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Charleston Chapter of Decorative Painters

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Meeting at a glance Date: Saturday Apr 24

Time: 9 am- 3 pm;

Place: St Thomas Episcopal Church; **Location:** 1150 E. Montague Ave, N Charleston, St

President: Carol Spiller

1st Vice pres Liz Smith

2nd. Vice Pres: Jean Spearin

3rd Vice Pres.: Jane Burroughs

Secretary: : Mary Lou Blackwell

Treasurer: Joyce Waters

Appointed Officers

Membership Susan Pleasant

Publicity: Meg Grimball

Hospitality: Cheryl Stringer

Pat Simpson----843-559-2989

Special Events: Bonnie Seymour

Newsletter & Web site: Gretchen Hunter

Historian: Brenda Sawyer

Community Service: Lillian Mros

Corresponding Secretary – Betty Snead



I hope that each of you had a wonderful Easter weekend with family and friends. I was sure glad to have the temperature change; it made the Easter weekend beautiful for all of us. The Easter Bunny came to visit us in Virginia; we went up to see our youngest son and his family. The colors in the scenery are amazing as things come back to life, the cherry blossoms were blooming so you had pinks, and the trees are budding up so you have greens, oranges and lavenders. Life really is beautiful, let's paint it. Carol



Hospitality

Thank you, Gretchen, Jane, Jean, Betty and Kits for providing the refreshments for the March meeting. The following members have signed up for April:

Sweets: Pam McClellan and Chris Solomon*
Salty: Joan Danovich and Joyce Waters
Beverages: Mary Lou Blackwell and Sherry Miller
Other: Pat Simpson and Chris Solomon*

* Chris, I noted that you signed up for two items. We certainly don't expect you to bring both. Your choice of one of these will be fine.

Please notify me if you will not be attending the meeting. Thank you. Cheryl



Seminar Information

At the last meeting we voted to have Gretchen Parker (colored pencils) in 2011. I am taking deposits for Gretchen Cagle, June 4, 5, 6. We picked a 2 day piece to do on Sat. and Sun. Morning Glories, Daffodils, Columbine and Fridays project is Ripe & Juicy-Citrus Fruit it is two pieces one is lemons and the other is oranges. We have Andy Jones booked for Sept. 30, Oct. 1, 2 2011. Please take a look at the teachers that were in last month's newsletter, we need to book teachers for 2012 as soon as we can. See you at the meeting, Jane

Ways and Means

Thank-you to everyone for supporting our \$1.00 raffles. Our fundraiser tickets are now available if you didn't get yours at the last meeting I will have them again this month. Brenda has sent everyone an e-mail picture of the quilt so you can down load it or get a 4x6 picture from Brenda. We will have a special 2 month raffle this month, Sherry Nelson's latest book on butterflies, Bonnie had it bound and it is also autographed. This is a very nice book to add to your collection. See you all at the meeting. Jean



CCDP On Facebook!

I've set up a Facebook page for the chapter. Facebook is a social networking website where members connect with friends and become "fans" of organizations like ours. National has a page as do many chapters. A Facebook page is used to promote a chapter for membership growth, information distribution, seminar promotion etc... I set up our page and sent invitations to become a "fan" to decorative painter "friends" of mine as well as other artists, "big brushes" and chapters. As of this writing we have 122 fans!

I will be in Boston in April and will miss our meeting, but in May I will bring a laptop with a wireless internet connection to introduce Facebook to those who are not familiar with it. If you are already on Facebook here is our fan page link:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Charleston-Decorative-Painters/103938122978188> . If you are not on Facebook already you can follow the link and look for directions to start a Facebook account.

I'd like to post meeting photos and information so please e-mail me those if you have them. See you in May!

Kathy Sweeney
 kathysweeney@gmail.com

Cool Lime Cheesecake

Crust

- 1 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 3 tbsp stick butter or margarine
- 3 tbsp Equal or Splenda or 3 packets

Filling

- 2 pkgs (8 Oz ea) reduced-fat cream cheese, softened
- 2/3 cup Equal or Splenda or 16 packets
- 2 egg whites
- 1 egg
- ½ tsp grated lime peel
- 1tbsp fresh lime juice

Crust – combine graham cracker crumbs, butter and Equal in bottom of 8-inch spring form pan; pat evenly on bottom and up side of pan. Bake in preheated 325° oven 8 minutes.

Filling – Beat cream cheese and Equal in med size bowl until fluffy. Beat in egg, egg whites, lime peel and lime juice until well blended. Pour cream cheese mixture into prepared crust.

Bake in preheated 325°oven 30-35 min or until center is almost set. Cool on wire rack. Refrigerate at least 3 hrs before serving.

I used a readymade graham cracker crust since I don't have a spring form pan. Enjoy!! Gretchen

CCDP Regular Meeting. March 27, 2010

President: Carol Spiller called the meeting to order at 9:15 am. She welcomed everyone.

1st Vice president: Liz Smith. Program is being given by Gretchen Hunter today.

2nd Vice President: Ways and Means: Jean Spearin. She received a letter from Andy Jones. She will pass it around. She suggested that we take pictures of items for raffle fund raiser. The tickets are here and ready to be picked up. We don't have the pictures of the items; Brenda Sawyer offered to email the pictures to the members.

3rd Vice President: Seminar: Jane Burroughs. We had a board meeting on Valarie Stewart. We have to pay the Teacher Fee but nothing else. We have 13 people committed to paint. The deposit is due 45 days prior to the class. Board voted to give 10% off which would make the fee \$250.00 Jane Burroughs offered to take payments. The total fee will be \$250.00 with \$150.00 down. Jane talked to Andy Jones. He will be here Sept. 30, Oct. 1 & 2, 2011. Brenda suggested we have Gretchen Parker, who is a pencil artist for 2011. Motion was made by Bonnie Seymour and 2nd by Chris Soloman. Motion carried. Non-member fee for Valarie Stewart will be \$125.00 a day.

We need to vote on Gretchen Cagle for 2012, June 4, 5, & 6.

Gloria Perkins will be here Aug. 6, 7, & 8.

Kathy George will be here Oct. 1, 2, & 3.

Secretary: Mary Lou Blackwell. A motion was made by Brenda Sawyer to accept the minutes, 2nd by Jane Burroughs. Motion was carried.

Treasurer: Joyce Waters: Balance of \$_____ in bank account.

Membership: Susan Pleasant not present. Sherry Miller filled in for Susan. 17 members were present, no visitors. No door prize available.

Publicity: No report.

Hospitality: Cheryl Stringer and Pat Simpson. They thanked all who brought food.

Special Events: Bonnie Seymour. No report.

Newsletter: Gretchen Hunter. Please send in your information for the newsletter.

Historian: Brenda Sawyer. She has all of the pictures and is working on getting them into the book.

Corresponding Secretary: Betty Snead: no calls

Community Service: Lillian Mros, no report. Lillian is having knee surgery on the 25th of April.

Old Business: Motion was made by Sherri Miller, 2nd by Brenda Sawyer to accept the budget. Motion carried. New Business: Kathy Sweeney offered to set up a Face Book for the Chapter. Bonnie Seymour made a motion to have her do this and it was 2nd by Brenda Sawyer. Motion carried.

Raffle was held, meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted by Mary Lou Blackwell, Sec.

\$\$ Treasurer's Report –March 31, 2010 \$\$

Reported by Joyce

Opening Balance as of March 1, 2010-----\$

Deposits:

3/27/10	1354	DAC – Void	
3/27/10		Jane Burroughs	
3/27/10		Jean Spearin	
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Total Deposits			



Expenses:

3/27/10	1356	Bonnie Seymour	
3/27/10	1357	DAC – Donation	
3/27/10	1358	SDP – Scholarship Fund	
Total Expenses			

Ending Balance as of March 31, 2010 is 7594.06



Happy Anniversary
Carol and Harold Blackwood
 4/29

Brenda and Dusty Sawyer
 4/22

Elexsis and David Sutton 4/29

Kathy and Eddie Lee