

RAINDROP CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Terry Banton. Introductions were made. Terry reminded everyone to check the secret pal area for your gifts.

EDUCATION: Everyone was asked to choose the two projects they wanted to paint with Trudy Beard on July 17 and 18. The price is \$25 per day. The metal pitcher for Saturday can be bought at Michaels Craft store.

CHARITIES: Georgia Magarrell showed several treasure boxes that had been decorated for the Shriner kids. She has 25 boxes ready to turn in and is asking everyone to continue to decorate photo or shoe boxes for the kids. Georgia also showed a wooden box that is for the Prudy Vannier class in May. Georgia said there were still openings in this class and encouraged people to sign up. Judy Meirow said diapers are most needed at the women's shelter. Any donations are welcome. Helen Mecham asked all to keep bringing pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Helga Nichols said thank you to all that brought memory boxes today. There were 10 boxes brought in. There is a need of about 80 or 90 boxes each year.

CONVENTION: Terry Banton has extra books for the Seattle Convention. There are also bookmarks advertising the convention.

VICE PRESIDENT: Debbie Gill shared information of upcoming events. Our June meeting will be followed by a paint-in by Rayma Stewart of a rabbit on a plate or anything you prefer to paint it on. After The August 7th meeting is a fabric painting by Susan Maahs, after the October meeting is marketplace and the December 4th is our annual Christmas Brunch at the Heathman Lodge in Vancouver, Washington. The board meetings are June 5, July 11, Sept. 12, and Nov. 14.

SECRETARY: Betty Jean Kendall read a thank you card from the Decorative Arts Collection for our \$200 donation we make.

TREASURER: Doris Beck reported \$54,869.99 in the Raindrops account and \$8243.34 in the Paint a Season of Memories account. Doris also presented the proposed budget for next years convention. BJ Schmader made a motion to accept this budget and Linda Aten and Joan Porter second the motion. Members voted and it passed.

COMMUNICATIONS: All members were asked to keep Dottie Hole up to date on any change of ad-

resses or phone and e-mail information.

MEMBERSHIP: 44 members present. There are 116 members at this time and 10 are new members.

HOSPITALITY: The snacks are great! Keep up the good work!

NEWSLETTER: The deadline for the next newsletter is April 15. Roberta Wells said the Coast to Cascade Chapter has almost all of their members get their newsletter by e-mail and we are at 32%. Let's get this number up.

STATE FAIR: Gwen Bennett asked if we wanted to ask the Coast to Cascade chapter members to share the state fair booth with us again. It was decided that we would ask them. It worked out well last year. Gwen will check with State Fair to get a day reserved.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: WE STILL NEED SOMEONE TO CHAIR THIS POSITION!!!!

RETREAT: Marie Morris is the contact for retreat. You can go online and see the information of Collins Retreat.

WAYS AND MEANS: There will be a drawing for the watch and cake plate today. This is for funds to send Vice President Debbie Gill to Nationals. The watch was won by Marlene Roth and the cake plate went to Becky Albeke.

CHAPTER BOOTH: Everyone is invited to come paint on Friday, April 23 at "Come Paint With Me" and paint ornaments for the spring tree at convention. Bring your spring colored paints and Rayma Stewart will have pieces for us to paint at 9:30 am.

SUNSHINE LADY: Frances Elliott had surgery for bladder cancer. She got an infection. Stan Brown is doing well after his surgery. Remember them with cards!

NEW BUSINESS: The convention meeting will be May 10th at 6:30 at the Monarch. Volunteers are needed. Everyone is welcome.

SHOW AND TELL: Nancy Hughes shared her painted dish and candlesticks she painted. Nice! Thanks Nancy.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Jean Kendall

