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(2 Positions Open)

Fall is coming, soon the leaves will be changing to the amazing display of color we are afforded every year, in this wonderful state.

For those of you who don't know, this will be my last letter as president.

As always, we would love you to consider accepting a position on the board. Without you, your voice, energy, ideas, and feedback, the chapter will not change, or grow.

Judy and Lynne have done an amazing job in Education, and I, for one hope they will continue for a while :). The chapter would not exist without all the hard work that Louise does. Why not talk to her, and see if you can help in some way? Jeanine Reimer has done an awesome job on Sunshine for many years; and I again, hope she continues on. Linda Wing, Membership, is another person that I cannot thank enough for her efforts.

I know I will forget someone, because so many people stepped up for many things this year.

We have Donnah to be president for next year, but that is a 1 year 'stint', do you want to step up? Consider being Vice President. It is a great way to get involved, have your voice heard and not a lot of specific responsibility.

This has been a great year for the chapter. We hosted what will be the very last Michigan Mixer. Laura Madison allowed a massive takeover of her house for MONTHS! and kept things on track. Jeanne Ladd and Jane Brinkman, thank you as well for all the help you were in pulling it off. It would not every have happened without Judy and Dave, Lynne, Louise, Linda, Nancy, Bonnie, Coila, Jeanine, Jeanne, thank you all for your hard work and creativity.

(Continued below)

It's time to renew your WMDA membership for 2020. Please send your \$15 dues in to Linda Wing ASAP.



(President's letter, continued)

September, we hosted the wonderful Sherry Nelson. That was a special treat.

I just really hope that each of you realize how truly lucky we are in our chapter to have the talents of folks like Lynne, Judy, Jeanne, and Louise. Those folks sharing their time and talents to teach us is really a treasure.

It is time to renew your membership, both in the Chapter and in SDP. There are many flaws with the national organization, and many will grumble about it, but like anything else, you get out of it what you put into it.

Without SDP, I would have never found out about WMDA, I would never have made any of the amazing friends (that is all of you wonderful people) that I have, and I have met people from around the world from SDP that I would have never had an opportunity to meet any other way.

Have a wonderful fall, keep creating!

Kathy Blough,
2019 President

September Birthdays



6th Bonnie Phebus

October Birthdays



10th Cathleen Hahn
11th Lynne Deptula
16th Penny Blair
22nd Tanya Guy
23rd Jean Ladd
31st Coila Kennedy

November Birthdays



2nd Laura Madison
16th Joan Haydamacker
30th Jeanne Collick

December Birthdays

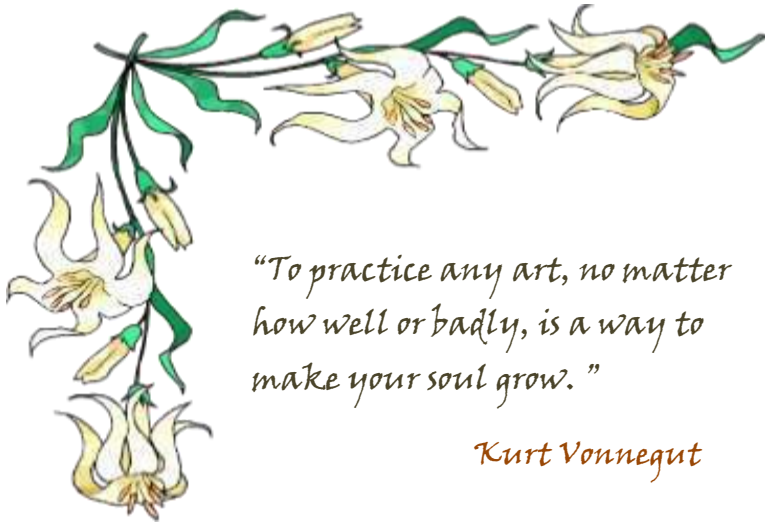


16th Kathy Blough
17th Marcia Lengkeek
29th Jeanine Reimer



Tis the season for Craft shows & Art shows. Anytime you are out and about, why not invite folks to come to the Chapter? Do you like talking to folks? Ask them to join us! Anytime you meet an artist out there in the 'real world' ask them to come on down! Give them our website URL:

<http://www.hastingscountry.com/wmda2.html>



"To practice any art, no matter how well or badly, is a way to make your soul grow."

Kurt Vonnegut

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We accept dues, event & supply payments with PayPal.

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www.hastingscountry.com/PayPal.html

Important Notices & Deadlines – Please Read!

October 1 – Deadline to order gourds for Jeanne Collick's class – October 19

November 1 – Deadline to order pillows for Lynne Deptula's class – November 16

November 25 – Deadline for reservations for our December 7 Christmas Luncheon

New Member Incentive - First time visitors will not have to pay a class fee. They just need to get us a registration, so we can be sure to have packets and a head count for the paint-ins. They will still need to have brushes, surface and supplies, just like normal, but we want to get more folks to join us.

Message from our new President:

Hi this is Donnah J

I am pleased to let you know that I will be your new President this coming year. I am looking for great things this year. I'm asking all our members to really consider supporting our chapter. Hope to see our numbers up this year at each of our painting.

Donnah J.



Tired of having everything decided for you?

Tired of being left out of the "loop"?

Want to add your 2¢ worth?

Contact Kathy Blough at 269-795-7238 or email her at kathy29hand@yahoo.com

NOW and volunteer to be a
2020 Chapter officer!

Your Chapter needs all the help it can get!

Be sure to check out our Facebook pages:

WMDA: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/496185720421022/>

Feel free to post anything painting (project photos, classes) related there.

"Michigan Mixer, What Is Happening In Decorative Painting!"

See what is going on around the state:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/813088055449935/>

Saturday, October 19, 9:30 am
Acrylics & Quik Wood on Gourd by Jeanne Collick
“Peek-A-Boo Gourd”

Location: Hobby Lobby, 4250 28th St. S.E.; Kentwood, MI 49512-1906



This project is Jeanne’s adorable HOOT project. It is 6.5” x 6”

Supplies requested: Usual Acrylic painting supplies plus dry brush, angle brushes, Exact-o knife.-

Paint: Brilliant Purple, Burnt Orange, Burnt Sienna, Cadmium Red, Olive Green (or Blue), Golden Straw, Jack-O-Lantern Orange, Lamp Black, Orange Twist, Snow White, Spiced Pumpkin, Warm Beige

Surface: Surface fee includes prepped gourd, Quik Wood, hat, hair, and dowels

For more information, contact Lynne Deptula at **616-940-1899** or email: **dbrush1@aol.com**

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Please sign me up for Jeanne Collick’s gourd class October 19, 2019

Total Class fees (check to WMDA): \$20 **Non-members add \$5**

Project fee (check to Jeanne Collick) \$23 – **DEADLINE TO ORDER OCTOBER 1, 2019**

Name: _____ Address: _____

E~mail address: _____ Phone #: _____

Send checks to: Judy Diephouse, 9796 Myers Lake Ave, Rockford, MI 49341

Saturday, November 16, 2019, 9:30 am

“Holiday Tree Pillow”

Original design taught by Lynne Deptula

Location: Hobby Lobby, 4250 28th St. S.E.; Kentwood, MI 49512-1906



Lynne taught this wonderful fabric project at HOOT in July. Don't miss out on this fun class.

Lynne will teach this adorable design on a 12 x 16 pillow. You may bring your own surface – Lynne will bring acrylic colors if needed. She is providing the fabric paints also. Base color is Black.

Supplies requested: Usual Acrylic or Fabric painting supplies – depending on your choice of surface.
Regular acrylic brushes: #4 round, #1/2 & 3/4 flats, #2 liner. Bring board for under fabric.

Paint: Will be provided

For more information, contact Lynne Deptula at **616-940-1899** or email: **dbrush1@aol.com**

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Please sign me up for Holiday Tree Pillow with Lynne Deptula, November 16, 2019

Total Class fees (check to WMDA): \$20 **Non-members add \$5**

Pillow with insert (check to Lynne Deptula): \$15 – **DEADLINE TO ORDER PILLOW NOVEMBER 1**

Name: _____ Address: _____

E~mail address: _____ Phone #: _____

Send checks to: Judy Diephouse, 9796 Myers Lake Ave, Rockford, MI 49341



WMDA Christmas Luncheon

Saturday, December 7, 1 pm, at the

Brann's Steakhouse & Grille
5510 28th St SE, Grand Rapids
(616) 285-7800

Menu:

<https://www.branns.com/menu/lunch/>

Don't forget to bring your Mystery Wood,
and a painted Christmas ornament for
exchange (optional).

Please contact Donnah Jakubowski at

616-540-1091 or <mailto:dommahj@att.net> by

November 25, if you would like to attend.

WMDA Elections for 2020

We will be holding our annual **election of officers** at the Christmas luncheon.

Please consider running for one of our Board positions. We really could use some help.

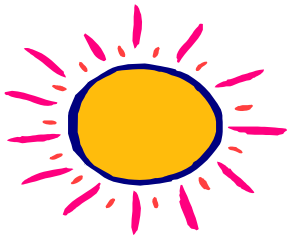
Current officers are listed on the newsletter masthead.

SHOW & TELL

What have you been painting? Why not bring it to the next meeting? Tell us how you did it or whose pattern it is. Have you taken a great class? Would you like to see that teacher come to WMDA? This is what Show and Tell is all about. Won't you share a project with everyone?

We could also use some delightful Raffle items or Door Prize items at our meetings to raise money and make someone's day really special.





Sunshine Report

If you know of any Chapter member that needs a card or prayers,
please contact Jeanine Reimer, our Sunshine Ambassador

2019 WMDA Schedule - mark your calendars

September 20-22: Sherry Nelson Seminar - Oils

October 8-13: New England Traditions Convention; Massachusetts

October 19: "Peek-A-Boo Pumpkin Gourd," Jeanne Collick - Acrylics

October 20-26: Oklahoma Painting Palooza, Oklahoma City <https://okcpaintingpalooza.com/>

***November 16:** "Christmas Pillow," Lynne Deptula - Fabric paints

December 7: Christmas Luncheon

Tentative 2020 Schedule – SAVE THE DATES – Please advise if you see any conflicts No teachers are set – please contact Lynne Deptula if you are interested in teaching.

January	-	No meeting due to weather
February 15	-	Meeting
February 16- 21		Las Vegas Creative Painting Convention – Las Vegas
March 21	-	Meeting
April 12	-	Easter
April 18	-	Meeting
May 10	-	Mother's Day
May 16	-	Meeting
June 21	-	Father's Day
June	-	No meeting due to graduation and wedding parties
July 18	-	Meeting
August	-	No meeting due to vacations
September 19	-	Meeting
October 10	-	Meeting
October 11 – 16	-	New England Traditions Convention – Massachusetts
October 17 - 24	-	Oklahoma Painting Palooza – Oklahoma
November 21	-	Meeting
December 5?	-	Christmas Luncheon (could be December 12)

Sneak Peek

2020 Upcoming projects:



“Happy Sampler Porch Broom”

Original design

Taught Lynne Deptula

Acrylics

Date tentative



Happening around the State in 2019

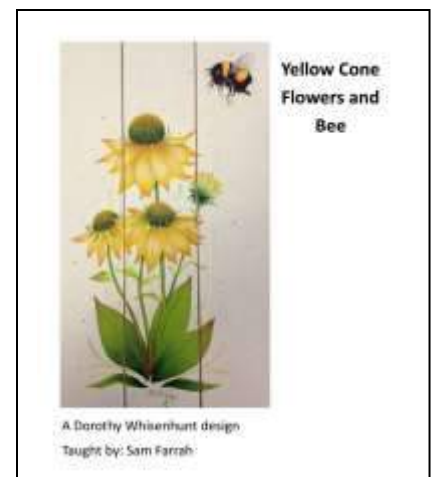
NEDA – contact Luana Dueweke luanadueweke@chartermi.net

Arlene Newman Seminar
October 10, 11 and 12, 2019
Grand Traverse Mall, Traverse City MI

Heritage Decorative Artists – Trenton

Contact Sandy Bagger sandbag40@wowway.com

October 19 - Sam Farah teaching a Dorothy Wisenhunt design



2020 Membership Application (WMDA)

Name: _____ Spouse's First Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State & Zip Code: _____ E-mail address: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: (Month & Day Only) _____

National Membership #: _____ **(You must be a member of SDP to join WMDA)**

Please check all that apply:

New Member Renewal Certified Decorative Artist
 Student Teacher Master Decorative Artist
 Shop Owner (If checked) Name of Shop: _____

Do you paint primarily with: Oils Acrylics Watercolors Other _____

What do you consider your painting level? (Optional information)

Beginner Intermediate Advanced

WMDA would very much appreciate it if you would volunteer to help in one of the following ways:

Teach a paint-in (you get paid for this) Hospitality by being a hostess at a monthly meeting-
 Help with a Fund Raiser making coffee, getting help with a potluck

2019 dues are payable October 1, 2019 and are delinquent on Jan. 1, 2020.

Annual dues are \$15.00, payable to WMDA.

Renewals paid after January 1, 2020 are \$20 – delinquent charges not applicable for new members.

Please send this application and membership fee to our 2019 Membership Chairman:

Linda Wing, 2519 Eastern Ave., S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49507

SDP membership application is available in the "Decorative Painter" magazine.

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Send correspondence to:

**Louise Hastings
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