janae provided shuttle service to the airport for Lisbeth and luggage. The treat table was so full of yummy goodies to top off the daily menus of delicious meals. It was fun to see the members and their spin on the 3 chosen patterns. (Speaking up as a slow painter, I have a lot to catch up on.)

Next is the Bunco get together for October and our \$20.00 membership fee is due. The raffle tickets are needing to be sold and turned in, so bring all of them to our Bunco party along with your cookies on October 18th at the Moose Lodge. Remember that lunch will be served after the set up is complete.

Welcome fall and I'm lighting my pumpkin spice candle with hopes the tole fairy will help finish my projects!

See you in October, Connie

*** Next BHADA Meeting is Nov 16, 2025 at 9:30 at
Whitewood SD in the Fire Hall.**

**October 18, Bunco at the Moose Lodge in
Rapid City, SD**

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

Slate Of Officers For 2026

President – Janae H.
Vice-President – Deb C.
Secretary – Betty B.
Treasurer – Mary Z.



This water basin was left at the April Retreat. If it is yours; Diane has it and would love to get it back to you.



Lisbeth with the BG necklace we gave her.



Kimber H.

Oct 15



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If you have any Veteran's ornaments that you are painting, Please finish them and get them to Bonnie. They will be giving them out very soon.

Thanks



For Diane M. granddaughter, Dakota

Dakota has to have a procedure on October 9th for a heart issue. She is 14 and in excellent health plays hockey and softball. They have found she has an irregular heart issue that gives her a shock to her heart at certain times. On the 9th of October they will be going in through both of her legs and trying to stop the irregular shock she gets to her heart. They will cauterize the area and they say it's 95% successful rate. She is still playing hockey and everything else, but she had to stop last Sunday because of an episode. My daughter called me Sunday morning before seminar and told me she had another episode. She is good and healthy other than this issue. Diane will be going there on the 8th of October so she can be there during her surgery. Dakota wants grandma to be there and as any grandma would be, Diane will be there! Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Thank you!

BUNCO FOR RITA

YES, it is fast approaching October 18!

Are you selling your raffle tickets? SELL, SELL.

Are you getting people interested in playing Bunco with us? I only have 3 tables full. We would like to have at least 10 tables, more would be better and more fun.

RITA WILL BE WATCHING OVER US. Let's make this a great tribute to Rita.

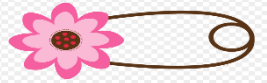
Don't forget we will have lunch.

Thanks to all of you!

Linda and Nelda



SHARING MEMORIES



I have been walking down memory lane recently. My son and his wife came for a visit and we toured the hills. I am not a very good tourist guide because when my husband worked at Pepsi, he knew all about back roads and scenic spots. I rode along and enjoyed the scenery. With the help of modern technology in my son's car, we had a delightful time. However, I remain puzzled about the placement of port-a-potties on a winding, hilly narrow two lane road with about a two-foot shoulder. I guess, when nature calls, you stop the car in the road, use the facility, then exit it and hope there isn't an angry line of exasperated traffic.

Our seminar is also a reminder of the history of BHADA. Betty's newspaper clipping was delightful to read. Our memories were refreshed (and they often need refreshing, or is that only me). Luckily, the collective memories of the group are necessary to fill in the gaps about time, place, seminar teacher, new painting suppliers, painting conventions in other areas.

I have lived a long life and stored up many memories and I feel so sad about the young parents who have lost a child and will only have very few memories of a glorious event, cut short. Also, any grandparents feel the pain for themselves as well as for their children as they deal with their loss. We wish we could ease their pain.

But, we are not helpless. We can do something. Our kind hearts can help us reach for a paintbrush and use it to decorate a memory box. We can help a smile interrupt their tears. Over the years, other tears and smiles will follow. Let's make a difference!!

MEMORY BOXES ARE ALWAYS NEEDED

BHADA Committee Chairs For 2025

Memory Box Program – Bonnie
and Mary
Membership - Janae & Deb
Hospitality – Linda K
Monthly Programs – Betty B.
Ways & Means – Linda K & Nelda
Fall Seminar – Diane & Sally
Spring Retreat 2025 – Diane &
Sally
Webmaster & Facebook – Jo Ann
Holiday Exchange – Nelda
Newsletter – Luann
Sharing Memories—Mary
Publicity - Karol J
Audit - Dorothy and Karol

Monthly Programs For 2025

January 18	Bonnie E. Vet ornaments
February 15	Debby C.
March 15	Easter Egg Exchange
April 25-27	Spring Retreat
May 17	Jo Ann
June 21	Cindy R.
August 16	Bonnie
September 19-21	Fall Seminar
October 18	Bunco Party
November 15	Jo Ann
December 20	Christmas Exchange-- Everyone Bring Treats

HOSPITALITY LIST 2025

January 18	Linda K. & Karol
February 15	Connie & Sally
March 15	Deb & Dorothy
April 25-27	Everyone Brings Treat
May 17	Rita & Betty
June 21	Diane & Jackie
August 16	Dorothy & Joyce
September 19-21	Everyone Brings Treats
October 18	Everyone Brings Cookies
November 15	Mary & Deb
December 20	Christmas Exchange-- Everyone bring Treats Installation of officers

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

Ceramic ornaments were handed out at the meeting. If you want to participate in the exchange but did not get an ornament; Nelda will have them at the seminar or contact her to get one.



CUTE IDEA FOR A MEMORY BOX



2025 BHADA FALL SEMINAR

Great time had by all



Lisbeth & our Wonderful Committee, Diane & Sally



One on One time



Eve & Deb



Diane & Sally



Lynette & Nelda



Linda & Bonnie



Jackie & Karol



Connie & Cindy



Bonnie & Sue



Janae & Luann



Rita & Betty



Mary & Cindy



Dorothy

Memory Boxes

