

The Raindrop Patter

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January & February 2013



Happy Holidays everyone! It is going to be a fun busy year. Our first meeting will be February 2nd at 10:00. The meeting will take place at Milwaukie Lutheran Church. Bring your sack lunches. Don't forget goodies for treat/snack table.

Our wonderful Becky Albeke will be teaching us a gorgeous tulip painting using many techniques. I can't wait to paint with one of my favorite artists! Send me a check for \$6.00 (Payable to Becky Albeke) if you are able to join us, and I will send you a photo with the prep instructions.

Send check to: Terry Banton 3739 SW Pasadena Street, Portland, OR 97219.

Debbie Gill has reserved the Union hall for the special paint weekend with Brenda Stewart, April 20th and 21st.

Thank you Debbie for getting us this great location. We will keep you posted on upcoming events as we add them to the schedule.

Contact me if you have any questions or concerns at TerryBanton@aol.com.
Your 2013 Vice President, Terry



A Few Words From the Outgoing President...

Happy New Year

I hope each of you had a wonderful holiday season. This last year went by fast and now we all have to get use to writing 2013 !! For me it is sad to write my last message as your 2012 President. Our Brunch was wonderful and congratulations to our members who earned service awards: Doris Beck, Lupe Vasquez-Lewis, Georgia Magarrell and our new board Rayma Stewart / President; Terry Banton / Vice-president; Nancy Baur / Secretary; Treasurer / Judy Elam & myself as chapter advisor.

As you know all the chapter members present at our December Brunch meeting were eligible to win a Retreat Registration for 2013 and the lucky winner was Linda Finicle. Congratulations to Linda who was all smiles at the announcement.

On a personal note I want to thank Becky Albeke for the wonderful painted tea pot I received as a gift. It is very precious and I was honored to have it join my painted tin collection. And our dear president Rayma gave me a darling sweatshirt jacket with many wonderful stitches that have a personal touch in each one for me. So a big hug and thank you to all involved. Ours is a wonderful group and I have loved getting to know people better from the positions I served and I am looking forward to being this chapter's advisor.

Best Wishes to each and everyone for a bright and peaceful new year ~ Pam

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RAINDROP CHAPTER MEETING December 1, 2012

Meeting called to order at 11:25 a.m.

President Pam Murphy announced the prize drawing for the Carla Stark sample painting will take place at the February meeting.

Linda Finicle's name was drawn as the winner of free registration at the March retreat. Maxine Thomas and Shara Reiner will be teaching at our retreat. The wood project pieces will be available at the February meeting. A Touch of Dutch will make Shara's sleigh.

Vice-President's Report: Rayma Stewart announced that Becky Albeke will teach a multi-media project following our February 2nd meeting.

President Pam Murphy announced a 2013 convention meeting **Monday, January 28, 5:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn Airport Hotel.**

Motion made by Susan Maahs, seconded by Charmaine Bannister, that Georgia Maggarell chair the Education Committee for 2013. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Joan Porter, seconded by Paula Peterson, that the minutes of the October 6 meeting be approved as printed in the newsletter. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Doris Beck reported account balances as follows: Raindrop Chapter Checking - \$14,161.87; Raindrop Chapter Certificate of Deposit #1 - \$4,251.43; Raindrop Certificate of Deposit #2 - \$14,816.26; Raindrop Certificate of Deposit #3 - \$26,035.45.

Advisor: Debbie Gill thanked the chapter members for their support throughout her tenure on the Executive Board.

Newsletter: Pam Murphy reminded members that the newsletter deadline is December 14.

Women's Shelter: Cleo Chase has resigned as the West Women's Shelter chair. Charmaine Bannister volunteered to serve in that capacity.

Memory Boxes: Judy Elam stated that the memory boxes are very much appreciated by the staff and mothers at Emanuel Children's Hospital. Paula Peterson will take over for her for 2013.

Motion made by Terry Banton, seconded by Nancy Baur, to donate funds to both the West Women's Shelter and the DAC. Motion amended by Peggy Smith, seconded by Sally Jacklin, that the donation to each organization be \$200. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion passed unanimously.

Membership: Joan Porter reported a chapter membership of 124 for 2012. The current membership for 2013 is now 64. Pam Murphy asked that all members check their directory listing for any errors, and report them to Joan as soon as possible. Joan also reported that the estate sales accounted for a net profit of \$1,100.

Sunshine Lady: Lucy Gertscher had back surgery. Marian and Vern VanDomelan were in a bad car accident. They are at home recovering.

Secret Pals: Susan Maahs will be assigning secret pals. If you mail a card to your secret pal, please use Susan's address as the return address.

Ways and Means: Betty Jean Kendall asked members to remember Ways and Means when they are cleaning out their extra painting supplies.

Education: Georgia Maggarell reviewed the Brenda Stewart seminar photos. Member cost for the seminar will be \$25.00 per day.

Installation of 2013 Officers: Rayma Stewart, President; Terry Banton, Vice-President/President Elect; Nancy Baur, Secretary; and Judy Elam, Treasurer; Pam Murphy, Advisor. Thank you gifts were given to 2012 committee chairs and officers.

Awards: The Stan Brown Outstanding Member Award was given to Lupe Vasquez-Lewis. The Commended Service Award was given to Georgia Maggarell. The President's Choice Award for outstanding service to the chapter was given to Doris Beck.

Vice President Rayma Stewart presented outgoing President Pam Murphy with a tin teapot painted by Becky Albeke, and a hand-stitched and decorated sweater made by Rayma.

Adjournment: 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Baur, Secretary

Ramblings from Rayma:

2012 – Now that was the year that was! Holiday Trio with Maxine Thomas, Bamboo and Dragonfly with Becky Albeke, Three Balloons with Rebecca Tremble who was able to teach at Chapter for the first time, Marian Van Domelen took us through another Strokework project, we were Welcomed to the Pumpkin Patch with Judy Meirow, and Sue Scheewe took us to a beautiful Winter Wonderland. Somewhere in there we were able to enjoy a Tea Party and later on we shopped at Market Place. My. My. My. We have been busy.

But, then, lo and behold, Santa Claus came to brunch! I know I had a wonderful and busy time at brunch. To all the ladies who decorated our tables – THANK YOU for a beautiful setting. There were so many who worked together to provide this for our members that I know I will forget to mention their names so I will acknowledge them at the February meeting. They were fabulous. Our Brunch was delicious and the service was great.

It is now time to welcome in a new year. Time for new ideas, new projects <even if they are 'old', they are new to 2013 is my way of thinking.>. Hey, I might even finish a project or two. My hope is to get more members active in Chapter – not just behind the scenes. We need you and your love of painting to complete the many tasks ahead of us. As you know, we have our first Convention Board Meeting this month on the 28. Please consider getting involved – it is a lot of work – but more importantly, is it a lot of fun. Think about it. Give me a call.

Don't forget that we have the Vice-President's raffle coming soon – we have some really great items to help you carry all your supplies to class and a couple of collectible books for your reading enjoyment. (Sound like a commercial, don't I?).

This is all I have for now. I look forward to our year ahead and I will see you in February.

Rayma

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EDUCATION REPORT by Georgia Magarrell

BRENDA STEWART – April 20 – 21st
Union Hall

Saturday = JOY SANTA BOX
Sunday = BITSY BUNNY



The Joy Santa Box top measures 4" X 4" and the sides are 3 1/4" deep. The price through Brenda Stewart for that surface is \$11.00. You are welcome to enlarge the pattern to fit other surfaces. Brenda does carry a box that is 6 x 6 for \$13.00. Brenda suggests that it not be enlarged beyond an 8 X 8. There are side patterns to this project that can be adapted to a taller or wider surface.

The Bitsy Bunny is done on a surface that is 3 1/2" X 2 1/2". Brenda does not have any of these boxes in stock, but she could have them made up for the seminar. This could also be made in a larger version. She will get back with me on the price. She does carry a coffered box that the pattern could be enlarged to fit on. The box measures on the top 5 1/2" X 4". The price of that box would be \$14.00.

The wood surfaces available are on Brenda's web site. If anyone is interested in her boxes, please go forward and get them ordered. Most of us have boxes in our stash, so look at the dimensions of the surfaces and let me know if you want to order. I can help you with this.

Questions? I will help you, just send an email...this is going to be a wonderful class.

This is in Acrylic and the paints will be supplied.

April comes fast, I will have the line work for Prep soon. Brenda has not sent me the line drawing and Prep instructions yet. It should be here for the February meeting for all who have paid.

Thanks,

Georgia

Education Chair

Raindrop Chapter

Last minute addition...**Hope this is not too late:**

Info on Brenda Stewart Santa Box:

#HBS-1 4x4 Star box = \$11.00

6x6 Plain Box = \$13.00

Bunny Box: Coffered Box Small #HBS35 = \$14.00 6 1/2 x 5 x 4

www.brendastewart.com



Secret Pals is a fun way to meet your fellow painters in a personable way. Anyone who didn't sign up at the Christmas Brunch, contact me and I will find one for you. It doesn't need to be expensive. Bring a card every other month to the meeting, or if you aren't going to be there, mail it. So she won't know who sent it, put my return address on it or for the fun of it go across the bridge to mail it.

If you want to mail it to me, ready to go, and I will mail it from here.

You will want to remember her Birthday with a paintbrush or small gift and her anniversary with a box of candy (just examples).

At the Christmas brunch you reveal who you are with a small remembrance, a Poinsettia or small gift. You also want to thank whoever had your name.

These are just examples as to how simple and low cost you can keep secret pals. One of my secret pals made her cards she sent me, it made them so special. Some pals like to send more and if yours does this, that's fine, but it doesn't mean you have to do the same or if you want to do a lot, don't expect your secret pal to do the same.

Have fun and if you have any questions, call me.
Susan Maahs

WANT TO HAVE FUN AND ENJOY TALKING TO SEMINAR TEACHERS?

WANT TO SCHEDULE EXCITING PROGRAMS FOR RAINDROPS?

WANT TO BRING TECHNIQUE AND THEORY TO "PAINTING"?

COME WALK WITH ME THIS YEAR THROUGH A VERY FUN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM.

WE NEED YOU. I WILL TEACH YOU ALL ABOUT THE EDUCATION PROGRAM AND HOW REWARDING IT IS.

EMAIL ME IF INTERESTED. georrog@aol.com

SUNSHINE LADY:

Warm Wishes to Lucy Gertscher, Jeanine Maurer and Vern & Marian Van Domelen's they continue to recover.

Lucy and Jeanine from surgery and the Van Domelen's from a terrible car accident.

Linda Aten is recovering from illness/hospital.

Doris has sprained her foot, and has been sick with a respiratory virus over Christmas. Keep her in your thoughts.

Nancy Baur has been down with cellulitis & a staff infection on her index finger of her right hand.

Cards are appreciated



New Members:

Emma Bleich B.D. 05-03
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Dallas, OR 97338
E-Mail: emmableich@q.com (Will read newsletter online)

Jeanie Burghardt B.D. 09-28 (dropped last year & renewed this year)
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Canby, OR 97013

Jeanne Heinrichs B.D. 10-04
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San Jose, CA 95123
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Char Peterson B.D. 12-28
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Renton, WA 98058

Janie Sevela B.D. 03-04
16948 - 126th Place, S.E.
Renton, WA 98058
e-mail: designsbyjanie@gmail.com (will read newsletter on line)

Mikki Snell B.D. 05-02
9475 SW Brentwood Place
Tigard, OR 97224

Roberta Wells B.D. 04-04 (dropped last year - rejoined for 2013)
11931 S.e.35th
Milwaukie, OR 97223
e-mail: robertawells@centurylink.net (will read newsletter online)

As of this date, we have 7 new members and 69 renewals. We ended 2012 with a total of 124 members.

Dear Pam,

I have truly enjoyed being your secret pal this year. All the thoughtful gifts brought sparkly good feelings for me. I do feel camaraderie and fun being part of our secret pal program. It means something to me to be remembered and supported during the year. I also enjoyed giving something good to a good artist and person. I hope the holidays and new year bring more fun and friends into our lives. Your Friend, Bobbie Baugher

Sincerely,
Bobbie



Birthdays

January

- 1--Carol Thornberry
- 4--Betty Streeter-Bordeau
- 13-Dinky Davis
- 15-Ruth Kraxberger
- 21-Sally Jacklin
 Evie Vaccaro
- 22-Terry Banton
 Susan Scheewe-Brown
- 26-Jean Montgomery
- 29-Judy Elam
 Rebecca Trimble



February

- 1—Tracy Tallman
- 2—Delores Stewart
- 4—June Houck
- 9—Mary Kapp
 Kathy Ownbey
- 12-Martha Croysdale
- 13-Carrol Klett
- 17-Leslie Bossen
- 21-Hanna Long
- 23-Lois Sutton
- 28-Lupe Vasquez-Lewis

Don't Forget to bring a snack or door prize for the February 2nd Meeting!



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Angles are Among Us! Retreat dates are March 8th-10th

Our annual retreat is fast approaching and we are excited to host an amazing weekend for good friends to come together to create beautiful painting pieces.

We are so fortunate to have Shara Riener join us for class on Saturday and Sunday. Additionally, we will be holding a Friday evening class, with a design by our own fabulous Maxine Thomas, yet to be released.

As you may know, the Collins Retreat Center does fill up quickly, so please register soon. We are hoping to have all registrations collected by the end of January.

- One night and 4 meals for 2 people will cost \$126.75 each person
- One night and 4 meals for 3-4 people will cost \$106.75 each person
- Two nights and 6 meals for 2 people will cost \$190.00 each person
- Two nights and 6 meals for 3-4 people will cost \$150.00 each person

Your registration includes yummy food, great atmosphere and amazing classes! Not to mention hanging with all your painting sisters for the weekend.

Judy Mierow will be handling the wood for the pieces for us. You can order the wood from her or paint the designs on anything you would like. The birdhouse wood cost will be \$18.00 and the sleigh will be \$38.00 for the large one and \$28.00 for the small one. Wood should be ordered upon registration so you will have it in plenty of time for base coating. (Photos on next page)

We are so excited for this event to come and hope that you will be joining us. And don't forget to invite a friend or two to become a member of the Raindrops so that they may attend this once in a lifetime opportunity.

Registration Form

*Registration due 1/31/2013

Name: _____ Raindrop Number: _____

Roommates: _____

Number of nights: _____

Amount sent in: _____

Special dietary instructions: _____

Contact Stephanie Graiff for any further information at: 503 789-1047 or email at sjgraiff@hotmail.com.

Mail registration form and check to:

Stephanie Graiff, 24060 NE Treehill Dr, Wood Village OR 97060

*checks should be made out to the Raindrops Chapter



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January:

28th, 5 p.m., Chapter Board Meeting at the Holiday Inn, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland, OR 97220

28th, 6 p.m. Mini Convention Board Meeting at the Holiday Inn, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland, OR 97220

February:

2nd, 10 a.m. Chapter Meeting at Milwaukie Lutheran Church

March:

8th, 9th & 10th, Spring Retreat at the Collins Retreat Center

April:

6th, 10 a.m. Chapter Meeting at Milwaukie Lutheran Church

20th & 21st, Union hall for the special paint weekend with Brenda Stewart

June:

1st, 10 a.m. Chapter Meeting at Milwaukie Lutheran Church

August:

3rd, 10 a.m. Chapter Meeting at Milwaukie Lutheran Church

October:

5th, 10 a.m. Chapter Meeting at Milwaukie Lutheran Church

December:

7th, 10 a.m. Christmas Brunch, location TBA



Just some of the photos you'll find on our Raindrops Chapter Web Site!Website!!



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Classroom setup	Betty Jean Kendall	503-668-6937	dbjkendall@hotmail.com
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Buffet Décor	OPEN (committee to follow our 4 season décor theme)		
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Registration Book	Joan Porter	503-666-6938	ladytoler@aol.com
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Student Teacher Art Show	OPEN		
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Security	Lockdown at the Holiday Inn Location		
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Consignment booth	Joan Porter	503-666-6938	ladytoler@aol.com
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Chapter Booth	OPEN		
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Milwaukie Lutheran Church

3810 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

MEETINGS ALWAYS START AT: **10 A.M.**

BROWN BAG LUNCHES

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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DEPENDING ON TEACHER.

LUNCHES ARE USUALLY POTLUCK



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