

Raindrop Chapter Meeting

(Raindrop Chapter established May 1978)
Minutes for Raindrop chapter general meeting 8/3/2019

Board members present:

- President: Jerlun (Dinky) Davis
- Co-vice-presidents: Mary Klein & Malinda Fedoris
- Co-treasurers: Robert (Bob) Davis
- Secretary: Salomeja Garolis

Meeting called to order at 09:35. Meeting adjourned 11:15. 31-chapter members present.

President: Jerlun Davis

- Introductions of those present
- Board is clarifying committee roles. Will present completed work at the October chapter meeting.
- Notify if you are planning on giving up your committee chair position. The nominating committee needs to start recruiting.
- Next board meeting is September 22, 2019 at 2PM at the Wilsonville Black Bear Diner.

Vice-Presidents: Mary Klein & Malinda Fedoris

- Malinda asked for 1 additional volunteer to decorate a Christmas brunch table. Volunteers to individually or work with a team to design the December Christmas brunch place setting and centerpiece.
- Clackamas County Fair is 8/17/19. Raindrop members are needed to help the annual birdhouse paint. Bring an apron for your use. Parking pass and fair entry is provided for those who volunteer.
- The fair needs to confirm the carpenters will be there for birdhouse construction. In the event they are not the chapter will have a project. Charmaine suggested a Sign board that could have the child's name and their colors of choice.
- If interested contact Malinda Fedoris.
- Mary Klein is accepting sign-ups for the October post meeting paint-in. Lori Larkey will be the guest artist.
- The vice-presidents raffle has tickets available for purchase. Buy 1 ticket for \$1 or 6 for \$5 from either vice-president.

Secretary: Salomeja Garolis

- June, 2018 minutes moved to approve by Peggy Smith and seconded by Charmaine Bannister. Approved by all members.

Treasurers Report: Bob Davis

Chapter bank balances.

- US Bank checking: **\$23,299.52**
- Key bank checking (Raindrops): **\$ 3,038.20**
- Key Bank savings (Raindrops): **\$ 30,432.27**
- PayPal: **\$401.37**
- Total: **\$57,163.36**

Statement of net worth for January 1st-August 3rd 2019.

- Total revenue: **\$6,809.26**
- Total expenditures: **\$8,717.95**
- Net revenue: **\$ -1,908.69**

- Bob Davis requested motion to approve September/October pre-payment for the storage unit to avoid potential cost increase. Motion by Al McFarling second by Bobbie Reddington. Motion approved by all members.

Membership: Georgia Magarrell

- 80 members including 2 new members. Welcome Mary Petry and Linda Tolan as our newest members.

Nominating committee: Marsha Holte

- Several board positions will be changing, we need a vice-president, secretary and a co-treasurer.
- Co-positions are acceptable.
- Contact Marsha if interested in any of the roles.
- Charmaine Bannister will volunteer for secretary, and Bobbi Reddington will consider the VP position.

Greeters: Carol Klett & Al McFarling

- \$4.50 collected for absent members name tag fine.

Hospitality: Marlene Roth

- Marlene thanked members for the generous snacks they provided for the meeting.

Historian: Bobbie Baugher

- Bobbie brought a digital photo frame that displayed highlights from 2014. She will have another year loaded on the frame for the October meeting.

Ways & Means: Bobbie Redington

- Items are donation based. If in doubt ask for a suggested price.
- Checks need to be made out to the Raindrop chapter.
- Need a new coordinator for the job. Dinky Davis volunteered for the position in 2020.

Communications: Nancy Hughes & Sandy Tate

- Not present. No report

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Newsletter: Lisa Ludwig

- Not present - Deadline for newsletter submission is 8/15/2019.
- Need new editor for 2020

Education: Salomeja Garolis

- Judy Ribitch will teach 2 projects Sept. 14 and 15. Cost is \$70 for the two days. Non-members cost is \$100. The seminar will be held despite low member sign-ups. As of August 8, 2019, there are 14 paid students. Judy Ribitch agreed to change the Sunday project to a white lily spray to bolster students. Packets will be mailed to those registered when Salomeja receives them. Members who paid prior to August and who received the rabbit packet will need to return those at the seminar.
- Chapter discussed what they would prefer for seminars. The consensus was to move to a one-day format, draw from West coast pool of well-known teachers, schedule three seminars in a calendar year, attempt to piggyback a "big brush" when they are in the west by sharing air fare with other sponsoring group and the agreement of the artist.
- Sue Scheewe-Brown will be teaching in 2020. Tentative March date. Salomeja needs to contact Sue regarding the seminar length and obtain possible projects. The project will be done in watercolors. It was noted by several members that even if you have not previously done a watercolor Sue will ensure your success.
- Georgia Magarrell will be a seminar teacher with a date to be determined.

Sunshine: Dinky Davis reported for Debbie Gill

- 7 Birthday cards sent, 4 get well cards. Please continue to send cards to Judy Meirow. Members can also paint a brush and send to Judy.
- Need a new chair for this position in 2020.

Charities:

Marsha Holte

- The greatest need at the woman's shelter continues to be personal hygiene products. Please support them with donations of hand sanitizer, toilet paper, paper towels, diapers and oral care products.

Helga Nichols:

- 16 boxes are done.
- Boxes are available for members to take and return.
- Request for a member in the Portland area to deliver boxes to Randall hospital.
- Georgia Magarrell, Charmain Banister and Malinda Fedoris volunteered to deliver boxes to the hospital.

Georgia Magarrell:

- No new boxes received

Librarian: Lynne Magarrell

- There is a new binder being developed with a focus on packets by Shara Reiner, Rosemary West, JoSonja, and Maxine Thomas.
- Members are welcome to donate packets by these artists to the library.

Retreat: Jeanine Maurer, Judy Elam and Terri Prestrud

- No report.
- Additional information will be presented at future chapter meetings.

Secret pals: Dinky Davis for Judy Meirow

- Debbie Gill will be contact for the program through 2019.
- If you are unable to get to a meeting arrange for someone to take your gift.
- If your secret pal is not at the meeting take your gift home or ask someone who is in contact with them to deliver for you.
- Remember the special dates of a birthday or anniversary of your secret pal. If you can't come to a meeting it is good to write them a note that you remember them.
- The reveal of secret pals will be done at the Christmas brunch.
- Peggy Smith and Jen Kersten will coordinate the program in 2020.

Web master: Bob Davis

- Bob reviewed the instructions for how to take an on-line survey.

Old Business:

- Chapter Fun Day
 - November 2, 2019 will be the chapter "Fun Day" Peggy Smith and Georgia Magarrell are working on finalizing the 4 teachers.
 - This will be free for members
 - Pot-luck lunch

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- SDP
 - Georgia Magarrell stated more information would be released this month (August) regarding regional retreats. The current SDP plan is to have a "Four Corners" approach for the country.
 - The West/NW retreat might be held in Idaho.
 - The plan is a 4-day retreat with 3 teachers and the opportunity on day 4 to finish the pieces prior to returning home.
 - The Raindrop chapter was recognized as a chapter of distinction and as a result each member will receive an e-packet by email designed by Peggy Harris.

New business:

- **Coupon book**
 - Dinky Davis presented for the board the option of using a coupon book to incrementally pay for the 2020 retreat rather than one lump sum. Motion made by Georgia Magarrell and seconded by Peggy Smith. Motion approved by all members.
 - Chapter members who are interested in this need to contact Bob Davis for the coupon book.
- **Raindrop Contest**
 - Salomeja Garolis proposed a fun contest for chapter members titled "Make it New"
 - The chapter will supply a holiday theme packet for those who volunteer to update the project to reflect current trends in decorative painting.
 - A \$5 entry fee allows for prizes.
 - Winners will be determined by chapter member votes at the Christmas brunch.
 - Motion made by BJ Kendall and seconded by Charmaine Bannister. Motion carried.
 - Details can be found in the body of the September newsletter.

Chapter activity

- Bob Davis shared from the SDP handbook a project that might interest chapter members. **It reads** "Set aside one hour of a workshop and provide all the materials to "Paint-A-Pin". Each member gets a small wooden heart or star shape and paints a design of their choice on it. Quick roses, hearts, bees or dots and dashes quickly adorn the shapes; members are then given a pin back to attach to the finished project. Each project can be donated to new moms on Mother's Day at the nearest maternity ward, or to mothers in shelters to lift their spirits."
- It was discussed this was something we could do at the "Fun Day Event". Dinky will manage this.
- **Sponsor a member:** Bob Davis will have a signup sheet for anyone who would like to join him in supporting painters that don't have the finances to pay SDP & chapter fees **but** can attend our meetings and would like to paint with us. There are a few members who approached me about joining this venture during the last meeting after I brought this venture up.
- Bob Davis added a **Mentorship Program** to our private Facebook group so **only our chapter members** can build skills and share knowledge with other like members of our own chapter. This helps us build a stronger relationship with each other and hope you'll join by signing up either as a Mentor or Mentee.
 - **Here's how the program works:**
 - **Sign-up:** Group members can sign up either as a Mentor or Mentee profile, and either share what they're offering as a Mentor or what they are looking for as a Mentee.
 - **Finding a partner:** Group members can browse a list of available partners to find a match based on specific interests, and request to start a mentorship.
 - **Get connected:** Once their request is accepted, the pair is connected in a **one-on-one space on Messenger**.
 - **Guided Mentorship:** Partners can also receive structured prompts with actions and discussion topics to help the pair reach their goals.
- Bob Davis added a **Group Messenger Chat** to the private Facebook group so **ONLY** our chapter members can communicate with other group members using Facebook messenger directly.

Show & Tell:

- Projects by Mary Klein, Charmaine Bannister, Sandy Phillips and Stacy Hall.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Peggy Smith and seconded by Charmaine Banister.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Salomeja Garolis

Salomeja Garolis

