

Del Val Decorative Painters May 2019-2020 Newsletter

Next Meeting: May 11th, 2019 at the Cat's Tongue, Columbus, NJ
Social Time: 9:00-9:30 a.m.
Meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

Message from the President:

Thanks to Paula for teaching the birdhouse flag pattern last month. The class was very relaxing, and the project provided a sense of camaraderie among those in attendance.

The board met in April to clarify payment to monthly Del Val volunteer teachers vs. assistants to the teachers. Teachers will receive a payment of \$25 and assistants will receive a payment of \$10. Members are asked to vote approval or further discussion on this issue. Note that this will not have an impact on outside teachers who are brought into Del Val. Those teachers are hired for a set fee approved by Del Val.

This month we will be doing a card project with Judi Russo. The cost for the kit is \$5 and if you want to make two cards the cost will be \$8. Judi states that everyone must pay attention when we attach the flowers to the inside of the card. Judi will need a count of how many will be making the cards and what would be your choice for the color flower. Bring a pink or blue marker to make the lines on the flowers—or any marker as long as it will not go through the paper like a sharpie pen would. Also bring snail adhesive glue. Please let Judi know by **April 30** if you will be doing the card and specify your color of pink or blue. You can contact her at tolefair3@yahoo.com. The picture of the card is in the newsletter.

The board also would like to have the monthly Del Val teachers submit a picture of their subject and details of what the cost will be per member. We will then incorporate the information into the calendar. You can send the picture to me and I will forward your information and picture to Heather for the newsletter rather than have everyone contact Heather.

The cost of the zentangle project pattern packet with Gwen Stillwell in June is \$5. (You can view a picture of the project on the website.) I prepared a sign-up sheet for those members who are interested in the project and the sheet will be available at the May meeting. Members who are coming to the seminar can also list on the same sheet what food they would like to bring for that day. We will be having a light lunch because the project should go beyond our 1 p.m. closure. We usually have volunteers bring in breakfast items every month. For the June meeting and artist project we are asking for volunteers to bring in breakfast or lunch items rather than sending out for lunch.

General Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2019

A general meeting of the Del Val Decorative Painters was held on April 13, 2019 at the Cats Tongue in Columbus, NJ. In attendance were: Cathy Zelinski, President; Paula Kocmalski, Vice President; Carol Kafer, JoAnne Kirby, Treasurer, Membership Chair; Barbara Moore and Mary Barone, Ways and Means Chairs; Mary Jo Capone, Newsletter and substitute Secretary. The meeting was called to order at 9:55 a.m.

Cathy Zelinski's April Del Val Agenda

This meeting will be short since many members will be painting with Beth Wagner today. Just to clarify again, our Del Val meetings are always the second Saturday of the month. Since our meeting will be short, I would like to ask attendees if there are any issues or problems related to the chapter that you would like to discuss.

We originally stated that the heart cut out with the design of your choice must be done by the May meeting. However, since several members were absent last month and several will be out this month, your heart design should be ready for the June meeting.

The card project with Judi Russo and Sharon Keen scheduled for May will cost members \$5 for one kit and \$8 for the kit for two cards. The card is really lovely and would definitely cost more if you purchased the card. Details and pictures of the cards will be in the newsletter. Judi has emailed me that she has to know how many members are going to attend and how many cards they want to make and what color flower-pink or blue do you want for the "pop up flower". She asks that everyone attending bring a pink or blue marker to make the lines on the flowers-or any marker as long as it does not go through the flowers like a sharpie pen would do. Other supplies needed are adhesive (the snail kind), scissors and any bling you want to bring to make the card sparkle.

Again, I wish to inform all members who volunteered to teach at our monthly meetings if you have a problem please do not contact me with anything to do with your scheduled monthly project. Our Vice President, Paula Kocmalski is in charge of that process. You must contact Paula for any teaching issues.

We have scheduled a board meeting after we meet today and one of the topics will be a review of how chapter teachers will be compensated. Results of the board discussion will be published in the newsletter and voted for approval at the May meeting.

Minutes

Cathy explained that the meeting would be short since we were missing a large number of members who were attending a seminar with Beth Wagner. She clarified that our meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month unless it is a holiday or if there is an event that conflicts with another SDP chapter that our members are invited to attend. Cathy also asked if there were any issues or concerns relating to the chapter that attendees would like to voice, since the Board would be meeting after our paint in project was completed. No one present voiced any concerns.

Since many members were absent at our first meeting and many were missing today, the outreach hearts with member designs on them will not be due until the June meeting. The hearts will be painted

as our annual Outreach Project. Members will vote at the June meeting on 3 designs to be painted and donated to a nursing home or hospital.

Members who will be staying to do the card project with Judi Russo after the May 11th meeting will need to contact Judi so she knows how many kits you wish to purchase. Members can choose to do a blue card, pink card or a combination of each. One kit will cost \$5 and two cards will cost \$8. Cathy will check with Judi to find out the deadline for ordering your card kits and how Judi wants to be contacted. The information will be in the May newsletter. Mary Jo will have the newsletter ready earlier than usual so members will get the information. A photo of the project will be posted on the Del Val website.

In addition to the kit, members will need scissors, adhesive tape-the snail type (Paula recommended Tombo tape, which can be found in the card/scrapbooking section of AC Moore or Michaels. Members will also need a marker/pen in the color of the card(s). Make sure the pens will not bleed through paper. Sharpie markers are not recommended. If you want to make your card sparkle, Judi suggests bringing "bling" to glue on the cards.

Members who will be "teaching" a project for the chapter are asked to contact Paula if they have any problems or issues with anything concerning their project. This includes the date they are scheduled. Paula is the chairperson of our project calendar. She will also print out directions/patterns for anyone who is teaching for our chapter, but please get these to Paula at least two months before you are scheduled.

Barbara showed the Zentangle project we will be doing with Gwen Stillwell in June. We will all be doing the same sized piece. Once it has been "tangled", members will be able to make copies and shrink or enlarge the finished piece. The piece would make a lovely Christmas card.

Following our paint in with Paula today, the Board will be meeting. One of the topics to be discussed is how or whether the chapter should compensate chapter members who are teaching projects for the chapter. We will vote on the Board's suggestion at our May meeting.

Al asked the group if they would be interested in making a Christmas visit to his home in Audubon to view the nativities his wife, Lucy, collected. It takes Al quite awhile to set up the display of 150 nativities. Many members expressed an interest in taking a "road trip" to see Al and Lucy's collection. As the Christmas season comes closer a date for members to car pool will be chosen.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Following the meeting members painted patriotic birdhouses on various surfaces with Paula.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Jo Capone, substituting for Cindy Nagle, Secretary

2019-20 Calendar

May 11th: Project: Cards with Judy Russo (picture is on the website)

Cost: 1 card-\$5, 2 cards-\$8 **Contact Judy by April 30th** at tolefairy3@yahoo.com to order your card kit. Choose either blue or pink. If you are getting 2 cards they can be one of each.

Supplies needed: *scissors, snail tape* (Tombo recommended-found in scrap book section at AC Moore/Michaels, *blue or pink pen* depending upon the color card you chose. Do NOT bring Sharpie pens or markers which will bleed through paper.

Refreshments: JoAnne, Carol K., Paula

Creamer: Leslie

June 8th: Christmas Bell Zentangle Seminar with Gwen Stillwell

Cost: \$5

***Outreach Hearts need to be returned**

July 13th: Project with Barbara Moore

August 10th: Project TBA with Nancy Gilbert

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September 14th: Straw-hat Scarecrow with Mary Jo Capone

*****Note the date change******

October 19th: Project TBA with Meg Drag

November 9th: Annual Del Val Auction

December 7th: Annual Christmas Party

Nametags:

Members are asked to wear their nametags during meetings. Please return your nametag to the box at the end of the meeting. If you did not paint a nametag, extras are available.

Brushes:

Nancy places a Scharff brush order in **TBD**. Members are reminded that we receive a 50% discount on the brushes when we order through Scharff and the chapter. The chapter also receives a percentage of the sale. Orders are placed three times a year to save on shipping fees. The catalog and order form are on the website. *Checks made out to Del Val Decorative Painters are preferred.*

Newsletter:

All newsletter items must be submitted via e-mail to Mary Jo Capone at mjcapone@yahoo.com by the 15th of each month in order to be placed in the upcoming newsletter.

FYI:

Summer Sign Ups at the Cats Tongue:

Saturday, June 22 and Sunday, June 23rd from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Tole Time Decorative Painters

Ornament Day: Saturday, September 28th **note the date change** more info to follow