



Denise Renault, President

**Don't Forget:**

**Send in your November meeting reservation**

**Send in your December Christmas party reservation**

**TOYS FOR TOTS COLLECTION**

**Renew your membership**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Where did the year go? I looked out the window and see the leaves turning. Before you know it, Christmas will be here. Speaking of Christmas, I hope everyone will be able to attend this year's party. Debi has some great things planned, and I am trying to get those two lovely Marines back for our Toys For Tots collection. It's sure to be a great time.

Debi was also offered a great opportunity to allow us to use the Niles Cultural Center to exhibit our talented members' works of art. What a great way to promote our chapter.

I want to thank everyone who took my program at the September meeting. I hope you all enjoyed it and learned something new. It was fun to help everyone explore new things.

On to the November meeting. Don't forget to bake something for the Bake Sale. It is one of the chapters fund raising events for the year. Also, If you haven't bought tickets for the Bombay Box raffle, Don't forget to do so. We will give that lovely box away at the Christmas Party. Bring your items for Chapter display. We didn't have a showing in September, so don't forget to bring your art.

I wanted to take a minute to talk about the newsletter. As a chapter, we are always trying to reduce costs. I am asking that members, who have the capability to receive the newsletter by email, do so. If you are unable, due to co printer, or no computer, we will still send it via mail. This way, we can provide a great newsletter to the members without having to raise dues. Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

See you in November

Denise

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**WINDY BRUSH OPPORTUNITY**

There will be an exhibit of Windy Brushes in the works that will be held at the Niles Historical Museum and Culture Center. Date is TBA. If you are interested in displaying some of your artwork...please contact Debi Gajewski at [thewonderfulwizar dofart@hotmail.com](mailto:thewonderfulwizar dofart@hotmail.com) or call 847-647-0183. This is a wonderful opportunity to not only display all of your talent, but also to gen-

**Windy Brushes  
Treasurer's Report for September 2015**

Checking Acct. Balance as of 9/01/15: \$6,059.12

<u>Account</u>	<u>September Activity</u>	<u>Y-T-D Total</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Administration*	(20.60)	(341.22)	(485)
Bank Charges	0.00	(0.90)	(25)
Communications			
Newsletter	(34.98)	(354.50)	(530)
Website		(43.13)	(35)
Education	(22.20)	(555.40)	(385)
Hospitality**	(102.75)	(809.01)	(1380)
Membership	722.00	987.70	1165
Caring & Sharing		0.00	
Philanthropic		0.00	(400)
Programs	254.53	(396.52)	(325)
Raffle	135.00	596.00	1100
Raffle - President's	100.00	325.98	1000
Sunshine		0.00	(50)
Vintage Books		29.05	100
Ways & Means	77.25	202.75	250
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$1,108.25</u>	<u>(\$359.20)</u>	<u>--</u>

Checking Acct. Balance as of 9/22/15: \$7,167.37

President's Raffle includes payment of \$200 to have Box painted.

\* Administration charges include Chapter Insurance and other miscellaneous income or expenses.

\*\* Hospitality includes Meals, Venue, and Centerpieces

**SUNSHINE—CAMILLE ANZELMO  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:  
OCTOBER**

- Myrna Patterson
- Patricia Berkhout
- Edna DeVore
- Catherine Kamp
- Linda Park
- Camille Anzelmo
- Donna Merrithew
- Barbara Loehman
- Karen Budmats
- Kathy Hellesen

**NOVEMBER**

- Mary Ecker
- Carol Wiksten
- Nanci Hansen
- Luanne Widzisz
- Eileen Hoffman
- Janet Kuehne
- Margaret Royston
- Michelle Andersen
- Christina Wood

**DECEMBER**

- Misty Witt
- Linda Kay
- Stella Willmott
- Jane Drynan



**Sunshine Report from Camille Anzelmo** (who has a new grandson born 9/27)

**DECEMBER CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Our December raffle is one of our biggest fundraisers. Funds raised are used to support chapter events throughout the year. Just a reminder that although we hope for painted items to be donated we will also accept a variety of other donated articles for the raffle. So please help support the chapter by bringing an item for donation to the Christmas Party on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

**BOARD NOTES:**

Seminars: Tracy Moreau— April 2017, Linda Coulter—October 2017  
 November program: Mary Sterling, Cindy Miller & Carol Clair  
 Christmas party will be at Seville Banquet, Streamwood IL  
 2016 Hospitality needs a committee of 3 to 4 people  
 39 members have renewed their membership and 2 new members have joined.  
 November will be annual Bake Sale

NOVEMBER RAFFLE..... NOVEMBER RAFFLE....  
 NOVEMBER RAFFLE

Our past raffles have been successful with the generosity of your past donations. Please bring any items you have for the raffle to the November meeting. We look forward to seeing you, having a good time and raising some funds to support future chapter events.

**ILLINOIS PRAIRIE PAINTERS SEMINARS - 2016**

April 22nd – 24th – Janelle Johnson – Pencils  
 September 16th – 18th – Mary Wiseman – Acrylics

**MEMBERSHIP -----Jan Kuehne**

Fall is in the air so that must mean it's time to renew your Windy Brushes Membership.

Please try to send in your renewal as soon as possible.

Congratulations to Mary Ecker as the winner of four free Membership for 2016 for renewing before or at the September meeting.

Our current membership for 2015 is 81. We have gained a few members this year and also have lost some members due to failure to renew. If you don't remember if you renewed or not feel free to email me or call me. It's better than wasting a check and postage.

So far we have 39 renewals and 2 new members for 2016. Our new members are: Margie Mitchell and Gloria Bogs.

Be sure to introduce yourself when our new members attend a meeting. Some are members of other Illinois Chapters so they will see familiar faces. Others are new to our fantastic art community.

Further in the newsletter there is a Membership Applications for 2016.

Happy Fall to All.

## Windy Brushes General Meeting Minutes— September 12, 2015

Denise Renault- Opened the meeting at 9 AM

Welcomed guests.

Debi Gajewski Briefed everyone on upcoming seminars. Janice miller, Carol Spohn ( note changed date because of change in SDP convention) Web site has discrepancy with the dates, Jamie Mille-Price. Signed contracts for 2017 with Tracey Moreau and Linda Coulter

Christmas Party set. 7 members volunteered to chair the tables. Nutcracker theme.

Ballerina's hired as entertainment

Bring family and friends

Bettie Slazyk Introduced the days program.. as mixed media and welcomed group to learn new things November program will have tidbits and tangles with Mary Sterling, Carol Clair and Cindy Miller

South side brushes will be having Sandy Scales teaching a Maureen McNaughton class on October 18<sup>th</sup>

IPP will be having Cheri Rols

Ruth Duebner Chapter is doing good. Ahead of budget, current balance is \$6,078.16. Ruth has a detailed list available of the line item balances, if you would like a copy.

Chris Lee/NA May meeting minutes accepted motion to accept by Linda Parks / all in favor / passed Ann Johnson NA Newsletters due September 28. Newsletter needs corrections Any corrections please let Denise know.

Chris Wood...28 in attendance today ,discussed food. November meal...turkey? Suggestions welcome.

Christmas party will be at the Seville in Streamwood 700 S Barrington Rd.

Jan Kuehne 81 members- 1 Business 39 new renewal for next year welcome 1 new member Marge. Early membership drawing....Mary Ecker wins free membership.

Denise Renault Discussed Bombay box. \$300 taken I so far on raffle tickets.. Raffle tickets accepted until December. Drawing will be held for most tickets sold. Bring in items for chapter display in November Denise also has pictures of the box if anyone needs. Board meeting will be September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Arts in Bartlett Gallery 6:30 Will meet earlier at Marco's Pizza for Dinner

Board meeting Joint (old and new board members to be held on November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 to learn about what to expect as the board turns over.

Barb Marshall. Thanks for the \$'s spent at ways and means. Bake Sale set for November Has a sign up list Linda Kay Thanked all for bringing in art supplies. Went to Carmelite Home in Indiana. Money accepted as well. 2 projects Snug Hugs for kids. Need hats, scarves, mittens for November meeting Denise volunteered to collect at the November meeting. Truth cards explained for the Brave Girls club. Bring them in for the November meeting.

Carol Clair suggests we do them next year as a project

Centerpieces done by Denise Renault and Chris Wood. Winners were Myrna Patterson, Dorothy Carbonara, Maxine Wallisch Carol Clair and Mary Ann Giovannelli. Carol Buck will be doing November's centerpieces Dorothy Carbonara volunteered to do January's centerpieces

Vintage Books available. Any left will be discarded at the end of the meeting.

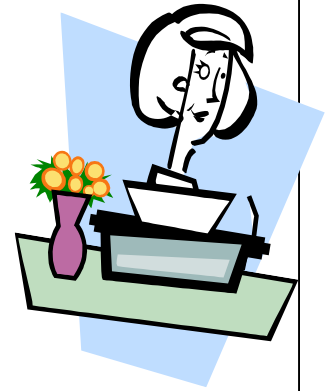
Camille..Barb's husband just finished chemo, acknowledged September birthday's with cards that went out.

Helga Schultz died Linda Kay got married Camille and Chris Wood are to become new grandparents.

Kathleen Crow NA Not much happening at the moment at SDP...new location chosen for 2016 convention is San Diego. New time as well. Time to renew your SDP membership

Nominating Committee Linda Kay Chair...Dorothy Carbonara, Chris Wood, Jan Kuehne met over internet...2016 slate of officers are

President Debi Gajewski, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Chris Wood, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Denise Renault Secretary Cindy Miller, Treasurer Camille Anzelmo Motion to accept by Linda Carlson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dorothy Carbonara. Voting will take place in November.



## CHAPTER DISPLAY

**Don't forget to bring your latest painting for the chapter display.**

## SDP HAPPENINGS

The SDP eZine dated 09/14/15 is full of information. In the "President's Note" Wendy mentions that she is pleased to see "great progress of new things" since she has taken her position. This has put a positive spotlight on decorative painting.

CHA has appointed Mark Hill as it's interim CEO and Pres. and he will also serve as SDP's interim Exec. Director. You can read more about him in the next DP.

October is "Decorative Painting Month". Has anyone done anything to celebrate Decorative Painting? If so, share your project with SDP Blog.

A REMINDER: Chapter Forms for the end of year are due over the next few months. They are listed in this eZine as well as the dates due. The forms are available on the "Chapter's Page" of the SDP website under "Forms" if you need them.

There is a lot more! Take a minute to read, it is interesting.

## WAYS & MEANS

Barbara Marshall

Hi Everyone, Fall is here and I can hardly believe it's time for our November meeting already.

We will be having our annual Bake Sale Raffle. Thank you to all who signed up at our September meeting to bring baked goods. Please remember to have a list of the ingredients or the recipe with your baked goods. They should be wrapped and ready to be won by our lucky members.

I will also have my usual Ways and Means table and some Christmas items also. I have some "Windy Brushes" charms and pins for sale at \$5.00 each. Be sure to stop by to see what I have and to buy some chances .



### FROM THE DESK OF DEBI GAJEWSKI

HO HO HO Christmas is Coming...and so is our Annual Christmas Party. Thank you to the Chairs for this year's tables for the event. They are Bettie Slazyk, Donna Merrithew, Judy Theison, Chris Wood/Denise Renault, Carol Buck, Chris Lee/Cyndi Monroe and Debi Gajewski,. Some of you already know who you are sitting with for the event...if you do not and would like to sit at one of the particular tables...please contact the chairperson so that they may let Chris Wood know when she arranges the seating. Please don't forget that we are having a hand painted Christmas ornament exchange. Bring your unwrapped ornament to hang on our tree. Our theme this year is The Nutcracker ...some ladies like to join their chair in painting a little something for each person at the table...which is always fun to see. Our entertainment will be a Troupe of Ballerina's. We will have a raffle table as usual and a collection for Toy's for Tot's as well. So get ready to put on your "Tootoo" smiles and get ready for a lovely event.

### CARING & SHARING— Happy Holidays! Linda Kay

Thank you to everyone who donated school art supplies and money for the Carmelite Children's Home. Your generosity is wonderful and helping a lot of needy children to create, paint and draw.

For our November meeting, we will be collecting cold weather items such as scarves, hats, gloves/mitten which will be donated to The Snug Hug for Kids project. Sponsored by Merlins, this program helps the IL Children's Home & Aid and you can find more information on this wonderful project at

<http://www.merlins.com/snughugs/>

In December, we will be collecting toys for the Toy's for Tot's program. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy and/or book so that needy children will have a gift during the holidays. This project is sponsored by the U S Marines and serves many families all over the U.S. You can find out more about this wonderful program here <http://www.toysfortots.org/default.aspx>

We continue to collect Brave Girl Truth Cards through the end of the year. We have a good amount started and sure could use some more! These little cards are a wonderful way to encourage women who need a reminder that they are thought of and cared for while trying to make a better life for themselves. I have directions for making these cards available or you can download them here, <http://bravegirlclub.com/truth-card-exchange>

### Facebook

Did you know that Windy Brushes has a Facebook site? If you are a fan of Facebook; please look into becoming a friend on Facebook.



**WINDY BRUSHES 2016 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

The \$20.00 annual membership fee in Windy Brushes of Northern Illinois entitles one to receive six informative bi-monthly newsletters and a Chapter membership directory. It also gives the right to participate in the meetings, programs and educational activities planned by the Chapter. It affords an opportunity to meet other painters throughout the area. ***(Renewal Applications for Windy Brushes membership received after December 1 require an additional \$5.00.)***

***PLEASE PRINT AND FILL IN FORM COMPLETELY***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SDP Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

(required)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (List in directory? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_)

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ (List in directory? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_)

Teacher? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day) New member \_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

Emergency Contact: (Name/Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Membership Fee: \$20.00 (RENEWAL FEE is \$25.00 after December 1st)

**BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP: \$15.00 (must also have individual membership)**

Name of business: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT: Individual \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Business \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*\* Mail Directory \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount: Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Please make your check payable to: WINDY BRUSHES** and mail along with your membership application to: **Jan Kuehne, Windy Brushes Membership Chair, 7030 Barrington Ct, #102, Woodridge IL 60517. For additional membership information contact Jan at 630-515-0441 or [janetkuehne@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janetkuehne@sbcglobal.net)**

**\*\*Membership cards and directories will be distributed at the March Chapter meeting. If you would like your Membership Card and Directory mailed to you, add \$2.00 to your membership payment. No Directories will be mailed without prior payment of the \$2.00. Thank you for your understanding.**

**NOTE: To become a Windy Brushes' chapter member you must be a current member of the Society of Decorative Painters. For more information, go to [Decorativepainters.org](http://Decorativepainters.org) or call 316/269-9300**

**Windy Brushes of Northern Illinois**  
**Saturday December 12, 2015 - CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
**THE SEVILLE**

700 S. Barrington Rd. Streamwood, IL PH: 630-289-4500

**REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST SOCIAL** Starting at 9:00 a.m.  
 Muffins, Donuts, Fresh Fruit, Coffee/Hot Tea

**ENTERTAINMENT—DES PLAINES PARK DISTRICT BALLERINAS**

**LUNCHEON MENU**

- Mixed Salad
  - Chicken Rustica
  - Roast Top Sirloin
  - Duchess Potato
  - Penne with Vodka Sauce
  - Cauliflower/Broccoli Florets with Julian Carrots
  - Rolls and Butter
  - Chocolate Sundae
- Unlimited Soft Drinks, Coffee, Tea and Milk served during meal

**RAFFLE AND CENTERPIECE DRAWINGS**

**RETURN RESERVATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO:**  
**CHRIS WOOD 3685 PEREGRINE WAY ELGIN, IL 60124 630/372-6378**

**WINDY BRUSHES ---DECEMBER 2015 REGISTRATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact information: Name/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee: .....No. attending \_\_\_\_ x \$30.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check payable to Windy Brushes:

Seating preference with: \_\_\_\_\_

(We will try to accommodate preferences for seating)

Reservations due by Saturday December 5 (if mailed late, please call)

Don't forget your painted ornament for the exchange and if you are bringing a guest or two, bring one for them also.



## Windy Brushes– Programs – Bettie Slazyk

Thanks to our teachers Denise, Chris and Debi our September meeting was fun, messy & a good learning experience with a new technique & a product most of us hadn't worked with – a Gelli plate & Triple Thick varnish. Everyone had a goood time. So when you're on a roll – what do you do? Keep the ball rolling of course (or in this case "keep the mojo – mojoing!") So let's all mojo over to our **November meeting**.

**Our November "mojo moves"**– oops - excuse me – **Program** will consist of three teachers with three separate classes. What a deal! Our teachers are **Mary Sterling, Carol Clair and Cindy Miller**.

We'll start our **first project immediately after our Chapter meeting with Mary's project** which includes **embossing on cards, bookmarks & gift tags**. She will supply paper, envelopes, rubber stamps, heat guns, etc. **Supplies:** You will need to bring scissors or paper cutter, pencil, or ruler or 1" square. Colored pencils (optional). **The Cost: \$1.50**

**After lunch we will have two projects taught that will be each 1 1/2 hours long.** You will have enough time to attend both classes. **The following two classes were taught at the Windy Brushes weekend retreat in January 2015 with a very favorable response of attendees.**

**The second class will be taught by Carol Clair** - she will be teaching how to paint **One Stroke Holly Leaves and Berries on a wine caddy that holds two glasses.**

**The cost is \$4.00.** The surfaces will be base coated by Carol prior to the class.

**Supplies:** You will need to bring: Brushes- #12 flat and #2 liner; chalk pencil (she'll have some to share); #2 pencil, 1 sheet tracing paper, water basin, paper towels, palette paper or a couple of foam plates; 1/4" & 1/2" daubers to use to make the berries (she will have some of these to share as well). All paints will be provided.

**Cindy Miller will teach the third class.** It is a procedure using a medium that will mimic printing with a Gelli plate. We will use acrylic paint, textured items, stamps, and etc., to create a design on various papers that will be used to create TP album and tags. **These techniques can then be used to create a scrapbook, art journal or memory album. The cost will be \$5.00.**

**Supplies to bring:** Three of your favorite colors of acrylic paint      Scissors

Gelli Plate (if you have one)      Double stick tape or quick dry glue

Junky 1" brushes (they will get some hard use base coating the rolls & the modpodge)

Stamps and ink pads      Brayer (if you have one)      Rubber Gloves (optional)

You'll receive a packet that includes a printing plate, tags, TP rolls, hinges, binder rings, and other goodies for making the mini-books. She will supply ribbon and embellishments and modpodge to use in class.



Mary Sterling



Carol Clair



Cindy Miller

**Hospitality collects all PROGRAM COSTS** – so include these costs with your lunch - check off which class/es you will take:

### **2016 Program - January 9th – Carol Buck**

Carol will be teaching a project on a silk scarf painted with Sharpie Markers then sprayed with alcohol. Once sprayed with alcohol the colors will bleed together and make a pretty design. Heat set and you have a colorful scarf.

Further info to follow. Or contact - **Programs, Bettie Slazyk 219-972-9439 eslazyk@cs.com**

**WINDY BRUSHES OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS MEETING**  
**SATURDAY NOV 14, 2015**

**IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (THE "RED DOOR CHURCH")**  
415 W. North Avenue Bartlett, IL 630-289-1320

**SCHEDULE:**

9:00 Registration opens – Continental Breakfast, Coffee & Tea Service  
(Coffee and tea will be provided. Members are asked to bring food  
for the Continental Breakfast. We had a nice variety at our past  
meetings, so if everyone can do the same and bring an item for  
breakfast to the November meeting it should be fine).

**If needed, you can contact Chris Wood regarding what you would like to bring for breakfast and  
she can advise on what others are bringing or what might be needed.**

9:30 Meeting and then Painting  
11:30 Lunch  
12:30 – 3:00 Painting

**RESERVATION  
DEADLINE  
NOVEMBER 7**

Lunch will be Roasted Turkey and Deep Fried Turkey in Olive Oil; Mashed Potatoes with Gravy; Green Bean  
Casserole; Mixed Salad; Pumpkin Pie. **Additional desserts are always welcome.**

**NOVEMBER PROGRAM**

Embossing by Mary Sterling      Holly Berries by Carol Clair      Scrapbooking by Cindy Miller

**RETURN RESERVATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO:**

**CHRIS WOOD 3685 PEREGRINE WAY ELGIN, IL 60124 630/372-6378**

**WINDY BRUSHES --NOVEMBER 2015 REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact information: Name/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Fee: .....No. attending \_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Program Fee.....  
\_\_\_\_\_ Embossing by Mary Sterling @ \$1.50  
\_\_\_\_\_ Holly Berries by Carol Clair @ \$4.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Scrapbooking by Cindy Miller @ \$5.00

Total amount enclosed.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Late reservations: email or call Chris: [cmwood721@aol.com](mailto:cmwood721@aol.com) 630/372-6378