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Meeting: July 9, 2011 Time: 10:00 A.M.

[Note: Doors will open at 9:00 am to set up for White Elephant Sale]

**Greenhill Baptist Church
1734 Augusta Road
West Columbia, SC**

President's Message



Well, somehow half the year is over. How did that happen? Two more months of hot, hot weather, then September, when we will, hopefully, get a break. Next meeting is our White Elephant sale when we bring in all our unfinished/unwanted/unneeded craft items. Check through all your closets, under your beds and couches, behind your dressers, in your storage sheds for stuff to bring. We want surfaces, paints, patterns, books, instructions, craft materials, etc, etc, etc. Bring your items and buy someone else's; recycling at its finest.

And of course, Tacky Wood. Anyone can participate. Just be sure to bring your surface wrapped so no one can tell what it looks like when we exchange. Remember you can add to the surface BUT not remove anything. Paint your Tacky Wood and bring it back at the Christmas party.

Thanks to Brenda Gray for your fun class last month. We learned about stamping and inks and came away with three great cards. She had cards, inks of all kinds, stamp pads, cleaners, misters, etc. She even had message stamps for the cards. Thanks Brenda for all your hard work. Those cards will come in handy-if I can convince me not to keep them for myself.

We still need a Christmas committee. Pam and I did that last year and it was kind of a fun thing. You get to get decorations, paper products, the entree and organize a few games and get prizes for the winners (last year we had \$10 gift cards for AC Moore). The party theme could be the same as the pass around box (An Old Fashioned Christmas). Think about heading this with a friend or two. We have a budget of around \$200-\$250 for this.

And we are going to need new officers for 2012. Think about that also.

See you in July.



Carol

SEMINAR HAPPENINGS

The projects for our watercolor seminar with Mary Spires were chosen at our meeting last month. The "Bird of Paradise" will be taught on Friday, September 30th, and "White Azaleas" will be taught on Saturday, October 1st. The pictures of the projects are also on our website.

The price will be \$45 each day and if you will go to our website palmettopainters.com, you can print out a registration form. I will bring some forms to the meeting this month if you would like to reserve your space.

Brenda Gray and I have both taken classes with Mary and she is a lot of fun. I hope you won't miss this opportunity to paint with her. We have not had a national watercolor teacher in quite awhile.



Linda Frick

2011 Seminars

Mary Spires, Water Color

**Friday and Saturday
September 30th and October 1st**



\$\$\$\$ TREASURER'S REPORT \$\$\$\$

Please see attached PDF files.

Pam Spurrier,
Treasurer

PALMETTO PAINTER CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
June 11, 2011

Call to Order: President Carol Blackwood called the meeting to order at 10:15 am. Sixteen members and no visitors were in attendance at the meeting held at Green Hill Baptist Church.

Last month's meeting: The May meeting was very short during the extended day painting with Charlotte Scurry. The April minutes and treasurer's report were accepted as written in the May newsletter.

Treasurers report: Chris Hall made a motion to accept the treasurers report for May as written in the last newsletter. Regina Swygert seconded and the motion was carried.

Sunshine: Linda Frick was back after her knee surgery and Sheryl Minor was back after her gallbladder surgery. Brenda Grey informed us that her grandson who was so sick last year graduated from high school and has a full scholarship to USC.

Committees: Brenda Grey and Tweedy Rauch have agreed to continue as chairpersons for the State Fair committee. We will have demonstrations only; no make-it-take-it this year. Tweedy reminded us to start working on our pieces for entry.

Newsletter: Carol Blackwood has asked that newsletter items for this month be sent to her since Beth Cotten will be out of town.

Library display: Beth Cotten has removed several things from the library display that people have requested be returned. Carol has them at the meeting this month.

Membership: Charlotte Scurry is working on the membership list which has dwindled to less than 30 members. She hopes to have it ready to be delivered with the next newsletter.

Publicity: Pam Spurrier mentioned that the newspaper is doing more on-line for this type of advertising but a few members did see information about the meeting in the paper.

Seminars: Linda Frick announced that today was the last day to vote on the pictures for the Mary Spires seminar which will be Sept 30-Oct 1. The fee will be \$45 per day. She is going to try to reserve the Stamping Place to hold the seminar.

Board Meeting: Carol Blackwood will try to schedule a board meeting for the last Sunday afternoon in June.

VCR tapes: Wanda Millians has reduced the price on the VCR tapes to 50 cents each. Today will be the last day to purchase the tapes.

Sistercare: Carol Blackwood announced that she had received a letter from Sistercare asking for donations. She reminded us that we usually donate part of the proceeds from the auction held in October.

Programs: The July meeting will be the white elephant sale and tacky wood. Look through your stash of painting supplies and surfaces and bring what you no longer want to the sale next month. Try to come a little early so we can get the silent auction set up.

Chris Hall announced that we still need a program for August. Please contact her if you would like to volunteer.

Sheryl Minor will teach acrylics in September; maybe something similar to the painting she brought for show and tell.

October is the auction of handmade items. It is not too early to be thinking about what to make. For the November program, Pam Spurrier will be doing an extended day tile project on a tray.

Officer Installation: The officers for 2011 were installed in a ceremony at today's meeting.

SDP dues: There was discussion about the increase in dues for SDP for next year. They will be going from \$40 to \$50 per year

Adjournment: Tweedy made a motion to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Klemme

PROGRAM FOR JULY 9TH MEETING **White Elephant Sale and Tacky Wood**

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE: It's that *fun* time of the year again! Here is your chance to gather up items you no longer have use for and bring them to the July meeting. The event is a "silent auction" sale where you get a chance to out-bid other members for your heart's desire.

The items you bring are not restricted to UFO's [unfinished objects you once started], or art related items, but remember, if you don't want to drag them back home with you, be sure what ever you bring are things another member might like to have and will bid for the them; i.e. ***not something you would throw in the trash.*** You are not restricted as to how much or how little you can bring. What a great chance to make room in your studio, painting space, or home and to help raise money for the club.

Chris Hall will open the doors at 9:00 am for everyone to arrive and to set up tables and place your items for the silent auction. The regular meeting will start at 10:00.

TACKY WOOD: Another *fun* event that starts in July and finishes in December! If you haven't participated before, try it! This is how it works. You pick out some type of wooden surface, any size, wrap it so it cannot be seen; brown paper bag, newspaper, box, bag, etc. Do not put your name on the bag. Bring it to the July meeting. Chris Hall will be collecting the items you bring.

A number will be assigned to each item and then the participants will choose an item [method of selection to be determined by Chris]. When everyone has their Tacky Wood item, they will open the item for everyone to see. The participants then take home the item and paint it according to their chosen design and bring it back in December at the Christmas party, wrapped in Christmas paper. The "tacky wood items" will then be exchanged with the other participants, again, in a method determined by Chris. The packages will then be opened so everyone can see the items, which are miraculously not "tacky" anymore! Lots of "ooos" and "aaahs" at this point, as they are revealed. Finally, through a process of the Chinese Christmas Gift Exchange, everyone participating take one of the new, no longer tacky wood pieces. If that is confusing, I am confused too!

Tile Art - Pam Spurrier
November 12, 2011 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

In November, I will be teaching a “tile art” tray project. You will need a few supplies that you might not have on hand. I am providing the supply list now so that you can take advantage of coupons at AC Moore, Michael’s and Hobby Lobby and so that you will have time to prepare the artwork you wish to use. A photo of the project follows the supply information. [Editors note: I enlarged the photo so you can see it a little better, but it also makes it somewhat out of focus, sorry...]

If we all use the same size tray then we can each use a copy of our own artwork to create the tray. You need to purchase a tray that has the interior, bottom dimensions of 9½ inches by 12 inches (or 12½ inches). AC Moore carries an unfinished tray that is this size; the number on the tray is WOD 1066 M; it costs about \$5. You can use any WOOD tray as long as the interior bottom dimensions are 9 ½ inches by 12 or 12 ½ inches. **If you purchase an unfinished tray, you must finish it before the meeting;** remember that the “tiles” will be made from foam board and will be white.

You will need to print/photocopy your artwork on 8½ inch x 11 inch paper – and you want the art to fill the entire page. **Bring two color copies** on quality photo paper; spray each with a coat of fixative. Use whatever photo paper works for your printer. I use Epson Premium Presentation Matte for my prints.

Also bring two black and white prints – these can be printed on regular paper – to use to work out how you will cut your colored prints to make the tiles. If you do not have a jpg copy of one of your pieces, I can supply a set of mine at a cost of \$5; you will have to tell me by the October meeting if you want this. But, I hope you use your own work so the tray will be special for you. Call me or e-mail me if you have questions about printing your artwork.

Here are the other supplies that you will need:

- white glue, enough to glue down the tiles, glue art to top of tiles, and then completely seal tray bottom and tiles twice
- 3/16” foam core board (watch the ads, this often goes on sale)
- 4 oz Envirotex Lite (both AC Moore and Michael’s carry this)
- glue brush – this should NOT be a foam brush as you have to get between the tiles and a foam brush will leave behind little

“crumbs”. You probably have a small, old paint brush that will work

2 or 3 1” foam brushes

straight edge

pencil

two plastic, 12 oz cups to stir Envirotex Lite

plastic knife or long wooden stick to stir Envirotex Lite

protective gloves

something to cover your tray after we pour the final coating.

The Envirotex Lite takes 72 hours to completely cure. You might be able to use the leftover foam board. A box would also work.

We will need several of the following items: embossing gun; paper cutter; and, mat cutter (this works the best for cutting the foam board into tiles). I have one of each, but we really need several. If you can bring any of the following, please let me know.

From personal experience, I can attest that Envirotex Lite will NOT come out of cloth or paper so be sure to wear something old!

Project Photo



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Our July birthdays! Happy Birthday!



Jackie Wingard 7/9
Mary L. Blackwell 7/20
Pam Spurrier 7/23



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

July: Tacky Wood and White Elephant Sale

August: Barbara Klemme, Zentangle

September: Sheryl Miner will teach an acrylics project

October: Annual Auction

November... Pam Spurrier, **Extended Day, Tile Tray**

December: Christmas Party

Note: Contact Chris Hall if you have suggestions for the "open" months; or _____

AUGUST PROGRAM

I will be conducting an exercise using the Zentangle method. First we will practice on a tile, then we will be making a note card with a background made using alcohol inks and a Zentangle design.

If you want to learn about Zentangle, calm the mind, reduce stress, improve focus and turn simple patterns into artistic designs, join us for the August meeting. All you need to bring is a Micron 01 Pigma pigment black ink pen by Sakura. I will provide the paper, note-cards, etc., for a few dollars. Watch for pictures in next month's newsletter!

Barbara Klemme



BETH'S BUZZ Newsletter submissions are due to your Editor by the 23rd of each month. Please submit your articles, recipes, photos, lesson plans, etc. by the due date. Please mark them "Newsletter Item" Thank you for your cooperation, support and most of all, your patience!

NOTE: I WILL BE ON VACATION, VISITING FAMILY IN TEXAS, ARIZONA, AND CALIFORNIA IN JULY/AUGUST. PLEASE SEND YOUR NEWSLETTER ITEMS FOR THE AUGUST NEWSLETTER TO CAROL BLACKWOOD: carolblackwood@yahoo.com. Carol will be preparing the newsletter and I am sure she will appreciate your timely articles and information.

Beth Cotten, Editor

