

February 2026



Location: Messiah Lutheran Church Gym – Rm 204

Address: 14920 Hutchison Road (1/2 block North of Ehrlich Rd.) Tampa, Fl.

Date: January 17th 2026

Time: Doors open Time: Doors open at **9:00am** – **Social Time: 9:30** – “Random act of Kindness” (different every month, mini program, basic paint skills, etc.) **9:45am** – **Meeting starts. Program** - starts after the meeting

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2nd VP Membership	Carol Adams
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Christmas Party	

2026 Meeting Dates

Feb	21st	Aug	15th
March	21st	Sept	19th
April	18th	Oct	17th
May	16th	Nov	21st
June	20th	Dec	5th
July	18th		

President: Sherrie Colgain



Thank you, Kathy Swigon, for teaching the January program. The busted canvas project opened a lot of creative ideas bouncing around in the room.

We also have started our RAK program. This is a small painted item given to others to lift their spirits, make them smile, or as a Thank you! It is not a large or complicated project. We will paint one each month before the meeting, so bring a few small brushes. We can use RAK's to promote decorative painting, philanthropic, FSDA and more. Our goal is to incorporate a new product or technique in creating these. But we want you to give them away. We are still tweaking this project.

January meeting created some furniture issues, but we have the room configuration finalized. I am very happy to see our attendance picking up. We will be setting up membership sign-in and Ways & Means baskets in the hallway before coming into the room.

Remember NO MEETING in February. We start painting at 9:30am. I'm looking forward to February's oil pastels.

Board members don't forget our meeting Friday, February 20th at 10.

Keeping my brush wet,
Sherrie

1st VP Programs: Bonnie Phillips

February 21st, 2026- Oil Pastels "The Birds"



The Birds - Oil Pastel—Carolyn Brown

Cost: \$10 includes medium & surface.

Bring: Bring paper towels and gloves if desired. Apron suggested.

I'm looking forward to the February Oil Pastel program in that it's a new medium for me to explore.

There are 19 paid.

If you were unable to register and want to attend contact Bonnie ASAP. It's also important to let me know if you plan to attend and do not plan to do the project.

We are already outgrowing the space and don't want to have to rearrange tables as late-comers arrive.

The meeting STARTS at 9 am.

(My group needs to leave earlier as we were in the room after 9 as it takes a little longer to park, do the elevator and walk down the hall. This gives you time to get settled, purchase tickets, and socialize.)

RAK begins at 9:30. RAK is Random Acts of Kindness. A BIG THANK YOU to Sherrie Colgain for providing the heart RAK in January. This month will be a Shamrock you may paint to keep or give.

In **March** we will paint a couple of eggs with dried flowers as the decoration led by Lee Reynolds and Pam Thomas. Our BIRTHDAY BASH this year will be in April instead of May. The theme is ARTIGRAS (Mardi Gras). This should be FUN so be thinking of your attire. I will teach a theme design on fabric.

One more thing - Please help find a space for us to hold meetings!

Bonnie Phillips

Meeting Minutes: Secretary: Jan Zerbe

President- Sherrie Colgain called the meeting to order at 9:53

Announcements: board meeting – Friday, Feb. 20th at 10am.

Please be sure and sign in at each meeting.

There will NOT be a February meeting.

Our new initiative RAK stands for Random Acts of Kindness and will be presented before each meeting at 9:30.

Secretary- Jan Zerbe- The November minutes are approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer – Suzanne Hope- The Treasurer's report is approved as printed in the newsletter.

1st V P - Bonnie Philips (programs): Carolyn Brown will present an oil pastels project for February and there is a \$10 fee. Please bring paper towels, 8x10 canvas and the demonstrator will bring all other supplies. Consider bringing plastic gloves as well. March is an Easter project. May we will celebrate our birthday with a Arti Gras theme.

Ways & Means – Jean Archer - Baskets are available through ticket purchase.

Philanthropic – Carolyn Zaengle- Carolyn handed out 12 boxes for painting, the boxes are for the Bridging Freedom Organization. Please return the finished boxes at the February program. Ages of the girls are 13-16 years old.

Newsletter & State Fair – Kathy Edwards -please turn in reports by next Saturday. Please sign up to demo at the State Fair, February 4-16. There is a charge for parking this year, approx \$8.

2nd V P– (membership) Sherrie substitute for Carol Adams. There are 3 zoom members, 2 guests and 20 members present. Welcome new member Pam Sprite.

Old Business - No old business

New Business - No new business

Meeting adjourned at 10:15

Respectfully submitted, Jan Zerbe.

2nd VP Membership: Carol Adams

Membership Report- At the January 2026 meeting we had 23 members, 3 on zoom and 2 guests. Please welcome new member Pam Spriet. Add her to your directory:

Pam Spriet

29735 Cassino Ct, Wesley Chapel, FL 33543-2223

Phone number 505-715-2157

Email: Pam.Spriet@comcast.net

Ways & Means: Jean Archer

In January we had three baskets and a framed print for raffle. The one that was won by Connie had a thirty dollar restaurant gift card in it that was donated by Kathy Edwards. Thanks Kathy! Kathy also came to help on the basket making day along with Carol Barker and Connie Martin.

There will be another basket making day on Thursday, February 19, at 10 AM. Lunch at 12 for the February meeting (Anytime we have a gift card, I tuck it in just before the meeting, so no one ever knows which basket it's in.) We made \$65 on our January raffle. Thank you to all who participated. We'll have more baskets in February to raffle but in March, no raffle! We'll have a 50/50 drawing. Come prepared to win some cash!

Pictures from the January meeting are on our Facebook page.



Jenn Davis busted canvas.

Wonderful idea and imagination.

Philanthropic: Carolyn Zaengle/ Jan Zerbe

Just a reminder bring your painted box for the girls to the meeting in February. There is a new group of girls ages 15 to 16 so make them appropriate.

Jean Archer has tickets to the Bridging Freedom High Tea fund raiser, \$30.00 per ticket, Date March 28th. I have been for a few years and I really enjoyed the program they have and the lunch is really nice these tickets go really fast so if you want to go, you need to contact Jean as soon as possible

Please remember your painted boxes for the meeting in February

Sunshine: Ann Roberts / Carolyn Zaengle

February Birthdays

Lori Sindell	5th
Nicki Romberger	7th
Jan Zerbe	11th
Pat Carey	12th
Marita Spank	13th
Lee Reynolds	14th
Debbie Jones	17th
Vicki Fornito	19th
Sherrie Colgain	26th
Toni Hoffer	27th



Birthday cards will be sent to all members on their birthdays. If you know of anyone who is sick, or needs a greeting for whatever the reason, please let me know. 813-363-6784
Ann Roberts

Newsletter Editor; Kathy Edwards
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Treasurer: Bev Frandsen

Florida Suncoast Decorative Artists Treasurer's Report 2025			
Previous Month Check Book Balance	12,474.27		
		2025	Approved
INCOME:	Dec	YTD	Budget
Biennial Fundraiser	25.00	7,170.48	6,000.00
Christmas Party	15.00	405.00	450.00
Membership	60.00	765.00	760.00
Seminars		715.00	1,500.00
Ways & Means	106.00	847.00	800.00
Misc.		340.50	0.00
Total Income	206.00	10,242.98	9,510.00
EXPENSES:			
Biennial Fundraiser		2,462.29	4,000.00
Christmas Party	232.06	288.92	450.00
Corp/Admin	5.00	512.15	550.00
Liability Insurance	395.00	395.00	400.00
Meeting Room Fees	175.00	2,100.00	1,320.00
Membership Appreciation Wkshp		1,135.80	800.00
Newsletter		0.00	20.00
Philanthropic		33.91	100.00
Programs		526.35	800.00
Publicity (Meetup)		178.99	300.00
Seminars		732.04	1,500.00
State Fair		0.00	200.00
Sunshine		78.00	40.00
Ways & Means	25.00	25.00	200.00
Website Renewal		83.40	100.00
Misc.		0.00	0.00
Zoom		159.90	160.00
Total Expenses	832.06	8,711.75	10,940.00
Checkbook Balance	11,848.21	12,474.27	
Petty Cash	4.39		
Money Market	19,574.51		
Total Assets	31,427.11		