



The Raindrop Patter

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A Wonderful time was had by all. Marie you did a wonderful job on all our meal planning. The weekend was excellent with Becky Friday night, Karen Hubbard Saturday, Bingo, Banana Splits and Betty Jean winning the Christmas tree. Sunday we created bags. Thank you Malinda for going after more. No one wanted to leave. And how can I forget our sweet mascot Honey. Ladies it was wonderful to see relaxation and so much fun.



Congratulations to Betty Jean Kendall and Marie Morris winners of the retreat door prizes, the Ornament tree and Maxine Thomas original stair basket.

Article and photos submitted by Georgia Magarell

More about the retreat can be found on page 12.



From the Chapter President

Raindrop Members,

I really would like to say SPRING is in the air and I can feel it, but hearing the rain and wind outside my window, I'm not so sure. I am hoping that spring gets here soon, because my list of outside things to do, is long, but those things will have to wait for another time when the puddles disappear and the sun comes out.

Right now I would like to talk about retreat, we all had a nice time and really enjoyed ourselves. We had fun painting with Becky and Karen. We had some free time to visit, relax and take a trip into Canby for a little shopping. We enjoyed the food and the staff was very friendly and helpful. Sunday, we decorated canvas bags and had a great time. We laughed, shared stories and it was just as fun as all of the past retreats I have attended.

I know the turnout was low this year, I'm thinking maybe half as many attended.

I hope we can make whatever changes it will require so we can have more members attend next year. For those of you who did not attend please share with the next retreat committee what changes would need to take place for you to attend.

I would like to say "Thank You" to Sharron for sharing her wonderful talent with us after the February meeting. The paint-in was a lot of fun and the project was so nice. I'm sure I heard someone said, wouldn't it be nice if she did another bird that we can do later on and have a set to hang; I agree.

I hope you all will be staying after the June meeting to help paint the table decorations for the convention dinner. Many hands will make fast work of a large project. Maybe that would be a good time to have a potluck.

We have lots to do this year and I hope we all can pitch in and help.

Here's to a good year with much fun and laughter all around.

Dinky



Paint a Season of Memories

Raindrop Chapter
Convention

September 13-17, 2017
Holiday Inn— Portland Airport

Featuring: 6 pre-convention
classes/teachers &
68 convention classes
taught by 35 teachers.

Registration begins March 11th

Check out the
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Then visit the
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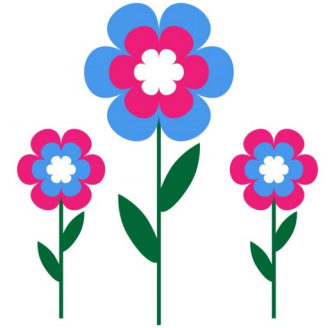
When your ready to register!

Show your chapter spirit, register early
and volunteer to help!

A Message from the Vice President

Good Day All,

Well, here it is halfway through February already. Am I the only one who thinks this year is zooming by? It seems like only yesterday, we were at Christmas. Oh well, time does march on. And the flowers are starting up already. At least mine are.



I was unable to attend this years Retreat, but I was told that everyone had a grand old time and that their projects were fun and easy to do. This years Retreat was not attended by a lot of people, so I am hoping that this is not going to be a trend and that we can get everyone more involved like in the past. I know that not everyone can afford to attend but maybe you all could let us know what you would like to do in the future, whether it be a retreat or something else. I know that I, personally, would love to attend again. I had a blast at all of the ones that I have attended and I think everyone else did too. Just something for all of us to think about.



Are you getting excited about the upcoming convention? I know I am. It is really going to be a lot of work but I know from the past, that there are many members out there that wants to help. So, **if any of you have any ideas on something that you would like to do to help, we sure would appreciate it.** There are so many jobs out there and I am sure, there is one suited for each of you. And, for any that do volunteer, just know that we appreciate and welcome your help. Also, please don't forget about helping with the table decorations for the convention in June. This will also be a meeting/paint-in and we will kill two birds with one stone per say. We need a lot of help and all will be appreciated. I know Bobbie will accept any and all help with them and it should be lots of fun. I, personally, want to thank each of you for voting to do this and for helping. You are all wonderful!!

I have arranged with one of our members, **Linda Finnacle**, to teach us a wonderful project in April. It is adorable!! And it doesn't look really hard either. And it will be a meeting/paint-in and the cost is only \$3 dollars. The pattern and paint colors are in this newsletter with the pictures of it. And it can be painted on whatever you like. I am really excited to get started on it!!! Too much fun!! And you all know me? Fun is turning into my middle name. I think that if I am not careful, it might be my first name...hahaha!!



I hope this covers everything. If it doesn't, please feel free to remind, ask, tell, or whatever me, and I will try to figure things out. I just know this is going to be the greatest year ever. And I hope you are all ready to have as much fun as me.

See you all soon, Peggy

Paint-in with Linda Finnacle

For our post April Meeting Paint-in we are grateful to offer this darling Dogwood project from Linda Finnacle!

You may paint these darling Dogwood flowers on any project you would like. The cost for the pattern packet is \$3.

To confirm your participation please contact Peggy Smith either by phone (503-829-9688 or 503-705-0674) or email (mps222@molalla.net) this will reserve your place and ensure we have enough packets for everyone.

Thanks!



DOGWOOD INN
Linda Finnacle 2017



COLOR LIST: Americana

Black Plum
Buttermilk
Hauser Green Light
Evergreen
Lemonade
Soft Heather
Cashmire

French Mauve
Mauve
Carousel Pink
White
Raw Sienna
Burnt Umber
Moon Yellow

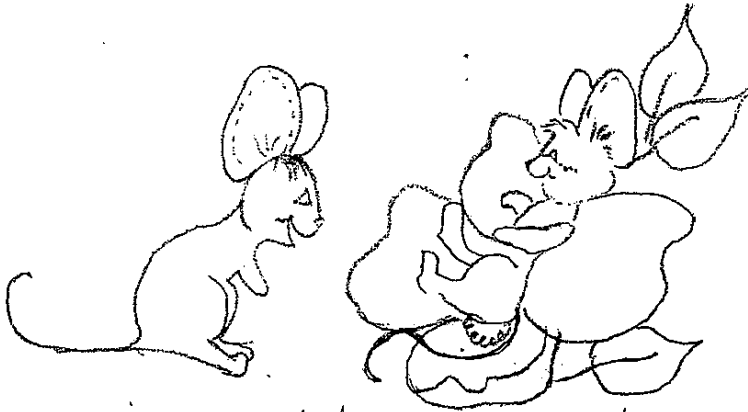
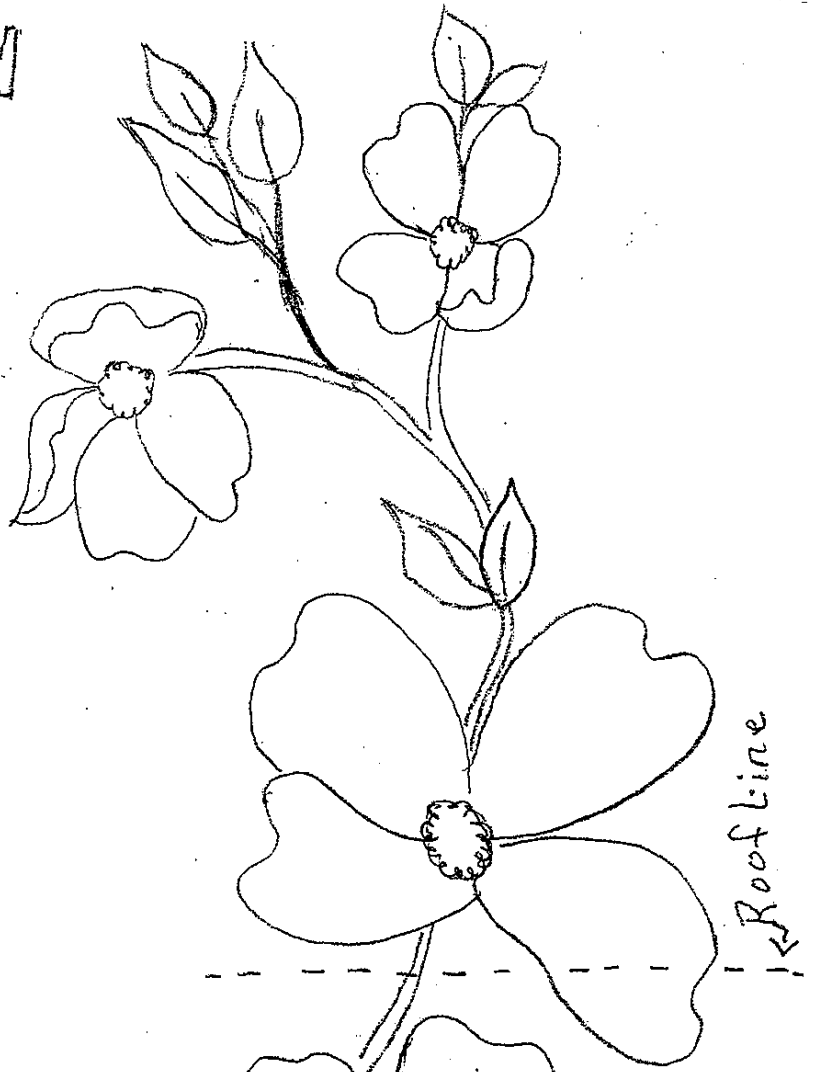
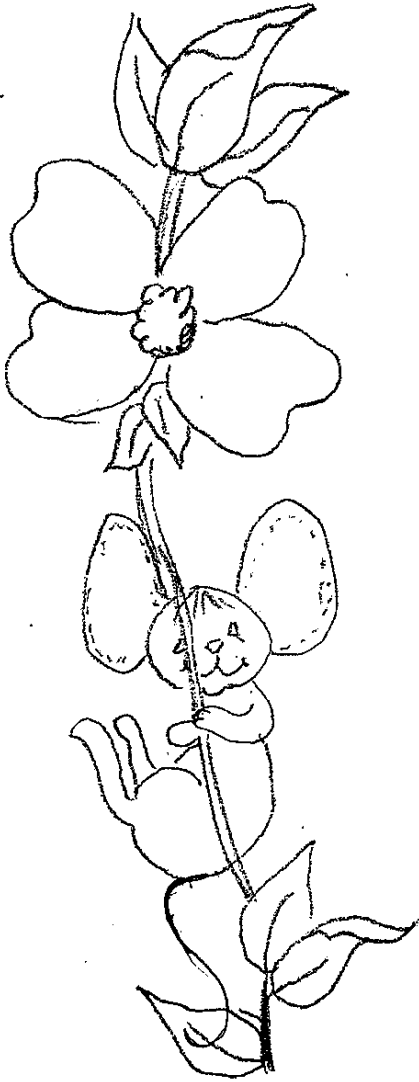


Birdhouse is from Craft Warehouse; it is about 9" tall and each side of roof is 6". Sand, seal, sand, seal. I usually mix sealer into the basecoat for the second coat of sealer; first basecoat.

Base the roof with Black Plum –2 coats. Base the body of the birdhouse with Buttermilk 2 coats. Sanding lightly between coats. Apply pattern.

This design could be put on a box that is about 5 or 6 inches tall. The flower and mouse on front of the birdhouse would have to be curved to fit.

DOGWOOD INN



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from Sue Scheewe Brown
2019

Linda Finde

Raindrop Meeting 02/17

February 4, 2017

ATTENDEES - 30

Bd Members Present

Peggy Smith, Carol Thumberg, Dinky Davis, Lisa Ludwig, Sally Jacklin, Emma Bleitch

New Member Al McFarland and 2 guests- Total Membership 86

AGENDA

Last Meeting Follow-up

1. Meeting minutes for Dec Approved Motion by Betty Jean and 2nded by Debbie Gil.
2. By law changes -
 - a. Eliminate the advisor position Art.5 Section 1 - moved by Lisa, seconded by Bobbie Redington - passed
 - b. Article 6 Eliminate reference to Advisor in the Sergeant-at-Arms section.
 - c. Article 9 Addition of Meeting attendance to - Board Members and Committee chairmen must attend 4 of the 6 meetings and provide a rep for the other 2 meetings - Sally motioned to let original stand - 2nd by Georgia passed - no change.
 - d. Article 8 - Change - executive meeting shall be held 2 weeks before regular meeting - to Up to 2 weeks before the regular chapter meeting. Lisa so moved, 2nd by Jen - passed.
 - e. Article 9 Ways and Means - eliminate - Advisor and ways and means becomes responsible for sales of raffle- Motion by Marie, 2nd by
 - f. Debbie - passed
 - g. Article 9 - Newsletter/webmaster - separating to 2 positions and duties - Motion Jen, 2nd by Marie - approved
 - h. Article 9- Retreat Committee - remove advisor from co-chair Moved by Betty Jean, 2nd by Linda Borland - approved.
 - i. Georgia pointed out a typo in #5 need to remove advisor - she will write up a proposal for this change.

New Business

- ◇ March 18th - Maxine Thomas will be here for a painting session - not actually a raindrop event - Cost \$28.00 - Judy Zogg has surfaces for sale but any surface you choose will be fine.
- ◇ Sharon Shared that Linda Sharp reminded us that we can send absentee ballots for national offices
- ◇ Website store is ready for convention - sales will start March 11th books should arrive by mail soon.

NOTES

- ◇ Dinky reported that the website has been converted so that the webmaster can make changes. Cost for posting service is \$12.00 per month
- ◇ ○ Discussion held with Monica and Dinky regarding webmaster dismissal. Discussion tabled to next bd meeting. Everyone is invited to attend Board meetings. They will be held once per month following Convention Meetings. Next one to be help Feb 22nd 6pm at McMenamin's in Wilsonville.
- ◇ ○ Pam trying to understand change and cost of upkeep.
- ◇ Peggy reported that convention table decorations will have handpainted gifts for each table - requested permission to make these at the June Paint in - motion by Judy Meirow and seconded by Marie, Passed.
- ◇ Judy Zogg will be providing some donations for the chapter booth as well as others - these donations do not have to be theme oriented.

Raindrop Chapter Meeting Minutes, *Continued...*

- ◇ Emma reported that as of Feb 4th, we have in the convention checking acct - \$ 28,034.14. Key bank checking \$ 8,532.54 and Savings \$30,389.16.
- ◇ Budget correction was discussed to increase Web site budget from \$600.00 to \$1100.00 as per previous approval Moved by Jen, Sharon 2nd - approved.
- ◇ Charities 19 memory boxes and approx 10 treasure boxes received.
- ◇ Women's shelter was very pleased with the Christmas stockings, gloves, socks, mittens and hand sanitizer. Paper towels and Toilet paper are always needed. Please continue to donate.
- ◇ Checks for DAC, Women's Shelter and SDP for \$200 each will be made out. Motion made by Betty Jean and 2nd by Marie.
- ◇ Solomeja reported that Maureen Baker will be here on June 24 and 25th and will paint 2 projects. The total cost for 2 days will be \$70.00 Christmas Bells can be painted on any surface, but Judy Zogg has sleds that will work for \$18.00, the Iris can also be painted on any surface. Patterns will be available at the April Meeting.
- ◇ Marie gave out retreat packets and stated that there is room for more attendees.
- ◇ Sunshine cards have been sent out - to Nancy Hughes for eye injury, Anna Wong Sympathy card, Nat McBride Sympathy and Mary Scott for surgery along with Birthday Cards.
- ◇ Jen stated that raffle items will be given out at April Meeting
- ◇ Ways and Means had no report, but had received donations of painting surfaces recently.
- ◇ Lisa Ludwig would like to add a painting project to each newsletter, so if you are a teacher, she would like submissions. She would also like to include pictures of projects you have completed. Perhaps those attending Las Vegas would share some of what they learned. She will also include a calendar of events including bd. Meetings. Remember deadline is 15th of the month. Email newsletter should arrive on the 1st with snail mail arriving about the 15th.

ACTION ITEMS

Look at ways to connect people who need roommates for the convention.

Georgia to write proposed by law change for Article 6 #5.

Meeting adjourned 10:55 am.

We have to say goodbye to another one of our fabulous teachers in our area.

June Houck has lost her battle with cancer. She was an amazing person! A very talented, sweet and very generous teacher both with her knowledge and supplies to all she met. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

I would like to take a moment and remind all of us how wonderful it is to be a part of the Raindrop Chapter. We all have such a great opportunity to share our passion of painting with each other thanks to this organization. I personally would not have had the joy to meet most of you had I not joined and supported this inspirational group. Sometimes we need to look at what we have and embrace it with kindness and positive energy. June's passing makes us realize that we have to appreciate everybody for who they are and be kind to one another. *Submitted by Debbie Gill*

Convention Meeting January 25, 2017 Minutes

Meeting held at McMenamín's in Wilsonville. Meeting was called to order at 6pm

Attending were: Jen Kersten., Bobbie Redington, Carol Thumberg, Charmaine Bannister, Peggy Smith, Terry Manton, Judy Meirow, Emma Bieich, Sally Jacklin, Mary Klein, Betty Jean Kendall, Debbie Gill, Dinky Davis, Lana Knoll

Terry Banton questioned whether we need the hotel to provide audio visual equipment for teachers. We will continue as in the past that teachers will need to provide their own equipment and extension cords (they can contact the hotel and rent at their expense if necessary). Exception - Raindrop Chapter members can use the chapter's equipment - they need to request this prior to convention and will need to do their own set up. Remember there is only 1 projector - so largest classes will get priority.

Dinky Davis - Online store is being set up for registration and class sign ups. They are awaiting the laptop from Georgia to finalize. On line registration starts March 11th. Decision that teachers will be paid at the end of convention unless teacher is leaving prior to the last day. They need to make their request know ahead of time. Charmaine will let Emma know who needs checks early.

Emma - bills for Convention can just be sent or given to Emma to be paid from account. You do not need a reimbursement form unless you paid for these from your own account.

Per Charmaine - we will be offering 2 hour specials - possibly 4 on the trade floor. The teacher will collect their own fee at the time of event.

Emma - would like to know ahead how much cash she needs to have on hand for Art Show prizes and will provide \$125 cash for chapter booth change. She will also need to provide cash for refunds for cancelled classes ect. Method of refund was discussed.

Emma expressed concern over possible problems with PayPal 3% charge - she will check with CPA to find correct wording needed to prevent problems at audit - if necessary we will change info on Registration form on line as printing has been started.

Judy and Debbie = Trade floor vendor booths color scheme will be dark and light blue for table covers etc.

Booth charge to us is \$49 - Peg boards if needed will be \$50.00 and need to be ordered ahead. Freight company has offered 1000 lbs. free towards teacher supplies they will charge after that. We will try to get teachers to order thru Deco Art and have all shipped together to take advantage of this.

Teachers need to fill out form for needed tables and this goes directly to the hotel.

Hotel will provide a locked trade floor and we will ask Lisa Ludwig to provide someone to open and lock the room each day. Lisa will provide secure area for holding personal bags as they will not be allowed on the trade floor. Vendors will be out on Saturday night.

Vendor set up will be Wed 3pm to 9pm and Thursday 7am to 5pm. We will provide coffee and sweets on Thursday. Tear down will be 5pm to 10pm Saturday. Vendors have requested to pay with credit card - we will check on a Vendor only section in the on-line store where Vendors can use pay-pal.

Peggy had no report at this time on Chapter Booth. Suitcases are in process of being painted. They will request items for raffle.

Charmaine reported that Catalog has been sent to printer - we got to see proofs. She ordered 2500 as last time - cost will be \$2461.81 very close to last time. I9s have been sent and teachers have been asked if they want monitors.

Program books will be done by Dinky and helpers. (Jen and Carol if needed)

Books will be sent to nearby chapters - mailed to people on Database - given out at Las Vegas convention and wherever else we can think to distribute.

Lana has placed adds on Tole Painters United Facebook page, also in Decorative Painters and Painting World Magazines.

Terry stated that hotel will provide for purchase a breakfast and lunch and dinner in area outside restaurant - also will be requested to offer tables and chairs on vendor floor for eating. The meals will be offered from 1-½ hours prior to class start to ½ hour after class starts. Terry will request that the hotel offer vendors an opportunity to order meals ahead to be delivered to trade floor.

Bobbie Redington is looking for donation items for table décor - they need to be nautical theme. She may use a Paint in day to help with decorations. She also has a donation of a craft site and will ask for help in putting things together on several days. Each table will be different Donations will be requested from Vendors. We will plan for 8 per table and approx. 35-40 tables.

Meeting adjourned 7:28

Carol Thumberg

Raindrop Chapter

Convention Meeting 2/22/17

02-22-17 at McMenamín's Wilsonville

ATTENDEES

Lana Knoll, Charmaine Bannister, Dinky Davis, Jen Kersten, Peggy Smith, Betty Sue Kendall, Bobbi Redington, Terry Banton, Emma Bleich, Sally Jacklin, Carol Thumberg, Marlene Roth

AGENDA

Called Meeting to order 6:15 pm

Terry Blanton - Hotel Liaison – The hotel will not have water containers available so we will need to find about 40 5 gallon buckets for classrooms. We have a question whether we will need the Deschutes Room for Sunday. Bobbi would like to work with the hotel regarding banquet decorations. The food has not been chosen yet.

Dinky - Registration - the store is up and ready for Registration to start on March 11 at 8am.

Emma - Emma will send copies of last convention information regarding registration and pay pal. Gave copies of 19's to Charmaine, Receipt from Monarch for brunch was turned in. If checks are sent in for registration, we need to remind person that checks may be held for some time prior to cashing. If getting credit card info over the phone please get the 3 digit code from back of card.

Judy and Debbie had no report as they are on their way to Las Vegas. They will be handing out brochures.

Jen and Peggy - Chapter Booth - Bobbie Brauer has offered her help and is getting donations for raffle. They will contact Jean Montgomery. Discussion on having info for becoming Raindrop member.

They will talk to Debbie and Judy regarding "Cake Walk" - do we or don't we. Possibly a passport type drawing where person gets passport and has to have vendors stamp prior to entering into drawing.

Charmaine - Catalogs have been sent out to all prior attendees, members and 24 chapters. She is still waiting for addresses for 26 chapters to mail. Lara will help with this.

Discussed how to get information for walk in's - possibly a coupon so they would give address for a drawing?

Discussion on 2 hour classes - originally, we thought that the teachers would collect and keep any money from these classes. However, we would make no money on these, it was decided that they would need to have an additional amount - possibly \$2 - for each attendee, then this would be paid into the treasury and the teacher would get the rest of the money paid at the end of their time at the convention.

For the wine and paint evening - we will give out coupons for wine or sparkling cider as non-alcoholic option. Program book will be done by Dinky, Jen and Mary Klien.

Lana has been sending out info to chapters- Discussion on flyers announcing Trade Floor availability sent to schools or local wine and paint classes. Also, Flyers for 2 hour special classes and 1 day registration.

Table decoration - members are requested to attend the June Paint in where some of the decor will be painted or assembled. Also, each member is asked to paint a small item to go at each place setting. These could be seashells, 3x3 canvas, or??? Anything nautical. There will be info in the newsletter.

Discussion on Book Room - decided that we would have a used book room to be open only 2 hours on Saturday after the Banquet.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 pm

NEXT Meeting 3/22/17 McMenamín's in Wilsonville 6:00 p.m.

Would you like to advertise in our newsletter?

Full Page \$25 Members/\$50 Non; 1/2 Page \$15 Members/\$30 Non; 1/4 Page \$8 Members/\$16 Non

Discount available for year-long advertisements contact [Lisa Ludwig](#) for rates.

The following is a change to our By-Laws that will be reviewed and voted upon at our April Meeting. Please review this change submitted by [Georgia Magarrell](#) in advance of that meeting.

At our last meeting it was noted that there was a sentence left out in our last By-Laws revision that was not noticed until now.

AS IT READS NOW as revised 10/02/2016

ARTICLE VI: Duties of the Officers

The President...

The Vice-President...

The Secretary...

The Treasurer...

Sergeant-at-Arms to settle any questions concerning procedure and order which might arise at Chapter meetings. The Advisor will be responsible for the sale of the raffle tickets for the Vice-President / President Elect fund raiser. The Advisor shall serve as a Retreat Co-Chair and fill in for any of the Executive Board members in their absence during a meeting.

The Appointive Officers...

THE ORIGINAL PARAGRAPH CONCERNING PAST PRESIDENT / ADVISOR

The immediate Past-President will serve as Advisor to the President and act as Parliamentarian and Sergeant-at-Arms to settle any questions concerning procedure and order which might arise at Chapter meetings. The Advisor will be responsible for the sale of the raffle tickets for the Vice-President / President Elect fund raiser. The Advisor shall serve as a Retreat Co-Chair and fill in for any of the Executive Board members in their absence during a meeting.

The Past-Presidents role was voted to be changed at the last meeting. The paragraph below allows for that change and re-inserts the missing sentence.

The immediate Past-President will serve as Advisor to the President and act as Parliamentarian and Sergeant-at-Arms to settle any questions concerning procedure and order which might arise at Chapter meetings. Ways and Means will be responsible for the sale of the raffle tickets for the Vice-President / President Elect fund raiser. The Advisor shall fill in for any of the Executive Board members in their absence during a meeting.



Images from
our
February
4th
Meeting!





**Raindrop Seminar:
Maureen Baker guest
teacher**

Saturday, June 24th, Sled

Wood is available from Smooth Cut
Wood for \$18. Or bring surface of
your choice

Sunday June 25th, Iris on canvas

12 X 16. You supply the canvas

Union Hall 9:00 AM- 4:30 PM

Fee: \$ 70 includes both days

Call Salomeja at 503-313-1772 or
scullytown@aol.com for questions.

Pot-luck lunch both days.

Come join the fun with Maureen and
painting friends.

Retreat 2017 wrap-up

2017 Retreat at Canby Grove Center was an enjoyable experience. The food was great and the weather was nice to us. The staff were easy to work with and ensured we had no problems.

We played some interesting games and painters Bingo and banana split party which was a hoot. Speaking of hoot the Owl class went great with Karen and Becky's picture frame Friday was fun. Our Tote bag class was amazing with all the wonderful designs everyone came up with. Start thinking now regrading next year's Retreat. I suggest we plan it a little later i.e. March or April so more members and quests are able to attend.

Marie B. Morris, 2017 Retreat Chairman



Pumpkin Ridge Original designs for sale!

While 80% of my treasures from my books and packets are now gone, I would love to find homes for a few more. Email yvonne@pumpkinridgedesign.com for a current list of available pieces complete with prices. Titles and location of projects in books/packets as well as size information is also available in response to interested parties!



Own a Yvonne Kresal
Original Project



Own a Yvonne Kresal
Original Project



*Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you
happy birthday dear painting friends, happy
birthday to you.*



MARCH

6th Terrie Prestrud
7th Mary Rankin
15th Gayle Oram
18th Cathy Schmidt
24th Judy Zogg
25th Bobbie Baugher
29th Lisa Ludwig
31st Georgia Magarrell

April

20th Rosey Johnson
21st Marian VanDomelen
25th Jeanine Maurer
28th Stan Brown

Oops... please make corrections in your directory.

Mary Rankin
916 NE 8th Ave.
Battle Ground, WA 98604
Mary.ran360@gmail.com

- Lisa Ludwig's street name is Tumbleweed
- Please correct Peggy Millea (not Miller)
- Also, change in teachers by city and state
- Georgia's email: georrog@aol.com

Please contact me if you have any other corrections
[Charmaine Bannister](#)

**Membership Count as of February meeting "87" !!!
5 NEW Members, 5 RETURNING NEW Members
and 10 Business Members.**

We would like to thank our 10 returning business members, your support of this chapter is very important. Thank you so much.

Joy's Publication

Deadpainter Designs

Pumpkin Ridge Design

Country Primitives

Come Paint With Me

Smooth Cut Wood

Scheewe Publications, Inc.

Art's Desire

Camelot Art Studios

Gayle's Art Enterprises



Attention all painters, please consider submitting for the 2018 calendar front page. All designs accepted. Send them to blsitw@ccqmail.net. Thank you.



THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL THE BOXES
THAT WERE DONATED TO THE
SHRINNERS CHILDRENS HOSPITALS
THEY LOVE THEM!!
THEY ARE SO APPRECIATED
Thanks again, Georgia

- 📧 Do you wish to recognize someone or give them a thank you?
- 📧 Maybe you need a room mate for convention—like Melinda Dixon of Antelope does?
- 📧 How about needing to hitch a ride to a meeting or an event?
- 📧 What if you can't find any Blue Haze by DecoArt Paint?

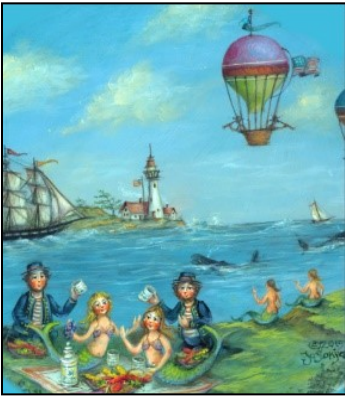
Well, be sure to send those messages and queries to your newsletter editor before the deadline!
Lisa Ludwig at Deadpainter@comcast.net

A Big—**THANK YOU**—to the three teachers who have stepped forward to submit a “gift project” to our newsletter for our membership I’m not going to spoil the surprise by telling you who they are, but I did want to say **I still need 1 more** for the year! So if you would like to donate a pattern you designed to be printed in the newsletter for our members to paint please let me know. Lisa

Editor’s Notes:

As I assume the mantle of newsletter editor I’ve made some minor adjustments. Some you will notice, some you may not. I wanted to let you know what those changes were, and if I’m doing something that the membership would prefer I not, you can let me know.

1. **Affiliation Statement:** a couple years ago we modified the name of our chapter to Raindrop Chapter of Portland Oregon. I have updated our affiliation statement to be in line with this change.
2. **Volume/Issue:** According to the binder I received the Volume number represents the number of years our chapter has been established. This our 39th year and the issue is the number newsletter this year, this is my first but the second newsletter for the year.
3. **Click the link:** When you see a phrase underlined in blue that is often a link that you can click that will take you somewhere. I will make sure that if you are directed in an article, ad or website that you will be able to click a link and be taken there from within our newsletter! *(FYI: clicking the back button on the website should take you back to our newsletter)*
4. **Submitted by:** When possible I will list the person or persons who have submitted information to me for inclusion in the newsletter, giving credit where credit is due and a contact point for more information. If no one is listed you may contact me, Lisa Ludwig at Deadpainter@comcast.net
5. **Calendar:** at the last meeting I promised to post a calendar with all the meetings...well, I’ve started it but I still need help from you to fill in all the events that need to be posted please send me dates and information that should be included! Also, I’m not thrilled with the look so don’t be surprised if it looks different next time.
6. **Your Newsletter:** this is your newsletter so if you would like to see something, please let me know!



RAINDROP MEMBERS – 2017 CONVENTION

DONATIONS AND CREATIVE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BANQUET TABLE DECORATIONS & GIFT BAG FILLER

Decorations will be a **Nautical Theme**. Each table and place setting will be unique.

Most importantly – Hand painted items for each place setting, made by our chapter members! Nautical themed items such as painted shells, wood cutouts, drift wood, small canvas, ornaments, etc. We

need approx. 350 individual items! **See examples pictured for ideas.**

Misc. Donations - Small art supplies for gift bag filler (paint, brushes, graphite pencils, mini canvas, small sponges, etc.) small wood cutouts, **pattern packets*, stencils.



Other items for decorations such as seashells of all sizes, small clean driftwood, pearl beads (loose & string), jute rope/string, sea glass, small bottles, etc. **Artists/teachers willing to create small project, nautical themed, pattern packet. You create, I will make copies!*

I will be happy to pick up your donations either from your home or at an upcoming chapter meeting. I will also be planning a few paint-ins for anyone interested in getting together for fun and creativity.

If you have donations, are interested in providing hand painted items, or simply have questions, please contact me and I'll put you on the communications list! **Bobbie Redington** vinesampler@gmail.com

(360)-606-9600



All Donations are needed by June's chapter meeting please!

Calendar of Upcoming Activities

March, 2017

22nd Convention Meeting at McMenamain's Wilsonville 5:00 for dinner and fellowship, 6:00 for meeting

April, 2017

1st Chapter Meeting—Union Hall, Tualatin, Oregon—doors open at 8:30—Meeting begins at 9:30—Painting project after meeting around 12:00 noon.

15th Newsletter Deadline for publication around 1st of May

May, 2017

Nothing so far!

June, 2017

3rd Chapter Meeting—Union Hall, Tualatin, Oregon—doors open at 8:30—Meeting begins at 9:30—Painting project after meeting around 12:00 noon. We will be painting table decorations for the upcoming convention—for more information contact [Bobbie Redington](#)

24-25 Maureen Baker Seminar there will be one project each day check out previous page of this newsletter or contact [Salomeja Garolis](#) for more information.

July, 2017

Nothing so far!

August, 2017

5th Chapter Meeting—Union Hall, Tualatin, Oregon—doors open at 8:30—Meeting begins at 9:30—Painting project after meeting around 12:00 noon. Project to be determined.

15th Newsletter Deadline for publication around 1st of September

September, 2017

13-17 Paint a season of Memories Convention—Holiday Inn at the Airport.

October, 2017

7th Chapter Meeting—Union Hall, Tualatin, Oregon—doors open at 8:30—Meeting begins at 9:30—Painting project after meeting around 12:00 noon. Project to be determined.

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November, 2017

Nothing so far!

December, 2017

3rd Chapter Christmas Brunch, Meeting & Installation of Officers—Save the date—look for more details coming soon!

15th Newsletter Deadline for publication around 1st of January

January 2018

Nothing so far!

February 2018

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Stroke Work Ornaments

Designed by Lisa Ludwig

Supplies:

3-Round Ornaments (3" circle)

3-1" foam brushes

#2 Stroke Brush or liner

150 grit sandpaper

Palate (paper or plate)

DecoArt – American Paints:

Holly Green

Titanium (Snow) White

Primary Red (Nathol Crimson)

Crystal Ice (Glamour Dust)

Wood Sealer/Matte Finish



Preparing your pieces:

These ornaments are cut by a laser out of Masonite, a type of hardboard made of steam-cooked and pressure-molded wood fibers. Because resins are used in the preparation of this material it does not need to be sealed, but I like to seal it anyway and do so with my first basecoat.

Basecoat each ornament with a mix ½ sealer ½ paint (one Red, one White & one Green), sand lightly between basecoats.

Additional coats should be straight paint; two-three coats for opaque coverage

Basecoating tips:

- Always use a clean brush; if using a foam brush, check for loose foam
- Paint in the direction of the wood grain. If no wood grain visible keep strokes in same direction as much as possible
- Watch out for paint globs especially on the edges, keep it smooth
- Let paint dry completely and lightly sand between coats
- You can keep the sponge brush in a zip-bag to keep moist between coats and to use for touchups
- Don't forget to basecoat the side/edges
- Transfer pattern to ornament using graphite paper and ball point pen

Transfer tips:

- Use tape to hold pattern in place
- Press lightly with ball point pen (or stylus)
- When transferring strokes, draw line through center of stroke for placement.
- A light x works well for dot placement

Stroke Work Tips:

- Always rotate your piece away from your hand so you do not put your hand in the wet paint as you stroke
- So a section or series of strokes and then set piece aside to dry
- Keep Q-tips handy to quickly remove bad strokes – *not that you would have bad strokes!*

Red Ornament with all white strokes

- Dot the center dot first, let dry
- Stroke the teardrops pulling toward the center
- Put Dolly Parton hearts in-between each teardrop
- Pull the teardrop at the top of the heart
- Stroke in the small commas do the bottom one then the top one after the other
- Put in the dots on top of teardrops
- Add Ice Crystal embellishments as desired

Green Ornament with white and red

- Dot the center with Red
- Stroke the teardrops pulling to the center (white)
- Pull large comma strokes toward the center dot
- Pull small strokes above large strokes
- With thinned paint lightly paint in the lines inside the large comma strokes
- Dot at the intersection of the lines with small dip dots
- Add Ice Crystal embellishments as desired

White Ornament with red and green strokes

- Place the center dot and the four smaller green dots in the center
- Below each small green dot pull the red teardrops
- Place the Dolly Parton hearts between the teardrops in red
- Pull the red teardrops above the hearts
- Pull the green trio of comma strokes next to the red teardrop; pull the bottom then the middle then the top
- Pull the double commas next
- The progressive dots in red go on last
- Add Ice Crystal embellishments as desired

Finishing

- Add your name or initials and the date to one side
- Make sure the ornament is completely dry
- Erase graphite lines with an art eraser (white or black) or with liquid graphite remover on a Q-tip
- Lightly brush on matte finish
- Let dry you will want to put on 3 to 4 coats
- Between coats lightly sand with brown paper sack, be sure to remove all dust before applying next coat

Wood source – *tell Don that Lisa Ludwig referred you and tell him Go Ducks!*

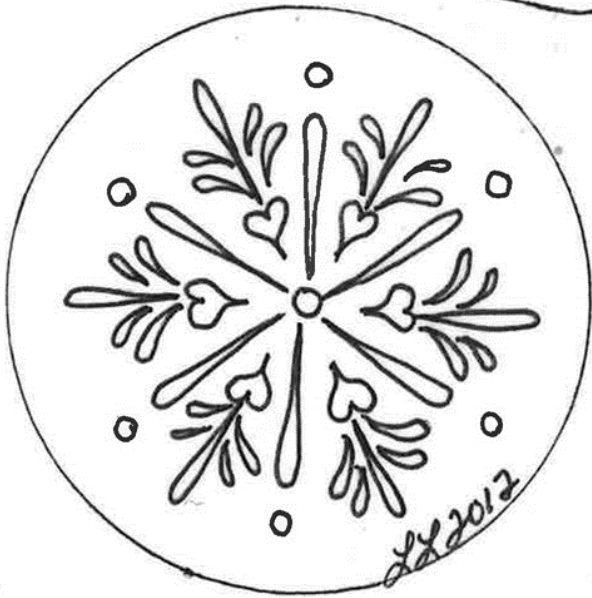
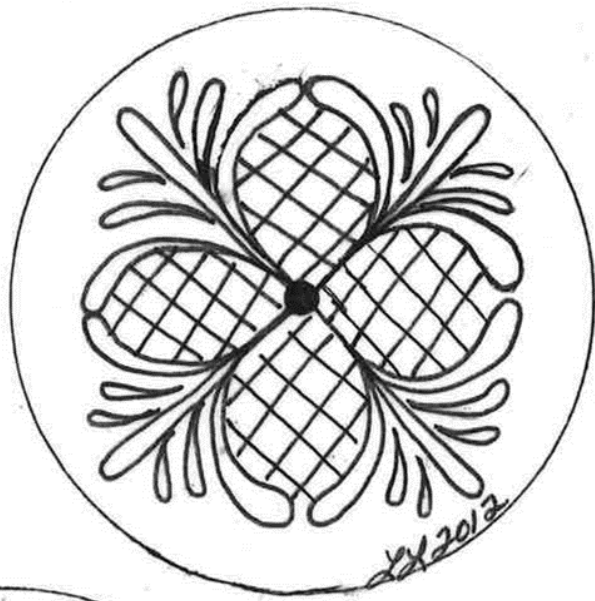
<http://www.valhallalaser.com>

Paint & other supplies can be found at Michael's, Craft Warehouse and Joann's stores or these online stores: <http://www.artistsclub.com> or <http://www.vikingwoodcrafts.com/> or <http://www.hofcraft.com/>

For more information on decorative painting and teachers in the area check out these websites:

Raindrop Chapter of Portland Oregon: <http://www.raindropchapter.org/>

Society of Decorative Painters <http://www.decorativepainters.org/>



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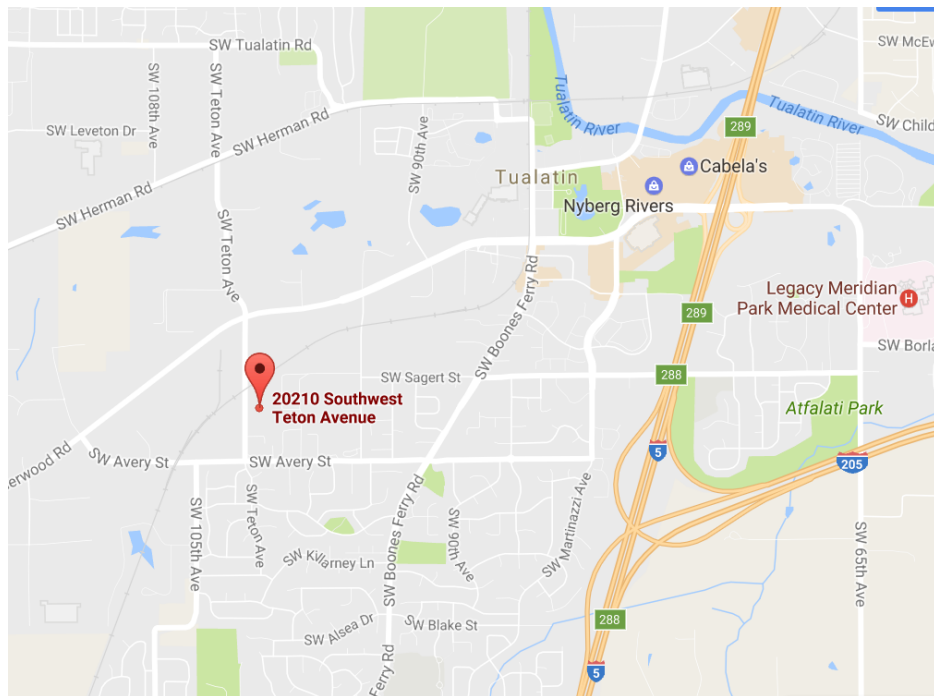
Our meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of the even numbered months at the Union Hall (UA Local 290) **Doors are open at 8:30** and the **meetings start at 9:30**—Bring a sack lunch if you intend to stay and paint after the meeting. For Seminars at the union hall we do pot luck!

Union Hall (UA Local 290)
20210 SW Teton Avenue,
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From Interstate 5 (I-5)

Take exit 289 and go toward Sherwood/Newberg go just over 1 mile then Turn left on Teton Avenue

Just past the railroad tracks, turn left into Local 290's fenced parking lot. (the building will say Local 290 on it).



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