

Del Val Decorative Painters July 2019 Newsletter

Next Meeting: July 13, 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:

A good time was had by all doing the Zentangle Christmas bell project. We have already made arrangements to bring Gwen back next year for another project.

Since we did not have our monthly "Ways and Mean" table in June, we will be resuming this for our July get together. Bring your items prior to the meeting so Mary Barone can set up the table. Since this will be our Christmas in July event, we will only have a brief meeting.

Barbara Moore will be teaching two ornaments. The cost of the kit is \$7 and includes two ornaments, hats, and face patterns. Please look at the calendar for pictures of both ornaments—a gingerbread ornament and a penguin ornament. You will need the following supplies for the ornaments:

Americana Paint:

Bahama Blue

Black

Brown Sugar

Burnt Sienna

Burnt Umber

Cinnamon

Cinnamon Drop

Festive Green

Melon

Persimmon

White

Delta Paint: Adobe

Other Supplies: scissors, brushes—liner, dry brushes, cosmetic wedge sponge small stencils or rubber stamps for hats

If you have any questions on the project, contact Barbara at 609-261-1897.

If you did not attend the June meeting, remember to bring in your finished heart ornaments that we will be doing for our yearly Outreach project.

Reminder: For those volunteer teachers scheduled to teach through the rest of the calendar year, you are reminded to get a picture ready for the newsletter so members can view your project. We need pictures for the remaining three projects that will close out the year.

General Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2019

The June meeting was held at The Cat's Tongue in Columbus, New Jersey. President Cathy Zelinski opened the meeting at 9:30. Board members in attendance were President – Cathy Zelinski, Vice President - Paula Kocmalski, Treasurer – Joanne Kirby, Recording Secretary – Cindy Nagle, Membership Chairperson – Carol Kafer, Newsletter Chairperson – Mary Jo Capone, Ways and Means Chairpersons – Barbara Moore and Mary Barone.

President Cathy Zelinski's Remarks:

This will be a short meeting because we will be working with our guest artist, Gwen Stillwell who will be teaching the Zentangle project of a Christmas bell. We will be here longer than usual due to the time involved with the Zentangle project so we will be having lunch in-house. The project will take several hours to complete.

The heart ornaments that were distributed at prior meetings are due in this month. Please give all your completed ornaments to Paula who is heading the project for Outreach this year. You can place the ornaments in an envelope. Put your name on the envelope so we can tell who has designed the ornaments.

Nancy took orders for brushes. Nancy has advised that if you want to order brushes you should check out the website to view the catalogue to select any brushes you want to order. This is a great deal because in addition to receiving 50% off the brushes you won't be paying shipping. The next opportunity for brush purchases will probably take place at the September meeting.

For those members scheduled to teach through the rest of the calendar year, you are reminded to get a picture ready for the newsletter so members can view your project. We still have some teachers who have not submitted a picture of their project.

Note that we have taken the email addresses of the board members off of our website. This is due to a few of our board members receiving suspicious emails supposedly from me. Heather has informed Cathy that our website is still working off old software and we would have to upgrade within the next two years if we intend to keep the site. We pay a yearly fee for keeping the site. Since Cathy started the site a few years ago, the yearly bill comes to her. She pays it and then gets reimbursed from the chapter. Heather Branham does the monthly updates on the web and does a great job.

If members have questions about seminars, please check out the information on the website.

Next month we will be doing Christmas in July with Barbara. She showed us the gingerbread and penguin ornaments we will be painting. She will have the prepped ornaments for us for \$6 each. She will have instructions for us at sign-up and in the next newsletter.

We will paint a block with Nancy G. at the August meeting. She will have them to give out at the July meeting.

Paula asked for a volunteer to be a contact person for organizing upcoming seminars. Donna volunteered.

6 of our members volunteered to paint ornaments for our Outreach Project on August 10th, following the meeting.

Cathy closed the meeting at 9:45

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Nagle, Recording Secretary

2019-20 Calendar

July 13th: Christmas in July Project with Barbara Moore

Kits: \$7 each and include two ornaments

Paint: Delta-Adobe; Americana-Bahama Blue, Black, Brown Sugar (or color of your choice for Gingerbread Girl basecoat), Burnt Sienna, Burnt Umber, Cinnamon, Cinnamon Drop, Festive Green, Melon, Persimmon, Pumpkin, White

Supplies: Hologram Glitter, scissors, brushes-liner, round, dry brushes; cosmetic wedge sponge, small stencils or rubber stamps to decorate hats

August 10th: Project TBA with Nancy Gilbert

Outreach Project TBA will be done AFTER the project with Nancy Gilbert

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 will place the next Scharff brush order in **September**. 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:

Tole Time Decorative Painters

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

Cathe's Fried Chicken

Before I prepare the chicken, I soak the chicken in a water bath that is generously sprinkled with kosher salt. (You can also use regular salt, but I use kosher for my chicken bath and for cooking pasta.) I soak the chicken for at least 30 minutes.

Ingredients:

- *Chicken breast—boneless (you can use legs or thighs, but I like breasts)
- *Flour for coating in one pie pan
- *Eggs beaten and mixed with honey and a touch of milk in another pie pan—I usually use 2 eggs mixed with a tablespoon of honey and a little milk (Use more eggs depending on how much chicken you are using)
- *Seasoned or unseasoned Panko bread crumbs in the third pie pan.
- *Cooking oil for frying the chicken—I use coconut oil, but you can also use vegetable oil
- *Butter—melted (you can use or not, but I prefer to use some butter)

Instructions:

Drain and rinse the chicken. Put on paper towels to drain the excess water.

Dip the chicken in flour on both sides and then dip the flour coated chicken in the beaten egg/honey bath.

Coat the chicken in the bread crumbs and place on a cookie sheet rack on a cookie sheet pan and place the rack with the chicken in the freezer for at least an hour—this allows the breadcrumbs to adhere to the chicken when the chicken is fried.

Take the chilled chicken and cook in the pre-heated oil until the chicken is browned.

Put the cooked chicken back on the cookie sheet rack on a cookie sheet to drain the excess oil.

When all the chicken is cooked and drained of fat, spoon about a teaspoon of melted butter over each piece of chicken and bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for about 20 minutes. This drains more of the oil off the chicken but lets the melted butter soak into the chicken.

Serve hot or cold.