



# THE BRUSH WHACKER BEE

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Brush Whackers!!



“Fixin” to get into trouble?” Well maybe not, but I am “Fixin” to have a lot of FUN. Sometimes getting into a little trouble comes with having lots of fun. We expect to have a lot of fun Celebrating America at AGA!! I hope you will be joining us in September.

I have always had fun and enjoyed our Brush Whacker events, but I really started having more fun when I took an active role on the board. 2022 will bring many open board positions. Please consider how you can help and have more fun. Sally Anson has all the information in her article later in this newsletter.

We had a great day at the April paint-in with Janet Mitchell leading us through “Autumn Harvest”. Thank you, Janet, for making what looked like a complicated, piece easy. Everyone did a wonderful job and was very close to finishing. We welcomed two of our new members. It was nice to “meet” you Claudia and Sara. I look forward to meeting our new members and seeing our long-time members in person.

I am currently working with St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center to see when and how we can return to in-person events and what they will look like. I will keep you up to date as I get the information. For now, we are continuing our paint-ins via Zoom.

Our May paint-in is the majestic “Eagle” taught by Donna Carpenter, designed by Nancy McKenny. This is a gorgeous design and Donna says that it is not as challenging as it looks. We will be learning a lot on this piece as well, from painting realistic eyes and feathers to tinting color. Learning new techniques and growing as painters are things that SDBW tries to help you accomplish.

I hope everyone is doing well. This last year has been challenging in so many ways, but we are making it through. Until we can meet in person, let’s continue to stay connected and support one another. May we continue to spread love, kindness, and positivity.

Here’s wishing all of our Mothers a very happy Mother’s Day.

Stay well and happy painting,

Carol

## PROGRAMS

Hello Brush Whackers,

Our May 15th paint in is right around the corner and we still have openings. If you would like to sign up for Eagle being taught by Donna Carpenter the cost is Class Fee: \$25.00 E-Pattern \$3.00 total cost 28.00. The cost of the surface is \$15.00 and available at Donna's shop Art Creations Plus or you could use something you already have the size is 12"x12".

Our June 19th Fall Spool paint-in is being taught by Janet Mitchell designed by Maxine Thomas. The cost is Class Fee: \$25.00. The surface fee is \$7.50 available from Smooth Cut Wood or surface of your choice size is 8"x6".

Our July 17th paint in is Wine is My Magic Potion with Sandy LeFlore teacher/Designer. Class Fee \$25.00 Paper Pattern \$8.50 or E-Pattern \$6.00 (more pictures included) Surface Fee \$10.00 available at [www.cdwood.com](http://www.cdwood.com)

If you have any questions please let me know 619-698-4028

Enjoy all the holidays this month,

Kathy Ruth

## WAYS AND MEANS

I hope everyone is doing well!! The raffle items are dusted and ready for whenever we can be together. There was a raffle at the April Paint-in. The winners of the brushes and micron pen were: Sue Ludlam and Carol Philips. I am so excited that we get to have Autumn Getaway this year!! I hope to see you all in person at Viejas in September.

- Pam

### HOSPITALITY

Painting Friends,

Do you know of a fellow Brush Whacker who would enjoy receiving an encouraging note or a "Thinking of You" card? I'd love to send her one. Please e-mail her name to me at [nedsbnb@cox.net](mailto:nedsbnb@cox.net).

Thank you,

Nedra





*CELEBRATE AMERICA*

*AUTUMN GET-AWAY 2021*

*Registration is now open to non-members.*

*Registrations are coming in daily,*

*If you are planning on attending*

*Sign up soon, spaces are going fast.*

*You don't want to miss out on all the fun!!!*

## **SDBW IS ONLINE: VISIT OUR WEBSITE AND CONNECT WITH US ON FACEBOOK**

Keep up with the latest information on [www.sdbushwhackers.com](http://www.sdbushwhackers.com)

All registration forms are available on our website to print out. See the latest Newsletter and upcoming information on all events. If you have taken any pictures of our events or your paint-in projects, please email them to me for our website Gallery.

Please follow San Diego Brush Whackers on Facebook if you are a Facebook user. We encourage you to share our events but please do not share on other Facebook Groups in their Events Calendar.

If you would like to follow us on Facebook, go to the San Diego Brush Whacker page and click the LIKE button. We post information about paint-ins, seminars, events, etc. on our page. You're able to post on our page too! Please feel free to post your projects or any helpful painting tips. Let's stay connected.

When signing up for a paint-in please include a completed registration form with your check. The paint-in registration form is available in the Newsletter or at [www.sdbushwhackers.com](http://www.sdbushwhackers.com).



- Carol Wolfe

## **CHILDREN'S CHARITY**

Hi there Brush Whacker Friends,

I have plenty of bags that are ready to be painted with your beautiful designs. I can DELIVER! Give me a call 619 917 7177 or email me at [jensbusy@gmail.com](mailto:jensbusy@gmail.com) and we can make those arrangements.

- Jenny Stabile

## **PANTY RAFFLE**

Congratulations Donna Eledge on winning Panty Raffle. Thank you all for donating underwear! Brought in 62 pairs of underwear!! Thank you

This months Panty Raffle was designed and painted by Sandy Le Flore. The Rachael Center is in need of the much needed underwear! Several ways to get the underwear to me. Please call me, we'll work it out.

- Joyce Hatch





## SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS' MAY BIRTHDAYS:

4TH	LISA STRATTON
8TH	REGGIE OSWALD
10TH	BRANDI NEFF
23RD	JOANNE FABIAN
23RD	JAN JOHNSON
23RD	JANET MITCHELL
28TH	LINDA CAMP
28TH	COLLEEN CROWDEN

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Well folks, 2020/2021 have been years like no other...and let's hope not again for a long time! Although the upside could be that we have learned how resilient we all are as a club...and humanity. Our club has pivoted and rolled with the punches as best as any club could and way better than most. Our San Diego Brush Whackers Board is the best... you all know that, right? It's our turn as active members to step up and in to give them all a hand...and a break. Many of these ladies have been in their current positions for a long time. And it's time for others to step up...and in. Positions open for next year will be President, 1st Vice President (programs), 2nd Vice President (membership), Autumn Getaway, Christmas Party, Seminar, and Children's Charity. If our club is anything it is resourceful, helpful, supportive and AWESOME! No one is ever alone in any position. Everyone is here to help in every capacity. So please consider you or someone you know to step up to one of these positions. We are all here to help

each other. All we need is that one person to say YES, I can and I will do it! We need to keep our club going as we have worked long and hard to keep it the best! Just ask anyone :)

If you are interested in any of these positions, or wanting to help on committee, please reach out to me...we can talk.

Sally Anson

619.616.8700

## UPCOMING PAINT-INS

### PAINT-INS ARE CURRENTLY HELD VIA ZOOM

#### HOW TO JOIN ZOOM

If you have never used Zoom, start by going to

<https://zoom.us/support/download>

to download and install the app. There are instructions for PC, tablets/iPad or phone.

Prior to the paint-in you will receive an email from Carol Phillips or Carol Wolfe inviting you to join the meeting. This will have the Meeting ID and password to join the meeting. On the day of the paint-in open the Zoom app, click on "Join Meeting" and enter the Meeting ID and password as prompted.

There should be an option to "Join with video" and "Join with Computer audio". Click those options if prompted.

In most cases there is a direct link to Zoom in the email which will automatically open Zoom for you. Then follow the prompts.

Please install Zoom as soon as possible to avoid any problems during class.

We will be happy to help you if you have any questions or if you would like to do a practice meeting prior to class. Please call Carol Wolfe 619-985-3630 or Carol Phillips 619-466-5954/619-838-5535. For Apple/Mac related questions call Maddie Sanchez 310-259-0522 or Kathy Ruth 619-698-4028.

This You Tube Video is a great Zoom tutorial

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E>

We are really looking forward to this new experience for San Diego Brush Whackers.

Thank you,

Carol Wolfe



**MAY 15 • 10AM - 4PM**

EAGLE

TEACHER: Donna Carpenter

CLASS COST: \$25

E-PATTERN: \$3.00

SURFACE FEE: \$15.00 or surface of your choice 12" x 12"

**REMAINING PAINT-INS FOR THE YEAR**

**Paint In Projects for 2021**



**MAY 15, 2021**

Project: Eagle  
 Teacher: Donna Carpenter  
 Designer: Nancy McKenney  
 Class Fee: \$25.00  
 Pattern: \$5.00  
 EPattern: \$3.00  
 Surface Fee: \$15.00 Surface available or  
 Surface of your choice  
 12" x 12"



**JUNE 19, 2021**

Project: Fall Spool  
 Teacher: Janet Mitchell  
 Designer: Maxine Thomas  
 Class Fee: \$25.00  
 Pattern: No Charge  
 EPattern: No Charge  
 Surface Fee: \$7.50 Surface available from  
 Smooth Cut Wood or Surface of your choice  
 8" x 6"



**JULY 17, 2021**

Project: Wine is My Magic Potion  
 Teacher/Designer: Sandy LeFlore  
 Class Fee: \$25.00  
 Paper Pattern: \$8.50  
 EPattern: \$6.00 (more pictures included)  
 Surface Fee: \$10.00  
 Surface of choice or order  
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**AUGUST 21, 2021**

Project: Four Santa Faces  
 Teacher: Donna Carpenter  
 Designer: Donna Carpenter  
 Class Fee: \$25.00  
 Paper Pattern: \$5.00  
 EPattern: \$3.00  
 Surface Fee: \$15.00 Surface available or  
 Surface of your choice 12" x 12"

**REMAINING PAINT-INS FOR THE YEAR**

# Paint In Projects for 2021

September 15,16 & 17th, 2021  
36th Annual Autumn Get Away  
Viejas Casino & Resort



**OCTOBER 16, 2021**

Project: Primitive Fall  
Teacher: Rayma Stewart  
Designer: Maxine Thomas  
Class Fee: \$25.00  
Pattern Fee: \$10.00(approximate)  
EPattern: Not Available  
Surface Fee: \$10.00 (approximate) "12 x 8"



**NOVEMBER 20, 2021**

Project: Gnome Express  
Teacher: Janet Mitchell  
Designer: Julie Cloud  
Class Fee: \$25.00  
Pattern Fee: No Charge  
EPattern: No Charge  
Surface Fee: Surface of Choice 15"x5 1/2"

Annual Christmas Party  
TBA





# San Diego Brush Whackers Paint-Ins

## Paint-In Information and Policies

- ★ **WHEN:** 3rd Saturday of the month (except Sept. & Dec.) 10am to 4pm
- ★ **WHERE:** Zoom classes will be held until further notice.
  - St. Madeleine Sophie Center 2119 E. Madison Ave. El Cajon, CA 92019-1111
  - I-8 east, exit Greenfield Dr - turn right, turn left E. Madison, center is on your right
- ★ **FOOD:** Potluck luncheon
- ★ **WHO:** Any member in good standing
  - Guests/Non-Members? Welcome to attend. Additional \$5 for class fee required.
- ★ **COST:**
  - Class Fee is \$25 - covers room rent & teacher fee
  - Project Fee - decided by teacher
  - Surface Fee - varies (if applicable)
  - Checks will be cashed AFTER the paint-in
  - **NO REFUNDS** are given for paint-ins
- ★ **SURFACES & PREPARATION:**
  - You may provide your own surface
  - Prep instructions and surface, if applicable, will be available at the paint-in previous to the scheduled class
  - **It is the member's responsibility to pick up prep instructions/surface**
- ★ **BOARD MEETINGS:** Held before Paint Ins - begins at 8:30am - Open to all members

### Paint-In Enrollment

(Please Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ I understand it is my responsibility to pick up prep instructions & surface, if available. I understand no refunds are given for paint-ins.

Project Name:	Class Fee:	
Name:	Project Fee:	
Phone:	Surface Fee:	
Email:	Total Enclosed:	

Make checks payable to "San Diego Brush Whackers" and mail to:  
**Kathy Ruth 8301 June Lake Drive, San Diego, CA 92119**

## **San Diego Brush Whackers Membership**

**Hello Everyone,**

**We are strong 96 Membership!**

**Please welcome our newest members:**

**Lisa Stratton**

**Brandi Neff**

**We would like to welcome back a returning member: Joanne Fabian.**

**The fee for returning 2020 members is \$5.00 for 2021 only.**

**The fee for New Memberships or returning members from previous years that were not members in 2020 is \$15.00. New membership and renewals may be sent to:**

**Kathy Steffel  
10714 Sayers Court  
Santee, CA 92071**

**See enclosed membership form or the San Diego Brush Whackers website.**

**Please make checks payable to:  
SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS**

**Please feel free to contact me:  
619-323-3021  
kjsteffel@cox.net**





# **San Diego Brush Whackers**

## **2021 Annual Membership Form**

Find us at: [www.sdbrushwhackers.com](http://www.sdbrushwhackers.com)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (optional) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_ Ck#\_\_\_\_  
month day

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of contact \_\_\_\_\_

**All newsletters will be emailed to members.**

**We will print your name, address, phone #, e-mail and birthday in our membership roster unless you circle information that you DO NOT want printed in the roster.**

Type of membership:

New \_\_\_\_ Renew \_\_\_\_ WITH SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS.

Level of painting: Beginning \_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_

Please check all that apply: Student \_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_

Please fill out our Membership form completely.

**Annual San Diego Brush Whacker membership dues for returning 2020 SDBW Members are \$5.00**

**Annual San Diego Brush Whacker membership dues for non-2020 SDBW Members are \$15.00**

**It is NO longer a requirement to be a member of SDP in order to join San Diego Brush Whackers.**

Please make checks payable to: **San Diego Brush Whackers**

Mail check to our Membership Chairperson:

Kathy Steffel  
10714 Sayers Court  
Santee, CA 92071-5002

Questions: [kjsteffel@cox.net](mailto:kjsteffel@cox.net) or 619-328-3021

## Good News!! The Panty Raffle is back!!

We have resumed the monthly panty raffle to support The Rachel Center. This will take place during the paint-ins. The board feels it is important to continue to support our charities despite COVID19, plus we want to have some sense of normalcy with our activities. With your help we are going to do our best. We have a years' worth of wonderful prizes just waiting for one of you to win.

*Please see the Panty Raffle article for prize details.*

How is this going to work without meeting in person?

- ❖ Please send Joyce Hatch your donation.
  - There are three way to donate and **we encourage you to do one of the first two options.**
    1. Purchase panties on Amazon and have them delivered as a gift to Joyce at the address below. (This way no one needs to leave their home and she will know who they are from. You can also include a gift receipt or send her an email).
    2. Porch drop-off at Joyce's home. Be sure to put your name on your donation and text Joyce at the number below when you plan to drop off.
    3. Monetary donation (\$2 per ticket) sent to Joyce. Joyce will purchase panties. Please make your check out to Joyce Hatch.
- ❖ Joyce will fill out your raffle tickets. 1 ticket per pair of panties or 1 ticket per \$2.00
- ❖ The drawing will take place virtually during the paint-in
- ❖ The deadline for donations is one week prior to the paint-in.
- ❖ All members may participate in the panty raffle each month.

If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Hatch.

619-240-4662

3021 Feiler Pl.

San Diego, CA 92123-3219

joycepaints@gmail.com

We are very excited to have the panty raffle up and running again.

Stay Safe and Health,  
Joyce

## **SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS, Inc.**

**Board Meeting Minutes** for, February 13, 2021 Via Zoom

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President, Carol Phillips at 9:06 AM.

**PRESENT:** Carol Phillips, Kathy Ruth, Kathy Steffel, Pam Lieberknecht, Nedra Hatherill, Joyce Hatch, Carol Wolfe, Sheri Barker, Cecelia Denton, Jenny Stabile, Rayma Stewart, Sue Ludlam Penny Hobbs, Andrea Toth.

**Absent:** Sally Anson, Maddie Sanchez, Debbie Patenaude, Ann Passanisi.

**MINUTES:** Motion to approve minutes from January 9, 2021 as presented, by Penny Hobbs, seconded by Sheri Barker and passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Sue Ludlam - Reported balance of \$21,482.25 as of 2-13-2021, motion to approve Treasurer's Report from as corrected by, Jenny stabile, seconded by Rayma Stewart and passed.

End of year Report and current Budget presented to Maddie for the newsletter.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** We received a letter thanking us for the Donation to Rachel's Center for 2020.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** Schedule Audit for early March, ask Donna Eledge or Roxanne Walker to assist. Emailed St Madeleine's regarding our return. No response yet.

### **REPORTS:**

**Programs:** Kathy Ruth & Ann Passanisi: 7 signed up for Lady Long Legs for February. Next program after seminar

Autumn Harvest with Janet Mitchell. 2 Lisbeth Stull Patterns for Raffle.

**Membership:** Kathy Steffel: 76 members includes 12 new members, 19 have not renewed (sent email reminder).

**Newsletter Editor:** Maddie Sanchez: Newsletter articles due by 23rd of the month.

**Web / Facebook Editor:** Carol Wolfe: Lots of hits and likes. Close Registration for Seminar.

**Ways & Means:** Pam Lieberknecht - Lots of Raffle Prizes stored and ready for when we have in person paint-ins.

**Hospitality:** Nedra Hatherill - Sending cards as needed. Theresa Kiy passed away; she was a former member.

**Charities/Panty Raffle:** Joyce Hatch - We have 53 pairs of underwear for the \$50 Gift Certificate donated by Kathy Ruth for the February Paint-in.

Painted Clip Board with stand and paint from Kathy Ruth for the April Paint-in.

**Seminars 2020:** Penny Hobbs/Nedra Hatherill: Should have the packets by Thursday. AGA committee will fill paint cubbies & stuff Goodie Bags on the 19th.

## **SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS, Inc.**

**San Diego County Fair:** Sheri Barker, Andrea Toth: Cancelled

**Historian:** Sally Anson -Taking Pictures and asking for pictures to post.

**Holiday Party:** Debbie Patenaude- “No Place like Gnomes” Postponed, Bali Hai will credit deposit to 2021.

**Autumn Getaway:** Cecelia Denton/Rayma Stewart- “Celebrate America” Postponed to 2021

**Children’s Charities:** Jenny Stabile - Bags are available to paint. Collected 11 painted bags, Thank You, still looking for a Charity to donate them too.

**SMSC Liaison:** Cecelia Denton - No report

**Closing Statements:**

**Next Board Meeting:** December 5, 2020 at 9:30 AM.

**Motion to adjourn made by:** Nedra Hatherill, seconded by Rayma Stewart. Meeting adjourned at 11:36

Respectfully submitted by:  
Cecelia Denton.

## **PICTURES FROM THE APRIL PAINT-IN**

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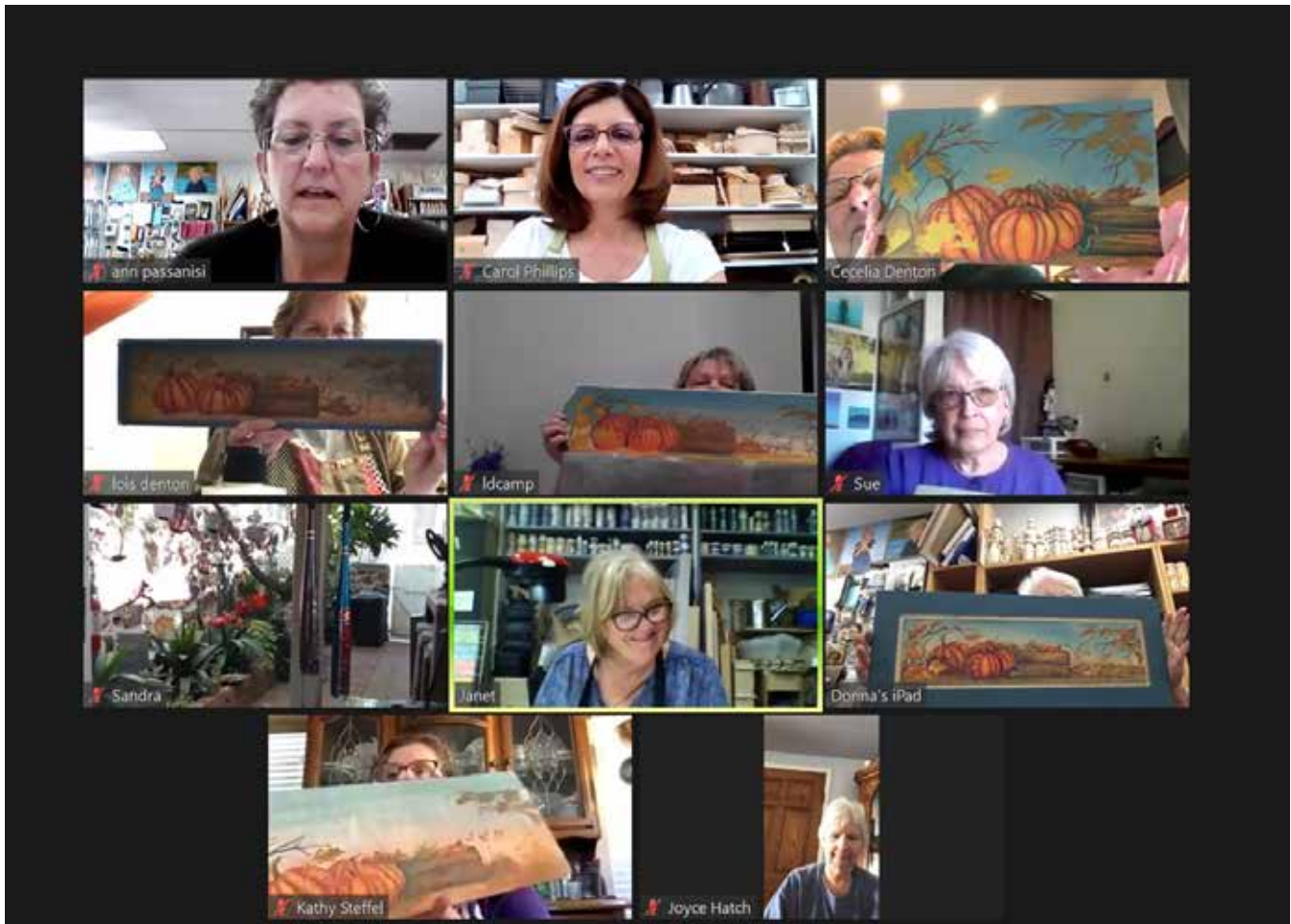


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**A HAPPY SMILE FROM JANET AS STUDENTS SHOW OFF THEIR  
PIECES!**

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE - SALLY ANSON

Hey folks, what cha' been doin'? Painting? Creating? We want to see it! Please share your photos of what's on your painting table or what you've completed. We've all had a bit of extra time to get those UFO's done...right? Just send me your photos via e-mail and we'll get them into the newsletter. We all like to see what each other is up to.

Okay, I'll go first this time.....



Craft show Prep!





Carol Phillips finished her Lady Long Legs piece!



Cecelia Denton finished her Maxine Thomas Five Season Tray

### SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKER 2021 BOARD

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