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THE BRUSH WHACKER BEE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a fabulous time we had at the "Sisterhood of the Traveling Brushes"!! It was great to see old friends and meet some new friends. The teachers and projects were all amazing. Our raffle earned over $4000!! Thank you to all of the generous donations for the raffle and thank you to all of you who bought tickets. We need a chair person for our Autumn Get Away for 2027. We don't want to loose this event.

Coming up in October is Rayma teaching an Erika Joanne piece. These pieces with paint and pencil always seem relaxing to me. Andrea has packets so it is not too late to sign up.

Then in November Ann is teaching the snowman on a screen, however, you can paint it on anything. You will need to order your own pattern from Holly Hanley. It is a digital pattern that you download. You can find it on Holly Hanley's web site. Ann's piece was by the voting pictures, so you might have seen it. It is really adorable.

To end the year, Heidi and her crew are working on the Christmas party. Sign up soon to be included in this event. The club picks up most of the cost as a thank you to all our members. The party is at the beautiful Bali Hai right on the water. We need someone to chair this event in 2027. Please consider gathering your friends and hosting this event.

Please look through the entire newsletter. There is lots of information about all the things that are happening.

Thank you,
Pam

PROGRAMS

Hello Painters!

Welcome to a very hot Fall! I hope you are all finding cool places to enjoy your days.

Another wonderful AGA has once again been held. I am sorry I didn't get to attend this year, but I have heard it was once again a big success! Is it too early to look forward to next years AGA?

We have a great fraktur project being taught by Rayma in October. We have some ladies signed up, but a couple of spaces left. Please let us know as soon as possible if you want to sign up.

We have voted for next year's programs. I am happy to let you all know that the following will be set for our paint on schedule. Hoppy Spring, Christmas Cookies, Snow Holiday, Pedestal Pals, Happy Halloween, Jingle Bells, Peppermint Santa, Seaside Petals, Rejoice, and Spiders Pass. We will have a good variety of projects to paint and a new teacher to learn from. I hope you all will sign up for our paint ins!

See you all soon at the paint ins and Christmas Party.

Kind regards,

Nancy Wilson

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Andrea Toth, 619-920-2897, andra120@aol.com



OCTOBER 17

Project: Fraktur of Autumn
Teacher: Rayma Stewart via Zoom
Designer: Erika JoAnne
Class Fee: $25.00 / Non-Member: $30.00
Packet/Supplies Fee: $10.00
Surface Fee: Included in supply fee
Medium: Jo Sonja's acrylics and colored pencils
Skill Level: All levels
Special supplies: Pencil sharpener



NOVEMBER 21

Project: Welcome Winter Friends
Teacher: Ann Passanisi
Designer: Holly Hanley
Class Fee: $25.00 / Non-Member: $30.00
Packet/Supplies Fee: $10.00
Surface Fee: Splatter Screen 11.5" diameter or surface of your choice
Medium: Acrylics
Skill Level: Intermediate



SIGNING UP FOR CLASS JUST GOT EASIER!

PAYPAL ACCEPTED FOR ALL CLASS SIGN-UPS

San Diego Brush Whacker Paint In's

Paint In Information and Policies

- ★ **WHEN:** 3rd Saturday of the month (except Sept. & Dec.) 9am to 3pm
- ★ **WHERE:** 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:** Bring your own lunch . Coffee and tea will be provided
- ★ **WHO:** Any member in good standing
  - Guests/Non-Members - Welcome to attend paint-ins for an additional $5.00 per class
- ★ **COST:**
  - Member Class Fee is $25/Non-Member Fee is $30 - covers room rent & teacher fee
  - Project Fee - decided by teacher
  - Surface Fee - varies (if applicable)
  - Checks will be cashed AFTER the paint-in, **when paying for multiple classes please provide a separate check for each class.**
  - ***NO REFUNDS*** are given for paint-ins
  - **SURFACES** 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***
  - ***Unless specified, Zoom is available for every class***

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. ZOOM ? Yes No	
Project Name: Member Fee and/or Non-Member Fee:	
Name: Packet/Supplies Fee:	
Phone: Surface Fee:	
Email: Total Enclosed	
Make checks payable to "**San Diego Brush Whackers**" and mail to: Nancy Wilson, 1525 Fargo Ave, El Cajon CA 92019	PAYPAL OPTION AVAILABLE NOW

Questions/Concerns: Contact Nancy Wilson at nwilson35@cox.net and Andrea Toth at andra120@aol.com

PANTY RAFFLE SUPPORTS WOMEN IN NEED



Hi everyone,

I hope you all enjoyed the AGA event, and I am already looking forward to our gathering next year.

Please note that this month's donation for the Panty Raffle is being provided by Pam. We encourage everyone to bring new underwear to support the Rachel Center.

Best regards,

Joyce Hatch

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

Stay informed by visiting our website at https://www.sdbrushwhackers.com/. Each month, the latest newsletter is available along with all necessary forms for the year, including membership and Christmas party documents. All forms can be printed directly from the site easily. Additionally, class information and sign-up forms are provided alongside images of painting classes. This ensures ease in keeping up with events. We encourage you to explore all links to understand what we offer. Please visit soon.

Sincerely,

Carol Wolfe



NOMINATION COMMITTEE

We need ya, ladies! Current board will stay on for now. We NEED others to step up and keep club fresh. Otherwise.....



2027 San Diego Brush Whackers ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM

……PLEASE PRINT……..

Name_____
Last First

Address_____
Street

_____
City State Zip Code

Phone (____)_____ Birthday (optional) ____/_____
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_____Renewal_____ WITH SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS.

Level of painting: Beginning_____Intermediate_____Advanced_____

Please check all that apply: Student_____Teacher_____Business_____

Thank you for filling out our Membership form clearly and **completely. Keep us informed throughout the year as to any changes.**

Annual San Diego Brush Whacker membership dues for 2027 are $15.00.

Make payments payable to: **San Diego Brush Whackers**

Mail to our Membership Chairperson:
Donna Kidd Eledge
144 Landis Ave
Chula Vista CA 91910

Questions: jdbeldg@yahoo.com or 619-857-8096

Find us at: www.sdbrushwhackers.com

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MEMBERSHIP



I am so pleased to advise that 50 members have already renewed their Brush Whacker memberships for 2027.

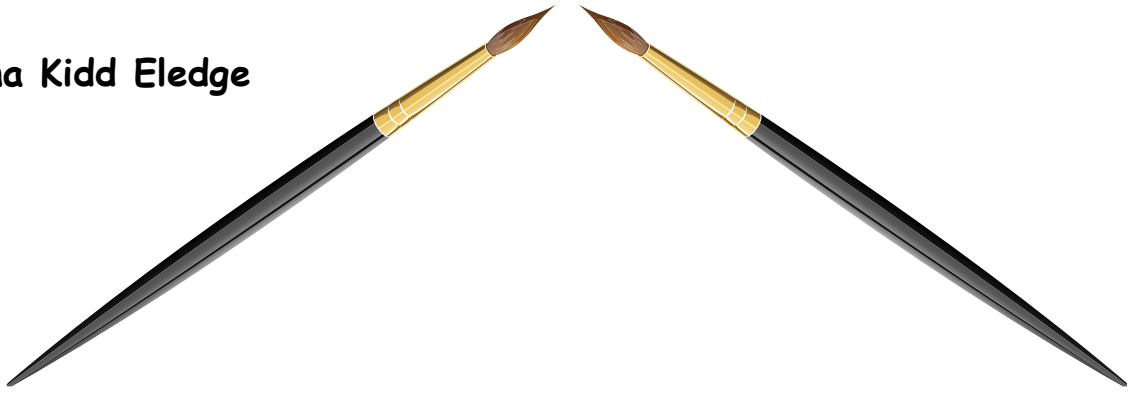
Our 2027 membership form will now be available in our newsletter and on our website at www.sdbrushwhackers.com.

You can send membership applications and renewals to Donna Kidd Eledge, 144 Landis Ave, Chula Vista, CA 91910. Thank you for completing the form clearly and in full, even if no information has changed, and include your payment of $15.00. Make checks payable to

SAN DIEGO BRUSH WHACKERS

Please help us keep your membership information current and up to date. **If you have any changes, questions, or comments, please contact me at 619-857-8096 or jdbeldg@yahoo.com.**

Thank you. Donna Kidd Eledge



WAYS AND MEANS

I have a very special raffle for October. There will be fall items and a few Halloween items. Our monthly raffle helps us to pay for our painting venue. Thank you for your support.

- Pam

CHILDREN'S CHARITY

Thank you, thank you, Brush Whackers for your amazing painted bags for the Monarch School. 44 bags were turned in at Autumn Get Away. I have another 39 I've collected since the May delivery of 52 and will be taking them next week, for a total of 83 this fall. All names since June were put into a special raffle from me. We did forget to draw it Thursday night, so we did it Friday morning. Penny Hobbs was the winner. HOWEVER, she felt a guilty winning as she only had one bag, and graciously gave it to Jan McCracken. Turns out Jan has turned in 13 bags since June so she is quite the winner. Congratulations Jan. She is showing off the apron that I made , along with a small sipper bag and an artists canvas.

Contract me anytime for bags, pick up or delivery.

Jenny Stabile. 619 917 7177. or jensbusy@gmail.com





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 charlotte.a.hicks23@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Charlotte



Happy Birthday Brushwhackers



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

2ND	SUSAN PHILLIPS	18TH	JOLENE COOLEY
4TH	CAROL PHILLIPS	20TH	BARBARA TRENT
8TH	KATHERINE HELLESEN	21ST	LAURIE BOSCH
9TH	ELAINE CENDALI	23RD	CHARLOTTE HICKS
9TH	JOYCE HATCH	27TH	SHERI BARKER
9TH	ANNIE GRIMSHAW	27TH	DONNA CARPENTER
13TH	DEBI BYRD	28TH	MARY MONTOYA
13TH	PATRICIA PEPIN	31ST	CECELIA DENTON
13TH	JENNY STABILE		



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

5TH	CHARLENE BUTLER	20TH	KATHI HILL
12TH	DEBORAH MATHEWS	20TH	DIANE JENSEN
14TH	MARION BARNETT	22ND	JAN MCCRACKEN
17TH	PATTY NEWELL	23RD	WANDA SAPP
18TH	CHRISTINE TAYLOR-LEONARD	26TH	SALLY ANSON
		27TH	JUDY KOVI
18TH	DOROTHY PERKIO	27TH	ESTHER CARRION

AUTUMN GET AWAY UPDATE

What a gathering we had at the Sisterhood of the Traveling Paint Brushes Autumn Get-Away! Great to see all our 'once a year' and 'not often enough' sisters. So much to be grateful for and appreciative of in our group of like-minded souls😘
Raffle was the bomb...$4000+! Wow, you all outdid yourselves with the donated items available.
From the Table Decor to the teachers and classes available and to all the hugs and catching up and EVERYONE who had a part in bringing this together...THANK YOU!
It was great fun conducting the AGA symphony of awesome ladies.



FACEBOOK

Hi Painting Friends,

Do you know we have a Facebook page? Upcoming classes are listed to keep you informed. The more communication we have, hopefully the more you will get involved. The newsletter is great but you can't talk back. So lets hear back from you. Comment when you see a post. Ask questions. Share tips and helpful classes or other websites. I post as myself and also as Brushwhackers if I use the admin tab. I would love to see your projects as well. So let's get involved and share our art, club and friendships on Facebook.

Jenny Stabile. 619 917 7177. jensbusy@gmail.com

San Diego Brush Whackers
presents...

A Candyland Christmas

Monday December 7, 2026
at 6:00 PM

Located at the beautiful
Bali Hai Restaurant overlooking the San Diego Bay.
2230 Shelter Island Drive San Diego.

Please join us for an unforgetable evening of good times, great food and more importantly, time with friends celebrating the season.

Please consider donating an item to the raffle.

As usual, part of the proceeds will go to Rachel Center.

Our gift to you as a thank you for your support, a $76 value for $25 per member, or $56 for non-members.

Reserve your spot!

Sign up by October 10, 2026 and receive 10 bonus raffle tickets.

All registrations must be received by November 20, 2026

Member's Name _____ $25

Non-member's name _____ $56

Phone _____ Email _____

Please seat me with _____

Please make your check payable to
San Diego Brush Whackers (Not SDBW)
Mail to Heidi Allison
11580 Green Ln. Oak Glen, CA 92399
Or request to be invoiced by PayPal

Questions? Call or text Heidi at (909)583-3169
or email at periwoods@aol.com

PICTURES FROM AUTUMN GET AWAY
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PAINT BRUSHES

Something something







Painted Bags for Children's Charity

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Wonderful teachers





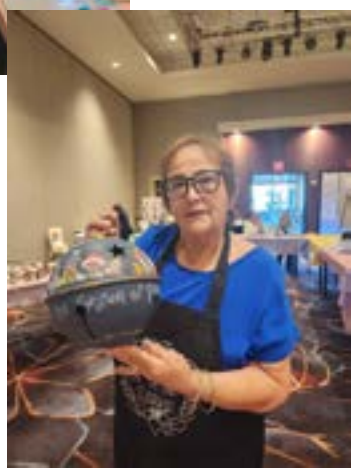














PICTURES FROM AUTUMN GET AWAY
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PAINT BRUSHES





Happy Students























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SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PAINT BRUSHES



Beautiful Center Pieces



















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