



WOW!!!

What a way to start our New Year.

I would like to hold the February meeting without any injuries before we get started. But accidents do happen. If you don't know what happened at the January meeting before we even got started, ask Toni Hoffer. She is recovering and has quite a story to tell.

Thank you to Stephanie Robinson for another great class and we used her Ladybug camera and the large monitor in our room. So, everyone had a front row seat. Wonderful job and a fun class.

February will be fun with clay. Henriette will teach us stamping on clay and then take our projects back to fire them. They will be returned to us at the April meeting.

**Board meeting on Thursday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at Roe's Deli at 10:30am.** This will be our only chance to wrap up things for our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Basket Luncheon.

Hostesses must turn in their ticket money to Toni Van Kirk at our February meeting. We have twenty-one tables. Don't forget to bring your priced items for the "Cash-n-Carry" table to Maria Bouris. The Sign-Up book for volunteers will also be available.

Our Sandy McTier Seminar is this month on Sat. & Sun., Feb. 17 & 18, 2024. It is the weekend right after our meeting weekend.

Basket Luncheon 2024 – tickets are on sale now! Please note the date is changed and will be **Saturday, March 2, 2024**, at St. Stefanos Greek Orthodox Church. It will be our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Basket luncheon. We've come a long way and only gotten better with each year.

Don't forget to pre-order your food for the meetings with Henriette. This really helps Olivia with planning and our hourly room rental changes with the number of food orders.

Keeping my brush wet,

Sherrie

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**HOSPITALITY REPORT (Henriette Greer)**

I will be coordinating the member's food requests with Olivia of Roe's Deli. Please make sure I get your requests by the Wednesday before the meeting. I want to give Olivia as much time as I can to obtain the supplies she needs to fill our requests. There might be supply issues.

Olivia has also asked for a head count of members who will be ordering food. You can just let me know if you will be ordering. You do not have to give me your order in advance, but do remember you may not be able to get everything on the menu.

For February the date is 02/07/2024 for food requests.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Sharon Sands)**

There were 24 members and one visitor at our January meeting. Our visitor was Luciana Furlano. She is Stephanie Robinson's granddaughter.

HPDA now has 40 members. We have a returning member who is not in our new directory. Nancy Koffman, 32 Laurel Drive, Ringwood, NJ 07456, phone 973.556.5971. Email [nkoffman@aol.com](mailto:nkoffman@aol.com). birthday 7/25.

We have more directories if you need one. Just let me know.

**PROGRAMS (Maria Bouris) –**

**February** – Henriette Greer (Ceramics)

Cost will be \$5.00

Here are the 3 choices

You do not need to bring any supplies. Everything will be provided.



**March** - Basket Luncheon

**April** – Stephanie Robinson (Berry Sweet Gnome by Erika Joanne).



The packet is \$14.95 which includes the wooden MDF etched ornament, full packet with close up photos, embellishments, Twine, Beads & Jewels.

Stephanie will supply JoSonja paint. You will need the following color pencils, which Stephanie will have for sale at \$2.00 each.

#935 Black,  
#924 Crimson Red,  
#922 Poppy Red,  
#945 Sienna Brown &  
#913 Spring Green.

Please email Stephanie prior to class if you would like the pencils so she can make sure she has enough. [StephJim34232@msn.com](mailto:StephJim34232@msn.com). Please sign up ahead of time, so she can order patterns.

**May** – Toni Van Kirk (Aprons)

**Chris Wolf's art & supplies**

Michaelle Grover will be setting up Chris Wolf's supplies at her house on Saturday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, please stop by her house (5600 14<sup>th</sup> avenue., N, St. Pete, 33710) after our meeting. This is the only day she will have things on display for you to get them.

**SHOW & TELL**

Calling all Painters, Card Makers, Crafters. Etc -- Bring in a piece of your project to the meeting every month. We all love to see what you have created.

**DISPLAY YOUR ART (Roe's Deli Station)**

The Pinellas Park Art Society is opening their art displays to artists and decorative artists outside their society. The cost is \$9 per piece. It can be a painting, mixed media, pottery, sewing, etc. There is a glass case to display art that cannot be hung on the wall. If they get enough entries, they will have judging and possibly monetary awards.

Questions, please contact Mary Weller - 727-278-5560 - [marywppas@gmail.com](mailto:marywppas@gmail.com)

**WAYS AND MEANS REPORT (Toni Van Kirk)**

It was great to be back with my painting sisters and accepting their painted items for Ways & Means. I don't have to tell you that all were perfect. Some brought things that they received in November and some just for a chance to win \$25 dollars (thank you). Sharon Sands won the \$25 for Jan. That is why I love second Sat of the month. February is all heart, roses and candy and beautifully painted circle cut outs 2 shine on our table.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY (Linda McCurdy)**

Thank you thank you thank you to everyone who participated in our Christmas party. Fun day with friends.

I would like to thank everyone on the committee who helped make it possible. Lots of busy hands painting and preparing. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a very Happy NewYear.

**BASKET LUNCHEON (Toni Van Kirk)**

Table Hostess - Please have all envelopes turned in at February meeting.

**SEMINARS (Carol Adams)**

Sandy McTier seminar February 17 & 18, 2024

The seminar is coming up soon. If you have not signed up, please consider doing so. If you are signed up for the seminar, please wear your nametag so that Sandy knows who you are.

I will need your food order from Roe's Deli by Wednesday, 14 February 2024 so I can get the order to Olivia. All of you should have gotten your supply list. If you have questions about it or anything else, please let me know.

February 17, 2024      Peonies in Acrylics  
9 am to 5 pm            in person or zoom    \$65 per day for members    \$75 per day for non-members



February 18, 2024      Mixed Media Flutter  
9am to 5 pm            in person or zoom    \$65 per day for members    \$75 per day for non-members



Sign up is now open for members and non-members. There is limited room so sign up early! You'll need to bring basic painting supplies, including brushes. She'll give us an idea of the brushes we'll need as it gets closer.

**TREASURER’S REPORT (Henriette Greer)**

Previous Month Check Book Balance:

7411.99 7,206.91 8,820.16 12,512.10 11,469.80 11,292.75 6,827.75 6,346.50 6,286.50 6,971.50 7,082.50 6,906.62

INCOME	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2023YTD	APPROVED
Basket Luncheon		2,100.00	7,646.17										9,746.17	9,265.00
Christmas Party									460.00	100.00	240.00		800.00	700.00
Membership	105.00	20.00		45.00	45.00				60.00	380.00	260.00		915.00	700.00
Philanthropic/Donations													0.00	0.00
Newsletter/Advertising													0.00	0.00
Seminar – 2023	120.00	70.00		360.00	450.00	50.00		130.00	355.00	245.00	355.00		2,135.00	1,000.00
Seminar - Thank you													0.00	0.00
Ways & Means - Reflles													0.00	0.00
Other													0.00	0.00
Total Income	225.00	2,190.00	7,646.17	405.00	495.00	50.00	0.00	130.00	875.00	725.00	855.00	0.00	13,596.17	16,855.00
EXPENSES														
Administrative													0.00	200.00
Basket Luncheon		236.75	3,954.23	51.47			100.00			750.00			5,092.45	3,000.00
Christmas Party						215.00	72.12				90.88	1,412.61	1,790.61	1,000.00
Golden Heart Awards													0.00	100.00
Historian													0.00	0.00
Hospitality													0.00	25.00
Bank Charges				1.63									1.63	0.00
Membership													0.00	100.00
Meeting Room Fees	140.00	140.00			160.00	500.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	1,640.00	1,680.00
Newsletter													0.00	0.00
Philanthropic/Donations					399.25								399.25	400.00
Programs	50.00				50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00		400.00	600.00
Seminar-Anna Oke		200.00				3,475.00	119.13						3,794.13	0.00
Seminar – Sandy Mc Tier						250.00							250.00	0.00
Sunshine					37.80								37.80	0.00
Refunds													0.00	0.00
SDP Donations													0.00	500.00
Seminars													0.00	1,000.00
Seminar - Thank You													0.00	500.00
Storage Unit				1,394.20									1,394.20	1,400.00
Sunshine													0.00	50.00
Ways & Means													0.00	0.00
Misc					25.00	25.00				424.00			474.00	100.00
Budget Total														16,855.00
Total Expenses	190.00	576.75	3,954.23	1,447.30	672.05	4,515.00	481.25	190.00	190.00	614.00	1,030.88	1,412.61	15,274.07	
Checkbook Balance	7,206.91	8,820.16	12,512.10	11,469.80	11,292.75	6,827.75	6,346.50	6,286.50	6,971.50	7,082.50	6,906.62	5,494.01		
Money Market	10,676.11		10,676.37			10,676.64			10,676.90			10,677.16		

**SECRETARY REPORT (Carol Hackman)**

DATE Saturday, January 13, 2024

Meeting called by: Sherrie Colgain Time 10 10: am

**Minutes (Carol Hackman)**

- Minutes: Meeting minutes for November 11, 2023 approved as published.

**Treasurer’s Report & Proposed 2024 Budget (Henriette Greer)**

- Treasurer’s report for November 11, 2023 approved as published.

**Birthday Announcements – November 2023 (Sherrie Colgain)**

- Carol Adams, Bev Frandsen

**Christmas Party Gifts**

- Toni Hoffer (Thank you gift)

**Golden Heart Awarded to the following members:**

- Nancy Wieland
- Mickey Minutolo

**K & K Insurance for the year 2024**

- Pay \$390.00 to K & K Insurance.

**Motion:** Michelle Grover

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Kathy Swigon

**Announcement re: Chris Wolfe (Michelle Grover)**

- It was reported that our Dear friend and former member, Chris Wolfe has passed away. Per her wishes, Michelle Grover is handling the distribution of her Art supplies and books. Michelle stated that that the distribution will be held at her home. Details and date to be determined.

**Board Meeting**

- A Board meeting has been scheduled for February 8, 2024 at 10:30 at Roes Deli.

**Roes Deli**

- We have been told that if we don't have enough members in attendance for our General Meeting, we will be required to add an additional \$10.00 per hour to our monthly rent.

**Secretary (Carol Hackman)**

- No Report

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Programs (Maria Bouris)**

- Henriette will be teaching a ceramics project in February.
- Stephanie Robinson will be teaching an Erica Joanne project in April that will require members to sign up.

**Newsletter (Nancy Wieland)**

- Deadline Saturday after our General meeting
- Nancy has done a great job.

**Philanthropic (Micki Minutolo)**

- Our tree donated to the 'Festival of Trees' was a big success. The final bids for the trees sold are not disclosed, however, the minimum bid is \$500.00.
- The theme of next year's festival will be Dogs and Cats.
- We need Easter cards.

**Sunshine (Peggy Babst) Not in attendance**

- Toni Hoffer

**Seminars (Carol Adams)**

- Sandy McTier Seminar – February 17, & 18 2024.
- Peonies (Saturday)

- Mixed Media Floral Flutter (Sunday). Need a good stiff brush for dry brushing.
- If you signed up for the seminar, all information is passed out.
- Carol and Sherry prepped the surfaces. Background, traced the patten, painted the leaves.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice - Membership (Sharon Sands)**

- Number of Members Present: 24 attending members 1 visitor,

#### **Ways & Means ( Toni Van Kirk)**

- The winner of the drawing this month was Sharon Sands.
- Items passed out to be painted for next month.

#### **Hospitality (Henriette Greer)**

- Deadline to pre-order lunches is Friday 1:00. Lunch orders emails may be sent starting Wednesday.

#### **Old Business:**

##### **Basket Luncheon**

- Basket Luncheon – NEW DATE: March 2, 2023.
- Cash & Carry table – bring items that have been priced by you to Maria Bouris. Items must be finished, backs painted etc., ready for sale. Items can be brought to Maria ahead of time to the February meeting. Items can also be dropped off on the day of Set up. Sign up sheet is being passed around.
- Cash and Carry – will also accept credit cards.
- Ticket monies are due at the February meeting.
- Sharon Sands passed out the instructions on how to label your basket.
- Painted items are not required in a basket, however, baskets with painted items sell better.
- Basket Luncheon Sign up sheets are being passed around.

**Tony VanKirk** – has two tables that need to be filled.

#### **New Business:**

- Purchase insurance for Basket Luncheon Event, K&K Insurance  
Permission to pay \$ 400.00 to K&K Insurance Company - One day rider.
- **Motion:** Kathy Swigon
- **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Bev Franson

#### **25th Anniversary Celebration (Sherrie Colgain)**

- The topic of doing something special for our 25<sup>th</sup> year of holding our Basket Luncheon was put forth by Sherrie Colgain. Several ideas such as buying a cake were discussed.

- Sherry Colgain introduced the idea of creating a Special Gift Basket to be raffled
- Sherrie also put forth the question of creating two gift baskets, one for our guests and one for our Hostesses OR one Basket for just the hostesses.

**Sherrie put the option of creating two Baskets, one for Guests and one for Hostesses to a vote by 'Show of Hands'**

- The option of creating two baskets passed.

**Show and Tell**

Tina Vaughn presented some painted rocks

Adjourned : 11:15

Doors open at 9:30am and meeting/program starts at 10am