



The Raindrop Patter

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May & June 2012

Rebecca Trimble "Three Balloons"

June 2, 2012



Meeting will be held at: the Milwaukee Lutheran Church

Brown Bag Lunch

Cost: \$4 Make checks payable to:

"Rebecca Trimble"

Send to: Rayma Stewart
16112 SW Bridle Hills Drive
Beaverton, Oregon 97007
503-747-6080

After August 4th Meeting,
Painting with....



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Checks payable to Marian Van Domelen

Mail also to Rayma Stewart

A Few Words From the President...

April showers bring May flowers....
So we all should be seeing lots of color in our gardens about now! Hope that makes you smile along with the wonderful smell of new cut grass. Spring seems to be here at last.

Our Tea Party on June 9th "Raindrops in my tea cup" is moving forward and again I want to thank those who have volunteered their time and talent on the tables and raffle drawings so will mention their names again starting with Mickie Labs who I left out of our last newsletter ! Mickie Labs ~ Nancy Baur ~ Debbie Gill ~ Betty Jean Kendall ~ Linda Finicle ~ Terry Banton ~ Rayma Stewart ~ and myself, Pam Murphy. Lot's of work going into this event so hope to see a lot of you there to share the fun.

It is always strange to have our meetings changed to a different saturday than our normal date ~ so thanks to all who attended on April 21. Becky Albeke did a wonderful & fun after meeting class with the dragon fly design so thank you so much Becky for sharing.

And while I am thanking teachers our retreat classes were fabulous ~ so smiles & hugs to Hanna Long ~ Terry Banton ~ Rayma Stewart. Jeanine Maurer and her crew did a outstanding job in putting this together!! "Hat's off to all of you" and I hope you all will look at the photo's of the creative hats that were worn in great fun. They are on our web page.

I want each of you to know & thank Lupe Vasquez-Lewis and Joan Porter for their hard work in getting our directory completed and updated ~ we have had



several late renewals to membership and they have done a wonderful job ~ with all the effort, updates & recorded backup we will have next year's out much sooner!

Big thanks to all of you for your comments on all our topics at the meeting. To the lovely ladies who have volunteered for the task force on developing our policy for advertising **Thank You** ~ Special mention and thanks to Lisa Ludwig for taking this chair position.

Go forth and enjoy our spring weather - Hope to see you all at the Carla Stark seminar and the June meeting ~ Smiles and paint what you love ~ Pam





Vice-President's Report...

Well? Did you get to go fly that kite last month? No? Me neither – even though I sure wanted to – those March winds were a whole lot of wet! Go figure! Let's only hope those April showers are 'over' so the May flowers can bloom: Daffodils – Iris – Tulips – and many more I can't even name (flower challenged). All those beautiful colors just breathe life into us.

Spring is upon us and that means summer can't be far behind: Time to unfurl the good old red, white and blue for Memorial Day and Flag Day and Independence Day. In the middle of that we have our June 2nd Paint-In when Rebecca Trimble will join us for the first time. Rebecca's works have been featured in the "Decorative Painter" and "PaintWorks". She also travel teaches and has attended many conventions. The project she will be teaching is titled "Three Balloons" and is painted on an 8x10" canvas, although you may choose any surface which means you

can raid your stash. I chose this piece because I think of summer and the hot air balloon festival in Tigard. Hope you can make it.

Since the July 7th Paint-In is in conflict with July 4th Holiday "week", we are rescheduling it for mid-September – no date as yet, but will let you know as soon as we can. It will not interfere with Seattle's Convention which many of you will be attending.

Don't forget that Marian Van Domelen will teach after the General Meeting on August 4: It will be another beautiful stroke work design by Judy Deiphouse. I will have it at the June 2nd Meeting and will take sign-ups then. The cost for this Paint-In is \$4 and the wood tray is an additional \$10.

Just an additional note: I will be attending the SDP Convention mid-May, so if you do not receive your prep instructions right away – just be patient. They will be in the mail ("Three Balloons" only) in plenty of time – by the 25th.

So: Ready. Set. Mark your Calendars. And don't forget to sign up.

See you at the Paint-Ins.

Rayma

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RAINDROP CHAPTER MEETING

April 21, 2012

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m.

President's Report: The Chapter should establish a new advertising policy since we now allow ads in the newsletter, and on our Web site. Questions have arisen from advertisers regarding how long the advertising fees apply to the newsletters and the Web site. At the February meeting a "Community Brushstrokes" table was established for teachers and businesses to announce and display samples for upcoming seminars. This reverses a previous policy that did not allow teachers and businesses to share this information at regular Chapter meetings.

Motion made by Bonnie Rosatti, seconded by Linda Finicle, to form a special committee to research possible changes to our advertising policy in the newsletter and on the Web site; and that we maintain current policy until new policy is adopted. This committee will report its recommendations at the October, 2012 meeting for ratification by the membership. Motion passed.

The following members were assigned to this special committee: Lisa Ludwig, Chair; Bonnie Rosatti; Judy Meirow; Lucy Gertscher; Nancy Baur; Susan Maahs; Lupe Vasquez-Lewis.

Pam Murphy announced that the chapter will conduct a financial audit every year as recommended by SDP. Pam read Article X of the bylaws regarding chapter finances. The President and Vice-President/President-Elect are working on updating the bank signature cards.

Newsletter/Web Site: Dinky Davis suggested we add a bulletin board to our Web site. Nancy Baur announced the new member password for our Web site this year.

Secretary Nancy Baur excused herself from the remainder of the meeting due to a scheduling conflict. Debbie Gill graciously recorded the minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

Vice President's Report: Rayma Stewart presented upcoming seminar projects. She has contacted Rebecca Trimble to teach the June 4 seminar. Jeanine Maurer is unable to teach this seminar due to medical needs. The date of the July seminar with Judy Meirow has been changed to September 15, thus avoiding the Fourth of July Holiday. Rayma reminded the membership about the June 9 Tea.

Secretary: There is an addition to the February minutes. Micki Labs volunteered to host one of the tables at our June 9 Tea, and her theme will be "Secret Garden."

Treasurer: Doris Beck gave her financial report. A balance of \$72,330.69 is held in the chapter and convention accounts. Financial statements are attached to these meeting minutes.

Advisor: Debbie Gill reported on the recent retreat for Jeanine Maurer. It was a huge success. Registration fees and raffle income totaled \$3,641. Expenses totaled \$3,578, allowing a profit of \$63. Next year the retreat will be held at the same facility. We have an option to include Friday evening in our retreat. In that case the retreat will be held Friday, March 22, through Sunday, March 24. Estimated costs for extending the retreat to Friday evening were given.

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Newsletter/Web Site: Lupe Vasquez-Lewis stated that she would bring a computer to the next meeting and walk the membership through Facebook.

Women's Shelter: Cleo Chase reported that we have been supporting the women's shelter well and asked that we bring any necessities to the next meeting. She stated that if you want to make a monetary donation the check should be issued to the Westside Women's Shelter.

Memory Boxes: Judy Elam thanked the chapter for all the boxes brought to this meeting. She stated that Nancy Hughes had donated a painted wooden box from Laura Elligsen. We will sell raffle tickets for the box, with the proceeds used to purchase additional boxes for members to paint for the hospital.

Education: Georgia Magarrell invited members to join the Coast to Cascades Chapter retreat October 13 and 14. The cost is \$235 for two nights, and takes place at Turner, Oregon. Contact Georgia for more details. She reviewed registration for upcoming education seminars with Carla Stark, Bev Birdwell, and Ronnie Bringle. Georgia is recruiting teachers for 2014. She announced that Terry Banton will begin serving as Education Chair in 2013.

Librarian: Georgia Magarrell encouraged the membership to check out instruction packets and return them as soon as possible when they finished using them.

Treasure Boxes: Georgia Magarrell reported that our members have been very generous in donating boxes. Please keep them coming.

Greeter: Marlene Roth reported 43 members and 3 guests were in attendance.

Membership: Joan Porter stated that we now have 123 members, including 8 new members.

Ways and Means: Betty Jean Kendall thanked members for their donations and asked them to please bring in more items.

New Business: Pam Murphy talked about the new "Brush Strokes" area for sharing information on upcoming classes. If members have painting related events, tools or supplies, they can contact the executive board, regarding arrangements for a table at the chapter meeting.

Announcements: Joan Porter reported that the estate donations given to benefit the chapter have earned an income of \$778 so far. She still has paint to sell. Judy Zogg announced that she is having a sale by flyer only at her business, Smooth Cut Wood. You may contact her for a flyer. Charmaine Bannister, a guest of Georgia Magarrell, makes totes and travel bags. She brought them to show and sell at the meeting. Linda Finicle is looking for a roommate for the Seattle convention this year. Rayma Stewart read a letter from Jeanine Varner expressing concerns about privacy issues on Facebook. Lupe Vasquez-Lewis gave information on how to set your privacy settings.

Meeting Adjourned 12:00 p.m.

RAINDROPS IN MY TEACUP TEA & RAFFLE

Saturday, June 9, 2012 1:00 ~ 3:00 pm

Steamfitters Union Hall, 20210 SW Teton Ave, Tualatin, OR Cost: \$12.00 Per Person

Sitting will be at round tables with seating for 8 people

Each table will have a theme and will be decorated with that in mind. There will be a tea mom for each table to do the serving.

Each raffle ticket will be same as always \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Must be present to win.

There will be table favors for each person to go home with and one person at each table will win a hand painted center piece.

Please Note: We'll be using a large room that has a kitchen at one end – not our normal meeting/class room. Members: Please use the coupon below the dotted line to invite friends or family members to our tea and let Rayma know how many you have invited and are paying for or those tickets you (our members) have sold. Checks should be made out to Raindrop Chapter but mailed to:

Rayma Stewart, 16112 SW Bridle Hills Dr., Beaverton, OR 97007

Please join us for:

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Tea Delight - Lovely Lavender Tea – Rustic Delight – Roses & lace –

Alice's Tea Party – Stitch Time Tea – Garden Party Delight -- Secret Garden



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Coast to the Cascades invites you to our ANNUAL RETREAT

October 12th - 14th
Aldersgate, Turner OR

Patti DeRenzo



OLD WORLD STILL LIFE

**2 NIGHTS, 2 DAYS PAINTING, 6 MEALS AND LOADS OF FUN.
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503-975-9447**

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Dear Secret Pal:

Thank you so much the gift received at the February meeting. I love the beautiful box and my special stationery fits so nicely in it.

Joan Porter

Thank you Secret Pal for all your thoughtfulness.

Linda Finicle

Thank you for returning all the painted tags to me for the National Convention party: Terry Banton, Lisa Ludwig, Mickie Labs, Joan Porter, Elaine Beauregard, Georgia Magarrell, Linda Finicle, Becky Albeke, Sue Snethen, Susan Maahs, Cleo Clark, Natalie McBrien, Debbie Gill, Pam Murphy. We had 100% return on all we gave out---**Thanks to each of you, Pam**

Linda
Finicle

**I need a
room mate for
the Seattle
Convention
-Thanks**

Please Note

New email for:

Martha Croysdale

it is:

martha@croysdale.net



Dear Secret Pal,
Thank you for the chocolates and the brush.
Hope you have a wonderful spring.
Dinky

I am so thankful to be a member of the Raindrop Chapter.

I just love spending time with all my painting sisters. We have so many outstanding events coming our way the rest of this year.

Thanks to Rayma Stewart for organizing the wonderful teachers for our paint ins and Georgia Magarrell for the organizing and taking care of our seminar teachers.

And a huge thank you for all involved in our up coming tea and Christmas Brunch.

We have an event happening almost every month and it warms my heart to see each one of your smiling faces at our gatherings.

Thanks for taking this journey with me.

Your Advisor

~Debbie Gill~

May

Sharon Krupicka
BD- May 1

Marie B. Morris
BD- May 4

Beverly Gunderson
BD- May 12

Gina De La Cruz
BD- May 14

Gwen Bennett
BD- May 21

Becky Albeke
BD- May 22

June

SusanMcIntire
BD- June 6

Nancy Hughes
BD- June 15

JoanPorter
BD- June 16

Debbie Gill
BD- June 29

SueSnethen
BD- June 29

SherryMcLain
BD- June 30

Don't Forget to provide a snack or door prize at the June Meeting!

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Education Korner

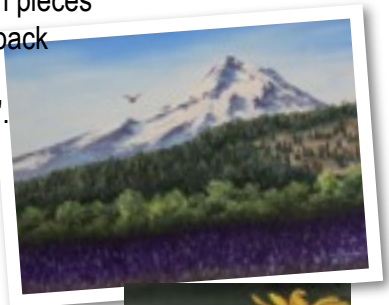
Carla Stark - May 5th and 6th

There is still room for this wonderful seminar. Sign up now - price \$25
This will be Pot-luck so everyone bring food. For two days, bring lots of food.
Seminar is at the Union Hall in Tualatin. Patterns will be at the meeting on the 21st.



BEV BIRDWELL SEMINAR - JULY 21-22

There is still room for this wonderful Seminar. The Sunflowers in Watercolors and the Landscape of Mt. Hood and the Lavender fields in WOILS, which is a wonderful medium to work with. It is Water Soluable Oils...no smell, no allergies...teacher supplies the paints. Both pieces are wonderful. SUPPORT YOUR TEACHERS. Bev is from Vancouver and in our own back yard. You will have a wonderful time as she is a Fantastic teacher!! Sign up at the next meeting....spaces going fast.....Seminar is at the Union Hall and of course "POTLUCK".



BEV BIRDWELL PREP

Prep and Brushes:

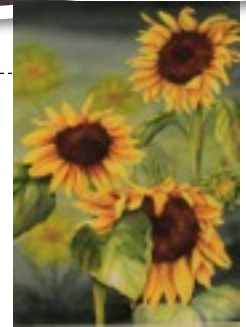
Mt Hood – small, med, large flats, liner. Larger filbert #6 or 8.

Sunflower – small and medium round; ½" angle; 1" flat. Also smaller round brush for
applying masking fluid (not your best brush) and a small bar of soap or some liquid soap.

Use Arches rag cold press watercolor paper. #140 or #300 ¼ sheet (11x15). 140# should be taped to a board of some kind. Optional for the 300#.

Use Saral for the watercolor and regular graphite for the Mt Hood.

And the drawings would be on before they came to class.



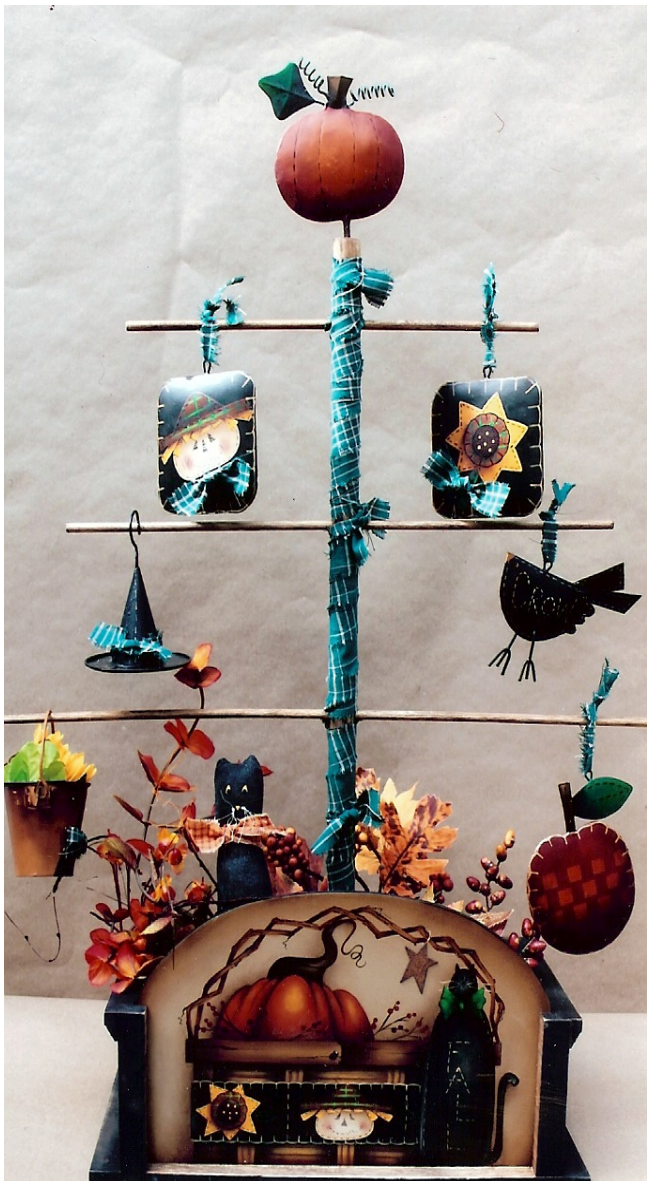
AUGUST 17-18 - RONNIE BRINGLE

IF YOU HAVEN'T SENT ME YOUR MONEY FOR THESE CLASSES, PLEASE DO SO...THERE IS VERY LITTLE ROOM LEFT. BOTH CLASSES WENT FAST. If you have any reservations about the Sunflower being as Bev Birdwell's....DONT. They are so different and done by two different teachers....you will have a wonderful time. Again, POTLUCK....Looking forward to seeing everyone!!



Paid Advertisement

Come paint with Maxine Thomas and Kim Hogue on Sept. 17th. Each will teach for half the day. Judy Meirow will be hosting it at the Union Hall Local 290 20210 SW Teton Ave, Tualatin OR. Call Judy at 503 969 6233. Class will start at 9:00 am. The class fee will be \$50.00 and wood cost is \$40.00. To keep the cost affordable we will be having a potluck of salads and deserts with pulled beef provided. Soft drinks & coffee will be included. Deadline for ordering the wood surface is July 15th. Please come and join us for a fun filled day!



Recipe from Retreat by Request!

Orange Sour Cream Scones

Makes 16

2 c. Unbleached Flour
3 Tb. Sugar
1 Tb. Baking Powder
½ tsp. Baking Soda
½ tsp. Salt
½ c. Unsalted Butter, cubed
1 c. Sour Cream
1 ea. Egg Yolk
¼ tsp. Vanilla
1 ea. Orange Zest

Mix dry ingredients together, cut in butter. In a separate bowl combine wet ingredients. Blend well. Combine with dry ingredients, mix until just coming together in ball. Turn out dough on floured surface, divide in two, make ¼ inch flat disks, slice each disk into 8 wedges, place on parchment-lined sheet pan and bake in a 325 °F oven for 8 – 15 minutes.

Orange Glaze:

½ c. Orange Juice
3 c. Powdered Sugar
¼ c. Walnuts, toasted and chopped

For orange glaze combine sugar, nuts and slowly add juice until desired thickness is achieved. Drizzle over baked scones.

To the Raindrop Retreat "Spring Fling" committee,
Thank you so much for the fun infused event. From the bunny painting classes to the Easter bonnet parade it was a fantastic experience. As a recipient of the door prize as well as the Bingo prize I have to thank you for the quality of the gifts as well as the quantity. Your work and effort to put on an outstanding event is greatly appreciated by this attendee. Job well done!
Sherryl Speck

Just a personal note...

I just want to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers; it's really by the Grace of God that I can move forward.

Please keep my family in your prayers and we try to go on with our lives without our daughter, sister, aunt and cousin.

Lupe



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Wheeled Carrier 19" x 14" x 9.5" \$79
Telescopic handle, storage pockets



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New product - designed so that brushes up to 12" long cannot contact each other or the case

Paint Wagon 10.5" x 4.5" x 3" \$25
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All purpose tote combines handy storage, portability and fun styling in one unique solution

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CJ Associates
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TWO DAY WORKSHOP WITH LUCY GERTSCHER

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
OCTOBER 20 AND 21
9:30 to 4:30

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20210 SW TETON AVE
TUALATIN, ORE

Class fee for 2 days \$50.
wood 19" x 26" \$28.

MAIL FEES FOR CLASS AND/OR WOOD PIECE TO:

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Milwaukie Lutheran Church

310 SE Lake Rd., Portland, OR 97222

- Take Exit 13 off I-205 heading toward Hyw 224 West to Milwaukie
- Take off ramp to Lake Rd./Harmony Rd.
- Turn left at top of ramp onto Lake Rd.
- Turn left onto Boss Lane
- Milwaukie Lutheran Church is on left with large parking lot south of church

Union Hall (UA Local 290)

20210 SW Teton Ave., Tualatin, OR

Directions Going South on I-5

- Take **exit 289** turn right go toward Sherwood / Newberg (1.1 miles)
- 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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