



BHADA

Black Hills Area Decorative Artists

Joyce's Jingle



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Happy New Year Everyone. Hoping each of you had memorable holidays and are ready to roll into a new year of fun and activities. With all of the program and hostess slots filled assures we will be well fed and entertained. Looking forward to seeing everyone January 20th.

Joyce

- * **Next BHADA Meeting is Jan 20, 2024 at 9:30 in the Galilee room at Terra Sancta.**
- * **Painting project will be painting ornaments for the veterans led by Bonnie E.**

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If you were unable to make it to the December meeting and participate in the ornament exchange, bring your ornament to the January meeting and there will be another Exchange.

BHADA Pictures that you have taken and would like on the website, please send to Jo Ann our webmaster.

Door Prize won by Jackie and painted by Bonnie



Cindy Jan 4
Signe Jan 25

2024 BHADA OFFICERS

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Birthdays
of the
Month



Meeting Minutes



Ten members of the Black Hills Area Decorative Artists met at Terra Sancta Dec. 16, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by Pres. Jackie H. The first order of business was to call for a motion to accept the minutes of the Nov. meeting as written in the newsletter. Luann B. made the motion which was seconded by Sally C. A discussion was held about correcting the dates for the Fall Seminar. The correct dates are Sept. 27, 28, 29, 2024. The motion to correct this was approved. Treas. Mary Z presented the financial report to the group and it was filed for audit.

Committee Reports:

Spring Retreat: Jackie reported that the motel for retreat does not provide breakfast, but the club members will provide this meal. Lunch is catered.

Fall Seminar: Jackie reported the definite dates for Sandy LeFlore to teach are Sept. 27, 28, 29. Classes will not be held in the regular room we have been using. She also said that we must all be careful about paint splatters on chairs and floors.

Hospitality: Everyone brought treats today. Linda K will bring treats in Jan.

Monthly Programs: Betty B has agreed to chair this committee again.

Membership: Connie M. reported that 26 members have paid.

Newsletter: Luann B. set deadline for entries for Dec. 27.

Ways & Means: Nelda report that we will not do door prizes for all attendees. There will be only 1 raffle prize. This year raffle tickets will only be available at the event. These changes were discussed at the Nov. meeting.

Memory Boxes: Bonnie reported that the Monument Health Hospital is out of boxes again due to a high rate of losses this last week. We had 3 to send with volunteers today. Please don't forget to paint boxes for next month.

Holiday Event: We exchanged ornaments after the meeting. GREAT fun!

New Business: The American Legion Auxiliary in Spearfish sent a thank-you note for the 'Vet Ornaments' we painted for their annual Christmas party..

Show & Share: Karol and Connie showed recently painted projects.

Door Prize: Jackie won the door prize painted by Bonnie. Jackie will paint the prize for January.

The meeting was adjourned to exchange our painted ornaments and to enjoy the feast of goodies after the exchange. Nelda made us all laugh and cheer during the fun fishing for candy cane game. Thanks, Nelda!

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie E. Secretary





SHARING MEMORIES



Once it was shopping, wrapping, cooking, making cut-out cookies with colored frosting and, of course, sprinkles, making ornaments out of homemade clay, making New Years resolutions. But we made it through. For many, years later, it became catalog ordering with packages delivered to the house, gift bags (applause) and gift cards. Simpler but still tiring. Things change over time--except the list of resolutions. I find I can use that same list year after year after year.

I know several women who are caretakers for family members who are ill or have dementia. They often comment, "This is not what I signed up for." Oh, but it is. It is part of family as it ages or that "in sickness and in health" section of the marriage vows. However, that vow was possibly made by a young person whose world was focused on wedding plans and a fairytale vision of the future.

When families lose an infant, their future visions are destroyed. This was not at all a part of their mental family plan. But, in spite of their current tragedy, they can be led toward hope. We want our memory boxes to provide that first smile, that first belief, that better days are coming. Make one of your resolutions to be a source of hope by painting a memory box. Put it at the top of the list.



MEMORY BOX ARE ALWAYS NEEDED

BHADA 2024 Officers:

Secretary - Bonnie E: * Treasure - Mary Z: * Vice Pres- Connie M. * Past Pres. - Jackie H:



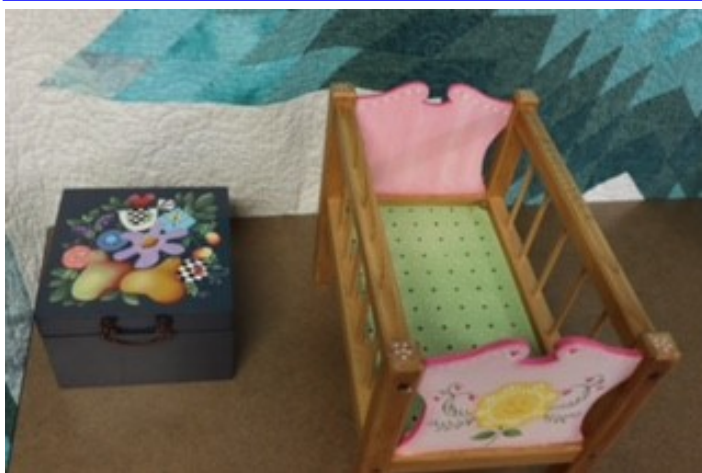
Pres- Joyce V



Christmas Ornament/Exchange
Fronts & Backs

Show & Share projects that were painted by members and shared.

Memory boxes

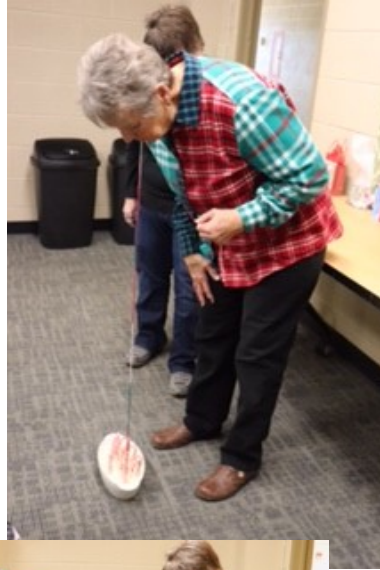




2023 Christmas Party



Fishing for A Candy Cane



Jackie's Last Rambles

Holy Smokes Ladies, you've out done yourselves again! Loved all the different patterns, styles and ideas on that same lil' 'ol wooden circle! I can hardly wait until those who couldn't make it in December all bring your exchanges for the rest of us to see. You will exchange with others who couldn't be there. We missed you all...hope and pray those of you who were sick are feeling better...those who were gone have returned safely ♥

There will be several mentions of the Fall Seminar date change in this newsletter, please make a note on your calendars indicating Fall Seminar will be a week later than usual, September 27,28 & 29 are the dates. I will be contacting Sandy Leflore to inquire about some samples we might choose from.

Spring Retreat is coming along nicely. The Committee has received some super awesome project suggestions and maybe we'll have a little silliness thrown in for Saturday night. Please plan to be in Whitewood with " your bells on". Date is April 19th after 4p.m. and the 20th and 21st for regular retreat days.

In January, Bonnie is planning to get a good start on this year's Veterans ornaments. That way, we'll have plenty of time to get them painted before the deadline. □

Bonnie also reported the hospitals are in desperate need of Memory Boxes. Especially the large ones that R.C. prefers. Let's put our best brush forward to address this need. □

Thank you for all your help and patience this past year.

I pray you are all well and will
enjoy a Happy Healthy New Year.

Love Jackie

Sallys Toffee Roca

1 cup butter
1 cup sugar Sally used brown sugar
1 cup sliced almonds
1 cup semi-sweet choc. Chips

Mix butter and sugar in skillet over medium high heat until mixture loses its puffiness and starts to look stringy and takes on a caramel color.

Take off heat stir in almonds pour on the cookie sheet 8 X11. Sprinkle chips on top and let them melt a little before spreading.

Refrigerate until set. Break into pieces. Keeps well in fridge

Great treats!



Christmas Ornament Exchange

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BHADA Committee Chairs For 2024

Memory Box Program – Bonnie and Mary
 Membership - Connie
 Hospitality – Linda K
 Monthly Programs – Betty B.
 Ways & Means – Linda K & Nelda
 Fall Seminar – Jackie & Diane
 Spring Retreat 2024 – Jackie, Sally & Diane
 Webmaster & Facebook – Jo Ann
 Holiday Exchange – Nelda
 Newsletter – Luann & Janae
 Sharing Memories—Mary
 Publicity - Karol J
 Audit - Janae & Luann

Monthly Programs For 2024

January 20	Bonnie E. Vet ornaments
February 17	Debby C.
March 16	Easter Egg Exchange
April 19-21	Spring Retreat
May 18	Janae & Luann
June 15	Jackie
August 17	Linda H.
September 26-29	Fall Seminar
October 19	Bunco Party
November 16	Sally & Diane
December 21	Christmas Exchange- Everyone Bring Treats

HOSPITALITY LIST 2024

January 20	Linda K. & Bonnie
February 17	Janae & Luann
March 16	Linda H & Deb
April 19-21	Everyone Brings Treat
May 18	Diane & Sally
June 15	Karol & Jackie
August 17	Dorothy & Joyce
September 26-29	Everyone Brings Treats
October 19	Everyone Brings Cookies
November 16	Mary & Deb
December 21	Christmas Exchange-- Everyone bring Treats Installation of officers

