

IDAL Heartland Chapter meeting (unapproved)

Meeting opened 7:40pm

Attendance: Patricia Stein, Paula Clayton, Nancy Schnell, Terry Daye, Melissa Loutos, Ann Killilea

Notes from previous meeting circulated, Motioned: Melissa, seconded: Anne.

decide on a charitable donation

- Ann: Has been checking out Ronald McDonald, Hope - not really happening
- Nancy will check with Make a Wish
- Melissa: check for helping a family thru her ID
- Patricia read off guidelines for philanthropic project
- Nancy/Anne/Patricia: working offsite = good, possibly art supplies for hospital
- Generally: we're running out of time here: get some projects together & we'll go first come first served, if we have more then great we'll have things lined up for next year.

Upcoming

- IDAL Convention, right into GF Flippin' Expo at Loews O'Hare
 - Art Fusion: Kathy Boyd - mid October, lots of cool stuff
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Next meeting: November, Wednesday 9th @ CIFF 6:30pm

After-meeting class: Sharing what we learned at General Finishes Expo & Art Fusion

Also: Paula to check with Debby & with Kathy, could we have Debby do a small class on alcohol ink painting for the next meeting?

Terry motioned for meeting to be adjourned, Nancy seconded

Patricia adjourned meeting at 8:27pm

Our After-Class Thrills:

Patricia Stein & Her Chemical Kit... finding out what you're dealing with.

So you have a surface, you're not sure what is on it, though. Eeek! Here's how you figure it out so you know what your preparation steps / options should be:

Chemical testing for pre-finished wood furniture:



Step one: test for wax Scrape surface with fingernail - if it leaves a mark, it is waxed and either must be removed, or new finish must be wax based.



Step two: test for oil based paint. Apply linseed oil on cotton swab (any vegetable oil will do). If it absorbs, it is oil. If it beads, it is either lacquer, shellac, varnish or polyurethane.



Step three: test for lacquer / shellac / poly. Apply acetone on cotton swab and rub on finish. If it dissolves completely it is lacquer. If it becomes tacky it is shellac or varnish (it evaporate & becomes sticky like a posterity note). If it beads it is polyurethane (little bubbles).



Step four: test for shellac / varnish. Apply denatured alcohol on cotton swab and rub on finish. If it dissolves completely, it is shellac. If it dissolves slowly, it is varnish (strip, or abrade & shellac to switch).



But wait... there's more...

Kitchen Cabinet Gunk Removal: Magic recipe from Ann's sister...

1 part vegetable oil

2 parts baking soda

Mix together with a spoon to make a paste then "go crazy" are the instructions. Use hands, cloth or sponge to apply.