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Gateway Chapter Meeting

FEBRUARY 10

The Checkered Cottage

131 W. Jefferson

Kirkwood, MO 63122

(enter to right of main door)

Meeting Starts at 1:00 p.m.

Doors Open at 12:00 noon

February Refreshments

Gloria Falk
Mary Jo Kumer
Marilyn Hartnett
Milly Johnson
Delia Larkins
Jean Lindsey
Barb Ogden
Donna Wessel



MEETING PROJECT—Barb Ogden

The cost to the members is \$2. Bring regular acrylic supplies.

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Parliamentarian Liz McClintock
Refreshments Liz McClintock & Linda Nelson
Webmaster.....Josée Laferriere

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Christmas Party Debbie Finklang
Memory Box ProgramGloria Falk and Mary Jo Kumer
Programs, Seminars and Workshops Barb Ogden

REMINDER

Gloria Falk (636-561-6623)
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These ladies have graciously agreed to handle these events for the chapter, so if you have any questions at all about any of this, please feel free to contact **me** at any time

Barb Ogden (314-607-6946)

collectincountry@earthlink.net is in charge of MEETINGS, SEMINARS and SHARING WORKSHOPS this year. If you have someone that you would like to suggest to come to our chapter to teach, get ahold of Barb. If you have a question about the seminars direct those questions to Barb.

Debbie Finklang (636-290-6102)

tolepntrdeb@yahoo.com is in charge of our Christmas Party this year. If you would like to help on that committee, please contact Debbie.

CALENDAR-2019

February 5.....Memory Box Paint In
February 10 Chapter Meeting
March 5Memory Box Paint In
April 2Memory Box Paint In
April 14 Chapter Meeting
May 7.....Memory Box Paint In
May 13-18.....SDP 2019 Conference
June 4Memory Box Paint In
June 9 Chapter Meeting
July 2.....Memory Box Paint In
August 6.....Memory Box Paint In
September 3Memory Box Paint In
September 8 Chapter Meeting
October 1.....Memory Box Paint In
November 5.....Memory Box Paint In
November 10 Chapter Meeting
December 1 Christmas Party
December 3Memory Box Paint In

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT — Gloria Falk

I am so ready for this snow to be gone and have spring show its face. Fresh fallen snow is so pretty to look at, when you don't have to get out in it. <SMILE>

Our next Memory Box paint in is on Feb. 5 at the Lindell Bank on Mexico Rd. in St. Peters. Barb Ogden will be teaching a cute half-moon design (see a picture in this newsletter). Please join us. We have a lot of fun at these paint-ins and it's another opportunity to paint for a good cause.

SDP has another community program that they are suggesting Chapters to check out getting involved in, painting backpacks for Foster Children.



SDP, in their E-zine letter, has a link where you can get the backpacks for \$7.95 with Free Shipping and it's fast. This is something we will be talking about at the February meeting. Somewhere in this newsletter is the full article explaining this project. In place of, or in addition to, we could paint backpacks for the kids at Turning Point.

Those of us who attended the Christmas Party sure had a wonderful time. Thank you to Debbie Finklang, Linda Nelson and Maureen Wasserman for their work to make a nice party for the chapter members and guests. We had some great table decorations.

Everyone went home with at least a small top hat. There were some lucky people that received the big centerpiece one. Again, thank you for making our Christmas Party a success.



Barb has planned some fun times for us this year, so check out her notes in this newsletter and if it's possible, try to attend the planned events. What a wonderful way to relax with your friends and expand your creative talents. Be sure to treat yourself to a great and exciting time away from the hassles of the everyday routines. Invite your friends.

I want to thank last year's chairmen and board members who have worked hard this past year for the members of our chapter. I appreciate having such a terrific group to work with. Thanks to every member that has taken part in a committee or participated in our community outreach programs. We wouldn't have been able to accomplish as much as we did without each of your help. If you haven't been involved, please try to get involved in some way. We can do great things when we work together.

If you have some suggestions for meetings or paint-ins please let us know. We, the Board, would appreciate hearing from you.

Continue to paint with a Happy
Gloria



A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped me with the retreat in September. We had fun.

We pray that everyone has a healthy and a productive painting year!

Happy
Valentine's
Day

CHECK IT OUT

NATIONAL RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY – February 17

<https://www.randomactsofkindness.org>

Art groups around the country, An Artful Connection by SDP being one of them, are continuing a tradition of RAK's -RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS. They paint little pieces that might end up as a magnet, a pin etc. A note is put with each and a message for the person who receives it to make their day go better. Maybe they are in a slump?!? and they get this to perk them up. Just a thought. There are examples of different things they have done on that site also. Check it out and see what you think.

The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation is an internationally recognized non-profit organization founded upon the powerful belief in kindness and dedicated to providing resources and tools that encourage acts of kindness.

SECRETARY—Delia Larkins

Gateway Decorative Artists Chapter Meeting Minutes November 11, 2018

The meeting was held at Checkered Cottage in Kirkwood, MO. Board members present included Gloria Falk, Milly Johnson, Delia Larkins, Jean Lindsey, and Donna Wessel. Marilyn Hartnett was absent due to her trip to Israel. Also, in attendance were Program Co-chairs, Barb Ogden and Carol Rufkahr.

Gloria called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Linda Nelson gave the invocation followed by saying Grace for refreshments to follow the business meeting. Linda and Liz handed out flag pins to commemorate Veterans Day for those who brought refreshments today and all members present.

Gloria welcomed all members and guests. Gloria asked if there were any corrections to the September minutes as published in the newsletter. Barb Ogden noted a correction to the days on which the Tina Sue Norris seminar would be held. The minutes listed them as Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Since the bank closes early on Saturday, the seminar days will be Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The September meeting minutes will be filed as corrected. There being no corrections to the Treasurer's Report, it will be filed as printed in the newsletter.

The next order of business was to review the recommended Bylaw Committee revisions as published in the newsletter. Each By-law was read and discussed. Motions were made and seconded for each to accept as written followed by a show of hands in favor or opposed. All revisions passed unanimously with no opposing votes. The updated Standing Rules and Bylaws will be published in the 2019 Calendar/Directory to be distributed at the February meeting.

Gloria called on Nominating Chair, Cheryll Wilburn, to read the slate of officers and to ask for any nominations from the floor. The ballot included Milly Johnson for Vice President; Jean Lindsey for Membership Secretary; Donna Wessel for Treasurer; and Barb Ogden for Recording Secretary. With no nominations forthcoming, Mary Jo Kumer made a motion that the ballot be accepted by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Ellen Rohne. The vote was unanimous in favor with no opposed. Carolyn Weingaertner volunteered to assist Jean Lindsey in the coming year to become familiar with the duties of Membership Secretary.

Milly Johnson gave a report on our successful Hannibal Retreat with twelve attending. Milly chose not to accept payment for her MITI class. Instead of a (-) \$2.28, Retreat concluded with a (+) \$22.72. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this year's Retreat. The classes were enjoyable; the food was plentiful and delicious; and the MITI's were a lot of fun. Ellen Rohne provided tropical decorations and favors. Six members enjoyed the Mark Twain Riverboat dinner cruise.

Barb Ogden reported on the planned Tina Sue Norris seminar to be held next October 2-4 (W-F). We need to send Tina a \$50 deposit. Barb will send Donna an email reminder. A viable address will be needed as Tina will be moving into a new house. This will be a color pencil on suede board seminar using Prisma pencils and the registration fee will probably be \$60 per day. Barb hopes to have project pictures early next year. Milly Johnson will be doing a workshop next year probably using alcohol inks judging by the interest shown during Retreat. Details to be announced when available. A big thank you to Barb Ogden for opening the shop to members prior to the meeting.

Carol Rufkahr announced that our after-meeting program today would be "mudding" an ornament with Milly Johnson. Cost for the kit is \$5 or the ornament only for \$2. Members were to have notified Milly prior to the meeting if they needed a kit so they could be prepared ahead of time.

Debbie Finklang reported on Christmas party plans. It will be held at Checkered Cottage beginning at 12 noon on Sunday, December 2. The menu, still being formulated, will be provided by Jefferson Grill. The cost is \$20 for members and guests. There will be an ornament exchange with participation optional. The deadline for signups is November 23. You can sign up today or mail your registration to her prior to the 23rd.

SECRETARY—Continued

Linda Young brought her finished color pencil owl Retreat project. Kathy Otto brought some examples of the commission mural work she does on walls and ceilings. Milly had a variety of mudded ornaments and alcohol ink projects she has completed.

Mary Jo Kumer reported on our Memory Box Program. To date 290 boxes have been shipped. Our next paint-in is Tuesday, December 4 with Ellen Rohne painting a lamb. Mary Jo will be leading the MB paint-in on January 8. Barb Ogden volunteered to do February 5; Kathy Otto will do March 5; and Donna Wessel April 2. These dates are subject to verification with the bank and any changes will be announced later. The balance of the year except for August (Donna) still needs a leader.

Gloria reported that St. Mary's Hospital in St. Louis has requested to be included in our Memory Box Program. The hospital participates in the Share Program, but Gateway would not be providing boxes for abortions. The hospital was advised to complete the paperwork on the Tole Friends Memory Box website in order to be added to the list of participating hospitals.

Jean Lindsey reported we have 18 members present today and 2 guests (Jackie Kohler and Gail Quillo). Among today's door prizes were eight donated from the estate of Joanne Goers by her brother, Bill Russell. The winners included: Cheryl Wilburn, Luz Rooney, Deb Finklang, Linda Nelson, Ellen Rohne, Mary Jo Kumer, Carolyn Weingaertner, Carol Rufkahr, Liz McClintock, Kathy Otto, Milly Johnson and Marilyn Todd.

Jean also said that we are going to have a Birthday Secret Pal next year. She is passing around a sign-up list. This will be a one-time Secret Pal gift event that will take place at the June meeting. There is a \$15 limit on the gift. Jean will distribute the name of your secret pal at the February meeting. Members not present today that wish to participate should contact Jean to add your name to the list.

Gloria reported for Marilyn Hartnett, Newsletter Editor, that the next deadline is January 18.

Liz McClintock gave a report on her attendance at the Oklahoma Painting Palooza Convention held in Oklahoma City. She was impressed with the convention organizers as well as her classes. She enjoyed it very much and highly recommends attending in the future.

Linda Nelson thanked everyone who brought refreshments today: Deb Finklang, Mary Jo Kumer, Luz Rooney, Marilyn Todd, Carolyn Weingaertner, Donna Wessel, Donna Wright, and Linda Young. Linda had put the names of all refreshment providers for the year in a hat. Two names were drawn (Deb Finklang and Ellen Rohne) to win the red/white/blue table centerpieces. Linda noted that Gloria had asked her and Liz to again be our Refreshment Co-Chairs for next year and they accepted. Linda also announced the meeting themes for next year. The Board will again bring refreshments in February. The balance of the year needs volunteers and Linda has a sign-up sheet available. April's theme is "Slick Chicks"; June is "By the Sea Birthday Bash"; September is "Scarecrows; and November is "Pumpkin Patch". Linda also needs some volunteers to help with meeting surprise decorations.

Gold Brush Chair, Delia Larkins, and her committee will convene in the shop immediately following the meeting

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Mary Jo Kumer and seconded by Carol Rufkahr. The meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Larkins, Recording Secretary

SECRETARY—Continued

Gateway Decorative Artists
Chapter Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2018

The Christmas Party was held at Checkered Cottage in Kirkwood, MO. The Christmas Committee, chaired by Deb Finklang, included Gloria Falk, Linda Nelson and Maureen Wasserman who prepared the painted snowman name tags, decorated top hat table centerpieces and place setting favors.

All Board members were in attendance including Co-Program Chair, Barb Ogden. Co-Program Chair, Carol Rufkahr, was not present.

The meet and greet commenced as members and guests began arriving on or about 12:00 p.m. with some members exchanging Christmas gifts. At approximately 1:00 p.m. Deb Finklang welcomed all members and their guests. Linda Nelson was asked to give the invocation. A buffet luncheon was catered by PJ's Tavern located next door to Checkered Cottage. The menu included a fruit salad, Italian salad, roast beef au jus with dollar rolls, broccoli pasta alfredo and toasted ravioli with marinara dipping sauce. Dessert was either carrot or chocolate cake with cream cheese frosting. A variety of soft beverages was also available.

Lunch was followed by the installation of 2019 officers conducted by Cheryl Wilburn. Board Members for the new year will be: President, Gloria Falk; Vice President, Milly Johnson; Recording Secretary, Barb Ogden; Membership Secretary, Jean Lindsey; Treasurer, Donna Wessel; and Newsletter Editor, Marilyn Hartnett.

The ornament exchange followed with everyone grabbing their wrapped ornament and forming a circle. Deb Finklang then read a story that had the participants passing ornaments right and left numerous times until the end of the story and the wrapped ornament in hand was yours. After all were unwrapped, an ornament Show'n'Tell took place.

The group then played several Christmas themed games that produced both laughs and groans that concluded with prizes awarded to the winners. The party adjourned at 3:20 p.m. as members and guests exchanged farewells and departed for home.

Respectfully submitted,

Delia Larkins, Recording Secretary

It is hard to believe that we are planning 2019 already! Time sure does fly as I get older. Hope everyone is staying safe and warm in the winter weather.

I am looking for anyone who would like to do a program this year. Please contact me if you are interested. Tina Sue Norris will be our seminar teacher this year. I have asked for colored pencil as the medium. Voting on the projects will take place at the February meeting. The dates for her seminar are October 2, 3, and 4. More details will follow.

Also Milly Johnson will be doing a sharing workshop for us this year. Details are not finalized yet.

Fund Raiser

As most of you know we have a beautiful watercolor that was donated to us. We are going to raffle off this painting. Chances will be available through the coming months at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. If you have friends or family who would be interested please see me for tickets.



Hope to see you all on February 10, Barb

Thanks, Barb



*Happy
Valentine's
Day*



FEBRUARY 5, 2019
9:00 a.m.
MEMORY BOX PAINT-IN
Lindell Bank

Project will be taught by
Barb Ogden

Gateway Decorative Artists Program Registration Form

Program _____ Date _____ Date _____ Date _____
 Class Fee _____ Surface/Supply Fee _____
 Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ City/Zip _____
 Email _____ Amount _____ Cash _____ Check _____

CHECK HERE IF YOU AGREE TO HAVING YOUR PICTURE IN OUR PUBLICATIONS OR FACEBOOK _____

Send to Barbara Ogden, 1424 Cave Springs Estate Drive, St. Peters, MO 63376

For Questions call: 314-607-6946 or email: program@gatewaydecorativeartists.com

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE—Linda Nelson and Liz McClintock

In April, “Slick Chicks” will be on the tables. In June, members and guests will feel as if they are “By the Sea” and we will also have a Birthday Bash for our members. Summer comes to a close with Scarecrows in the Garden. Finally we will have a Pumpkin Patch for November. Supplies have been donated for creating the table decorations and door prizes. If you want to know what the surprises are you will have to sign your name on the dotted line.

Thanking you in advance for your time and effort. The Sunshine Girls, Liz and Linda

*Christmas Memories 2018
Thank you to Debbie, and
her excellent committee.*



... time to be thankful

Dear Donna Wright, Marilyn Todd, Linda Young, Debbie Finklang, Milly Johnson, Luz Rooney, Carolyn Weingaertner, Mary Jo Kumer and Donna Wessel:

We both want to say “Thank You” for serving on the Refreshment Committee for Gateway’s November Meeting.

What a beautiful buffet table was set with the “Red, White and Blue” delicious food items you prepared for our members and guests to enjoy after the meeting Sunday, honoring America’s Military hero’s and her Veterans.

Also, we want to Thank all of you for the help you gave clearing the refreshment table, buffet supplies, packing up and helping to loading the car.

Kudos to you for being such a wonderful Volunteer many times for us and the Refreshment Committee, during the past three years in which we have Co-Chaired.

May all of you have a Happy Thanksgiving.

**The Sunshine Gals
Liz McClintock and Linda Nelson**



I hope everyone had a nice Christmas and Happy New Year.

At the February meeting we will have a last chance to sign up for the secret birthday exchange in June. I will let you know your secret person, by email or mail after the meeting.

At the September meeting we will have a pin exchange. There is no theme so any kind of pin you like to paint is fine.

As always if you know of anyone who needs a card, please let me know.

Jean Lindsey Membership Chairperson



Rescue Wish List For Dogs or Cats

Wet or Dry food (for cats or dogs)

Pet Beds

Clean Blankets or Towels

SPRING has arrived and there are animals out on their own today. Some have suffered abuse by their owners. This rescue group does what they can, through the many volunteers, to supply the needs to help out God's creatures. If everyone would bring just ONE item to the February meeting, we could really make an impact on this wish list. They ask that these items be new or gently used.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts



for whatever help you can give.

Please, do not bring used or open medicine.

TURNING POINT



Turning Point Women's Shelter serves victims from Warren, Gasconade, Lincoln, Franklin, and Montgomery counties and others. They shelter about 75 women and 100 children annually. These are things that are really needed:

Over the counter cold and flu medicine

Disinfectant wipes

Cleaning products

Toilet Tissue

Paper towels

Kleenex

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me, Cheryll Wilburn, at 314-640-8759.

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

January

Ellen Rohne—1

Cheryll Wilburn—24

Anna Mathieu—30

Sue Dietrich—30

February

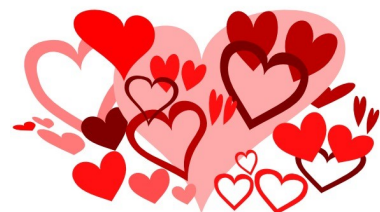
Donna Wessel — 7

March

Luz Rooney —30

Check List for Meeting:

- Refreshments, if you are on the committee.
- Pet Rescue Donations
- Turning Point Donations
- Painted Memory Boxes



NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: March 20, 2019



12/18/2018



Gateway Decorative Artists
Gloria Faulk
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O Fallon Mo 63366

Safety

Dear Gateway Decorative Artists:

Stability

You are making a difference! Your recent donation of scarves and toiletries will truly impact survivors of domestic and/or sexual violence as they receive services through Turning Point!

Shelter

We are very grateful for your concern; we can't do this work alone. The generosity of those who give in some capacity helps those who have been abused find safety and support through one of our programs:

TURNING POINT
DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE
EMERGENCY SHELTER & SERVICES

- Hotline
- Shelter
- Advocacy
- Economic Empowerment

Serving
FRANKLIN, GASCONADE, LINCOLN
MONTGOMERY, WARREN and
ST. CHARLES COUNTIES.

Those who seek services at Turning Point report that they are safer, stronger, and more capable of living independently because of those services and because someone cared and valued their lives.

PO Box 426
Warrenton, MO
63383
Office • 636-456-1186
Hotline • 888-873-7233

Again, thank you for being a partner in the difficult task of creating safe, healing space in the wake of violence and abuse!

In partnership,

Jolynn Houchins, MS
Executive Director

*Thank you
for your
donation!*

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PAINT FOR THE CHILDREN!!

At the 47th Annual Conference and Expo in Wichita, SDP has united with many local businesses and chapters in the Wichita area to help fill backpacks for the Foster Care System.

Many of you may not know that children are rescued from horrific conditions every minute in this country. They are whisked to safety with only what they have on, or their belongings are stuffed into garbage bags. Now is the time to come together and put our talents towards making a child smile.

Bring your new **hand painted** backpack to our 47th Annual Conference and Expo Chapters Gathering in Wichita. They will be displayed during the Chapters Gathering meeting and a wonderful painted prize for the **Most Favorite Backpack** will take place.

Get your Chapters involved! There are Foster Children everywhere. Contact your local DSHS office and find out how to donate painted backpacks in your own Community.

We are so excited to see how many of you will be helping us with donating painted backpacks!

Amazon has a great deal on backpacks if you need one.

GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership in the Chapter is OPEN ONLY to persons who are dues-paying members of SDP

ANNUAL DUES ARE \$20, PAYABLE BY DECEMBER 1

Please make check payable to Gateway Decorative Artists;

Mail to Jean Lindsey, 140 So. St. Charles St., Florissant, MO 63031

Name _____ New Member _____ Renewal _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Birth Date _____ SDP Membership No. _____ (include copy of SDP Card)

PLEASE CHECK HERE IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR PICTURE PRINTED IN OUR NEWSLETTER, FACEBOOK, WEB SITE OR OTHER PUBLICATIONS .

Check all that apply:

Individual Member _____ Teacher _____ Business Member _____ Name of Shop _____

Certification: MDA ___ CDA ___ TDA ___

Preferred Painting Medium: Oil ___ Acrylic ___ Watercolor ___ Other ___

What year did you start painting? _____

Favorite Artists: _____

