

Southern Oregon Decorative Artists

Club Meeting Minutes – March 23, 2024

A meeting of Southern Oregon Decorative Artists was held on Saturday, March 23, 2024, at the Live Oak Grange in Rogue River, Oregon. President Kellie Pomeroy called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. There were 16 members and no guests present.

Kellie shared the club decals she had made and gave each new member a decal. She also passed out our new business cards to anyone needing them.

Seminars – Kathy Prewitt

Judy Ribitch – Kathy handed out surfaces and prep sheets to those members who are registered for this seminar. She also shared several stencils as examples of what to use when prepping the pieces.

Treasurer's Report – Judi Henshaw

Judi reported on our current bank funds. She also reported that the audit of our 2023 books was performed by Claudia and Chris.

Kellie reported that she has been working with the IRS to get us set up as a Not-for-Profit (501 C7) club. She has amended our club's By Laws to reflect this status. It will take the IRS 30 days to accept us as a Not-for-Profit organization, and Kellie plans to file our taxes as soon as we receive their acceptance. We have until May 15 to file.

Website – Karen Damerow

The amended By Laws are now up on the website along with several new photos on the photo page.

Newsletter – Claudia Plankenhorn

The deadline for the next edition of the newsletter is April 15. Kellie encouraged everyone to contribute to the newsletter by submitting short painting tips, etc.

Ways & Means – Julie Veronneau

Bunco Party – Julie reminded us that we need everyone's participation to make the Bunco party fundraiser a success. We will need 84 painted party favors and 42 painted door prizes along with 50 raffle prizes. Judi shared a completed party favor, a phone stand.

Special Raffles – Two of our past members Joyce Albee and Nancy Murray have recently passed away and their families have donated several nice wood pieces to our club. Julie shared two of the large pieces that we will be raffling off to our club members in special raffles. The first item to be raffled is a rolling storage chest for paint and painting items. The raffle for this item will be held at our April seminar, although the raffle winner does not need to be present to win. The second item is a large box on a stand and will be raffled at our May club meeting. There are also many JoSonja paints which will be raffled separately. Tickets for these special raffles are \$2.00 each or 6 tickets for \$10.00. Tickets can be purchased from Julie.

Membership – Kathryn Hardy

We currently have 33 members.

Club Storage – Kellie explained that All States Tax Service in Rogue River is allowing us to store some boxes in their back room. Some of these boxes contain items that will be added to our monthly raffles soon.

Kellie explained that we have out-grown our current small storage unit, and have made arrangements to move to a larger unit at Rogue River Storage. We plan to go through all the boxes in our current storage unit #68 and move them to our new unit #18 on Wednesday, March 27. Kellie asked all members to help with this project. The address for Rogue River Storage is 5350 N. River Rd., Rogue River.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m. at which time Kellie Pomeroy taught a lovely Paulette DeGesare design.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Damerow

Secretary