

FWDP Newsletter

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FWDP President Letter

If I ever hear of sourdough bread, Groundhog Day, drive-past parties, and TV show personalities who COULD get a haircut if they wanted to.....! What is it? Week 24-25 by the time you get this? Like all of you, I am tired of living in lounge clothes with no makeup and no place to go.

But the facts are, it will be months before our lives begin to approach normal. If people don't get the vaccine, when ready, it will be longer. (Right now, about 40% of the population currently is not planning to get the vaccine, according to some news sources. Talk to your doctor when it is ready for the general public.) Our task is to not lose hope, remember our painting sisters are here for us, and to reach out to those who may not feel comfortable asking for help.

A Zoom Board Meeting was held on Monday, August 24. Present were Louise, Sharlene, Dora, Nancy, Jan, Sheryl, Dusti. Prior e-mailed, or proxy votes, were received for Suzane, Judy Wallace and Peggy. No response was received from Armida.

Needing a plan for the rest of the year, voting was conducted on the following four issues:

1. Cancel all 2020 Chapter meetings and the Christmas Party. The measure passed.

The plan is to recycle as many of the general meeting projects and Fundraisers as we can next year. Since so much work goes into the Christmas Party, the plan is to retain the theme, centerpieces, ornaments, (contact Louise if you didn't get your "official" ornament yet—mine is finished—yeah!) and raffle pieces for 2021.

2. Roll over the 2020 Officers and Board to 2021. The measure passed.

I belong to three other organizations, (all different types of organizations). They, and Wildflower Chapter, voted to cancel all meetings and roll over their Officers and Board. I appointed a Nominations Committee, headed by Sharlene, and asked them to address this issue, while heeding Louise's wishes. If non-Board members are not comfortable with their decision, please contact Sharlene.

3. Notify members that 2021 dues, along with SDP dues, need to be sent in the Fall. The measure passed.

Without fundraisers we have no income this year. I will be signing our room contract for 2021 soon. The proposal to remind members their dues are payable as usual was based two thoughts.

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First, each of us usually spends at least \$20 when it is our turn to bring food to meetings, or to bring raffle items, each twice a year. We also usually spend way more than \$20 buying raffle tickets. Second, it would be easy for members to just not return after the crisis is over. By paying dues, it encourages members to stay involved. I've already sent my 2021 dues to other organizations.

4. Fourth, is a free-to-members alternate ornament exchange. The measure passed.

I realize that some of what makes this year hard is the loss of traditions. One of those traditions is our annual tree ornament. It would mess things up to use the "official" theme ornament for exchange, it being saved for 2021.

Recently SDP returned our Chapter plaque, a boot. So, to remind members of our ties, and to symbolize a difficult year apart, I purchased, (my treat) boot ornaments. I will see any member who wants to exchange them, receives one. You will paint it, wrap it in bubble wrap and mail it to a person whose name will be randomly drawn. Another person will receive your name and mail theirs to you. If you would like to include a Christmas card, (even better paint a card) with your ornament package, I'm sure it will be welcomed.

I will include more information in the October Newsletter. When you receive your ornament package, please hold on to it until the night of December 14th, at 7 p.m. This is the night we would have held the party. Sharlene hopes to host a Chapter Zoom meeting that evening so we can share in seeing you open your ornament. Details later. What I do need, is for each of you who wish to participate in the exchange, e-mail me ASAP so I may get your ornament to you.

What we can do while physically apart, is to send in photos of what you are painting, recipes that don't tax our depression to cook them, personal news, on-line classes or teachers we might like to explore, Zoom get-togethers some of you are holding, or requests for Zoom meets. Nancy would love for you to fill up the October Newsletter for her. Get your copy in soon. In the meantime, STAY WELL.

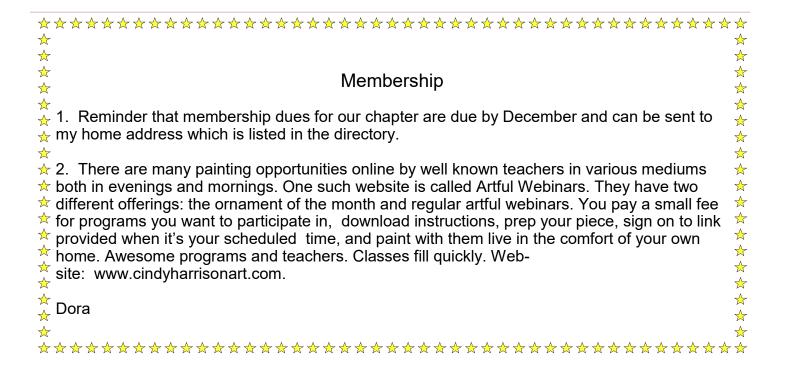
The Nominating Committee made the recommendation to have the 2020 elected board serve in the same positions in 2021. The board voted to accept this recommendation during a scheduled Zoom meeting on August 24, 2020. Normally we would have an election at our November chapter meeting. Watch for further information in the next newsletter on how we will vote - email or Zoom chapter meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Sharlene King, Chair Suzane Godley Judy Wallis

Programs:

I hope all our members are well and have been able to avoid the Covid19 sickness. This pandemic is forcing us to make changes. We will move our painting projects to next year. I will have a final 2021 schedule of projects by November 2020 newsletter. Will the following teachers contact me: Beth - Bee Angels, Nancy - Bees, Sharlene - Red Truck, Peggy - Girl ornament and Dusti - Snowman. Are you still willing to teach and which month would you prefer to teach in? Patterns and instructions need to be sent to Nancy for the newsletter two months in advance. Example: January project should be in the November 2020 and January 2021 newsletter. Would you be able to teach via ZOOM if we are unable to meet in person? I want to thank all our teachers. Your planning, preparation and presentation is greatly appreciated. Louise Smith





Sunshine - Suzane Godley Send a card to a member who has a birthday coming up.

September 11 - Sheryl Jones September 18 - Judy Wallis September 21 - Connie Alexander September 27 - Beth Stodieck

October 9 - Lee Anne Looney October 16 - Linda McDonald October 21 - Janice Briggs October 31 - Jan McCleery

> YOU ARE A WORK OF ART. NOT EVERYONE WILL UNDERSTAND YOU DUT THE ONES WHO DO WILL NEVER FORGET ADOUT YOU.



"Just a quick note to ask for prayers for all of our friends who are facing challenges. Some have shared, some keep it unspoken...Personal illness, family sickness, loss of a loved one, financial challenges, quarantine, hurricanes, tornados, deadly fires, record breaking heat, rolling blackouts...there just seems to be a rash of things wreaking havoc in our circle of friends. And please keep in mind, some of us may have hidden sorrow, or worry, or indecision or illness that we choose not to share. We all carry something. Prayers for all."

Treasurer's Report—Sharlene King

As of 8/24 Current checking balance is \$7,848.83

Memory Boxes—Judy Wallis

I delivered 29 painted paper mache boxes to Shelby at Cooks Children Hospital early summer. She was excited to receive them. I sent her my phone# and email address for a future contact. I miss everyone and hope we can get together SOON!! Judy



2019 Board

Elected Officers:

President –	Connie Alexander
VP Programs –	Louise Smith
Treasurer –	Sharlene King
Secretary	Peggy Thomas
Membership	Dora Jodoin



Committees:

Christmas Party:	Sheryl Jone
Hospitality/Table Attendant:	Jan Park
Monthly Raffle:	Armida Guz
Newsletter	Nancy Gene
Website/Publicity:	Suzane Goo
Parliamentarian:	Yvonne Lov
Saturday Specials	Dusti Dance
Seminars	Nancy Gen
Sunshine/Birthdays:	Suzane Goo
Memory Boxes	Judy Wallis

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SDP Corner



SDP Museum

The SDP Board, Foundation Board, and Staff are thrilled to have acquired over 2000 pieces of Decorative Painting from the National Museum in Atlanta. It is so important that we do our best to preserve and showcase the historic collections to continue the Decorative Painting legacy. A letter was sent to members on June 26 outlining what they plan on doing with the collection. Be sure to read it.

An Auction was held and many members received wonderful works of art to appreciate in their homes. Remember we still have a fairly large collection of art work that needs stored, insured, etc.

The SDP Foundation Crown Program offers a giving opportunity for our members and chapters. By participating in the Crown Program, you are supporting decorative art education, the SDP Museum, and the SDP Scholarship Program. Your donations will go to SDP's Foundation.

and is tax-deductible.

Please consider being a Crown Jewel today.



Second SDP Retreat in Fredericksburg, Texas January 26th-28th, 2021 Registration is now open

Members Only Education Library

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Do you have a tip, technique, project or idea to share? Videos of all skill levels, media, styles, business advice and theory are welcome. If you are interested in donating a video or seeing a particular type of video in the library, please email the office at <u>sdp@decorativepainters.org</u> or call (316) 269-9300.



Join us in welcoming our new Executive Director, Dana Steffee.



She comes to SDP with a great professional background and many years of experience. She is a team player with lots of en-

Dana's combined experiences as a leader, team builder, fundraiser in the non-profit realm along with loving life and art were all in preparation for the role as the Executive Director for the Society of Decorative Painters.

Dana comes to this new role with a passion for the mission of the society. With the guidance of the Board of Directors and the support of the SDP community, she is determined to grow the

It's Early renewal time.....Renew your SDP membership between now and September 30 and you will receive three free e-packets.

Zoom Class with Linda Sharp CDA Fantasy Trivet **Registration began August 19th** When: Wednesday September 16, 2020 11 am - 4 pm Central Time



SDP New Address Society of Decorative Painters 7450 S Seneca St Haysville, KS 67060

Postponed Oklahoma City Painting Palooza The Good Old 50's May 1-8, 2021 Registration is open

Wildflowers Chapter 2020 Seminars—postponed to 2021 April 9-10—Jamie Mills Price

August 13-14—Maxine Thomas

Contact Carol Reichelt rodcar1102@aol.com to be put on waiting list



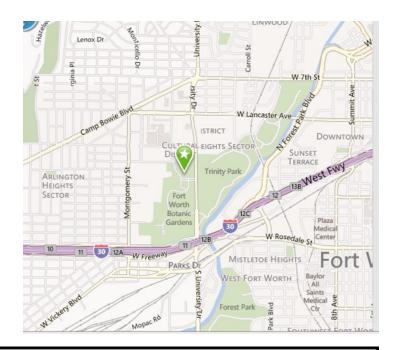
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FWDP Meets the Third Monday of February, March, April, May, September, October & November.

January Meeting 4th Monday and the Christmas Party 2nd Monday in December.

At the

Botanical Gardens 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. Fort Worth, TX 76107

2020 Dates to Remember—Postponed to 2021

January 6 Transitional Board meeting

January 27—Regular meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Sharlene—Gnome

February 17—Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Bluebird—LaRue/Louise

March 16—Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Oh Come Lets us adore him—Peggy

March 19-20—Lynne Andrews Seminar—canceled

April 4—Saturday Special—Nancy—Art Tote or Apron—postponed

April 20—Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Nancy—Bees—canceled

May 18—Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Sharlene – Red Truck—Postponed

June 6—Saturday Special—Dora—Glass Block Etch and Colored Pencils—postponed

July 25—Saturday Special—Nancy—Merry Christmas/Floral Tin oil can—Postponed

August 29 - Saturday Special- Dusti-Home Sweet Haunted Home

September 21—Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Beth—Bee Body Pins

October 12 (change of date) — Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Peggy—Ornament

November 16—Regular Meeting, Board Meeting—Program: Dusti—Snowman

December 14—Christmas Party—ZOOM Get together