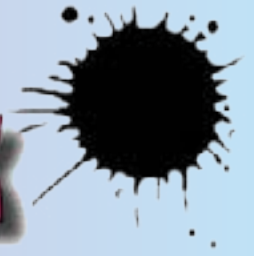


# Sooner Scribes Drops of Ink



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Sooner Scribes Calligraphy Guild of Oklahoma City, OK

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Sooner Scribes is a lettering arts guild founded in 1980 whose purpose is to promote the study and critical practice of calligraphy as an art form. We seek to encourage individual excellence and to help foster a wider appreciation and deeper understanding of calligraphy. We are committed to teaching the history and application of calligraphy by interchanging ideas through workshops, monthly newsletters and monthly meetings.

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Annual dues: \$30

Monthly meeting dates are listed in the newsletter Events Calendar. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36<sup>th</sup> Street, Oklahoma City, OK, unless otherwise specified.



Example of brush script taken from *The Speedball Textbook*, 23rd Edition, pages 52 and 53.

## February Program

**Date:** February 23, 2015

**Time:** 6:30-7pm social time  
 7pm Program

**Place:** Will Rogers Garden Center  
 3400 NW 36th St., OKC

### Pointed Brush: Alphabet & Applications

Pat Lynn Moses will present info on this fun way to express yourself, using handouts from studies with Barbara Close and Eliza Schulte Holliday in workshops they presented in the past for our Sooner Scribes. PLM does not present herself as an expert, but confesses to using this technique to dazzle friends who receive an envelope decorated with their name in this 'fancy script' and think that she really knows how to do calligraphy!

The pointed brush is a wonderfully expressive tool - for handwriting, for lettering, and even for illustration/painting. It is also one that is familiar to most of us, and very easily obtainable as a felt tip pointed brush pen. Our hands-on program will give everyone an opportunity to work on finding pressure control

with a flexible tip brush pen, working toward a writing that comes from the combination of personal rhythm and the confidence of working with an easy tool. Come along and join in the fun!

Please bring the following if you have them, or come prepared to beg from your neighbor who has some!

1. Pointed Brush Marker in black, and just a few colors - there are many brands of brush marker pens that mimic a paintbrush in marker form ... Marvy LePlumme, Zig Brushables, Faber-Castel Pitt Pens, Micron Pigma Brush Pens ... available from local stores (arts & crafts or office supply) in sets or individually. They have nylon or polyester tips

and carry their own ink supply - just be sure to bring those with a 'bullet' shape, rather than the broad edged 'calligraphy' pen. The Pentel Color Brush is an actual brush, with its own ink supply, and you can bring along any of those you might have, too.

2. Lined Practice Paper - bring several sheets; copy paper is fine; you can draw a few lines if your bring a ruler, and a pencil.
3. A Few Envelopes - any color, any size
4. Black fine-line marker - or a black ball point pen ... this is just for some decorative touches.
5. Optional - a few colors of colored markers, gel pens, sparkly pens - again, just for some decorative touches - and plm will have a few to try out.

If you want to look at a book, here a few:

*Brush Lettering: An Instructional Manual in Western Brush Calligraphy*, by Marilyn Reaves & Eliza Schulte

*The Art of Whimsical Lettering*, by Joanne Sharpe

*The Speedball Textbook: A Comprehensive Guide To Pen And Brush Lettering*, edited by Joanne Fink & Judy Kastin

There are also tutorials on the web, and most books on calligraphy will have a chapter on using a brush pen for lettering, along with some alphabets for the same.

## Annual Membership Dues

If you have not paid your annual membership dues [due in January of each year] for \$30, please fill out the form you received in the mail and make your check out to Sooner Scribes, then mail it to:

Sooner Scribes

P.O. Box 188

Oklahoma City, OK 73101

OR You can bring it to the February meeting on February 23, 2015 at Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th Street, Oklahoma City. Be sure and bring the membership form filled out with your contact information so we can include you in the 2015 membership directory.

## News

Our Christmas Card Exchange and potluck party was a terrific success. There was good food, good conversations and great cards to share. Below are some of the photos from the party.

Recipes for Deborah's yummy snacks and Carol's Chicken Corn Chowder are on page 4.



Carol and Penni selecting from potluck dishes



Deborah holding her sweet and savory snacks. Recipe on page 4



Wendy's cleaning up in the kitchen again!



from left: Carol and Pat Lynn



from left: Deborah and Phylis



from left: Margee, Phylis, Betty and Penni



Some of the lovely cards exchanged at our January meeting! Good Job Scribes!

## St. John's Bible - Mabee-Grerrer Museum

The complete set of seven volumes was on display at St. Gregory's Mabee-Grerrer Museum until January 18, 2015. Several of our members took advantage of this breathtaking exhibit.

If you did not, don't despair. Volume 6, (Gospels and Acts), is still on display and will remain at Mabee-Grerrer until October, 2015. Please don't miss this remarkable exhibit of world famous, Donald Jackson's calligraphic artistry.

A page from the St. John's Bible showing some of the artistry and calligraphy which is sprinkled lavishly throughout each volume.



## New Slate of Officers elected at January meeting

The new slate of officers are: President, **Carol Manning**, President-Elect, **Robin Mead**, Secretary, **Betty Harmon**, Workshop Chair, **Bobby Doscher**, and Treasurer, **Wendy Fox**. Thank you for helping make Sooner Scribes Calligraphy Guild active, fun and enjoyable through 2015!

## Recipes from the January Potluck

All the food items brought were great, but these two were special hits.

### Addictive Snack (can't eat just one) Brought by Deborah Kilgore

Melt a bag of white almond bark and mix with a bag of Chester's ButterPuffs (from Crest Foods). Toss to coat. Turn out onto wax paper to cool. For a holiday touch, add red & green sprinkles to the almond bark. Can also drizzle with dark almond bark. Amazingly scrumptious. Thank you, Deborah, for bringing these little jewels!

### Chicken Corn Chowder Made by Carol Manning

- 2 C. chopped cooked chicken
- 10  $\frac{3}{4}$  oz. can of cream of potato soup, undiluted
- 10  $\frac{3}{4}$  oz. can of cream of chicken soup, undiluted
- 11 oz. can Mexican-style corn, undrained
- 1 – 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. can of sliced mushrooms, undrained
- 4 oz. can of chopped green chilies, undrained
- 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  C. milk or half and half
- 1 C. chicken broth
- $\frac{1}{3}$  C. sliced green onions (green parts too)
- 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  C. shredded cheddar cheese
- sliced green onions to garnish

Combine everything but the cheese into a dutch oven and stir well. Cook over medium heat 5 to 8 minutes or until heated. Remove from heat and add cheese. Stir until cheese is melted. Garnish with green onions if desired. Just the perfect dish to serve your family or guests on a chilly winter's night!



## Sooner Scribes Events Calendar

Date	Event Description	Location
Feb. 23	Pointed Brush: Alphabet & Applications by Pat Lynn Moses	Will Rogers Garden Center
Mar. 23	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
Apr. 27	TBA	Will Rogers Garden Center
May 18*	Spring Fling Potluck Party	TBA

\*May meeting is on the **THIRD** Monday to avoid coinciding with Memorial Day holiday



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*Happy Valentine's Day, Scribes!*