

## **Southern Stars**Laughlin Retreat

## "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" August 17 & 18, 2013



Southern Stars, hosted a retreat in Laughlin, Nevada. This was our 18th year to host this event. We had a great time with 48 folks attending and of those 18 were there for the first time. The education was great featuring:

Helen Castaneda with a fun project. A baseball bank in which she showed us how to antique using EZ Strokes, Glaze with Clear Satin and the finish off with adding detail to the piece using concepts and French Dimension.





The our next presenter was Linda Davis with a Halloween Project. This project was completed on a square lunch plate. Linda gave us a choice of a witch, haunted house or cat. The fun part was the border where we used eyelash yarn and Concepts.

Our next presenter was Kathy Denham. We walked us through building a snowman from clay, and we had some very creative folks. The Kathy had already make snowman and had them fired so she could talk us through how she decorate each one. And let me say we had all kinds of Snow people. This project featured Acrylics and non fired Snow.





The we were all please that Dru Woodward how came all the way from Florida to teach us how to decorate a picture frame, she had several examples and folks had the opportunity to copy one she had or to create their own....I my say most folks did their own think. This project featured Concepts.



Class Room



Center Pieces



Lunch

Three of our attendees just completed their Duncan Certification Classes and soon will be members of IADCCT and Desert Spice Coyotes Chapter. Deanna, Lauri and Jenna welcome.



Gerry was our only male attendee and the ladies called ourselves, "Gerry's Harem". He loved it!!!!!!!



That concluded our Saturday education. But that was not the end of the day, everyone was to come back at 7:00 p.m. for our "World Series at the River". Folks were divided into 4 teams, 2 from the East Coast and 2 form the West Coast.

East Coast: The Flamingos vs. Gators Winner for the East Coast was the Gators

West Coast: The Stars vs. Palm Trees Winner for the West Coast was the Stars

On to the World Series.... And the winner the East Coast. Congrats to you all.







was the "Gators" from

MVP's for the event was Gail and Rose Ann, in the picture was also our umpires Arlene and Greg.

What a great night lots of fun, laughter and friendship.



Off to bed we when to get ready for our Sunday Education Event..... Arlene taught on Sunday, her project featured the new Duncan Artisan Glazes. We did a blended background, the add art deco birds on top using Concepts and then we finished the piece off by sgraffitoing the detail.

Arlene did such a great job as our event coordinator, we decided to let her do It again next year.....and guess what she has already picked the theme and the dates so mark your calendars.