



The Raindrop Patter

The Raindrop Chapter of Portland, Oregon has been an affiliate of the Society of Decorative Painters since 1978



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June Meeting, Paint-In & Pot Luck!

Chapter Members will be getting together after the June meeting to paint NAUTICAL THEME TABLE DECORATIONS for this year's convention banquet, coordinated by Bobbie Redington.



Bobbie is asking chapter members to paint at least 8 small nautical themed ornament size items, one per each place setting of 8.

Each table place setting will be different. Place settings will include a lunch sized gift bag filled with art supplies & treats. Our hand-painted items will be displayed outside the bag to show off our handy work but should be sized to fit inside the gift bag for guests to take away. See the next page for more information!!



Check out pictures from our meeting
and paint-in with Linda Finicle
on page 13



Surface ideas include glass ornaments, wood cutouts, wood boxes, small canvas, drift wood, reclaimed wood, seashells, small ceramic, glass or metal containers.

What to Bring: Please bring your own painting supplies (brushes, paint, etc.) Bobbie will bring a variety of blank surfaces along with sample ideas but if you have surfaces and ideas already,

please bring them too!

We will be sharing ideas and working together to get as many finished as possible. We are planning for around 40 tables so we need a lot of these small painted gifts!

For those of you who have already finished items, please bring them to June's meeting. Bobbie will collect finished items through July!

We will also have a Pot Luck Lunch. Please bring an item to share along with serving utensil if needed. Bobbie will provide paper products, ice tea and lemonade!

Need ideas? Check out Bobbie's [Pinterest](#) page: [Bobbie Redington / Beach Party](#) You may also contact Bobbie at vinesampler@gmail.com or 360-606-9600



Spreading the word about Decorative Painting

Lana Knoll was asked by her neighbor if she would display some decorative painting items at the **Keizer Community Library**.

Here are some pictures of the display she set up. It was a great opportunity to display our convention catalogues and some books on tole painting.

Thank you Lana!



From the Chapter President

Hi Raindropper,

I hope you are all doing well and enjoying the few nice days we have had, but I have to tell you I would like more sunny days, I have spring fever and I want to spend time outside without getting wet, but alas we don't always get what we want. I just have to remember April showers, bring May flowers.

Looking ahead we have fun things instore for all. At the June meeting we will have the vice-president's raffle, buy tickets and get in on a chance to win some nice painted pieces to add to the collections I know you all have and enjoy.

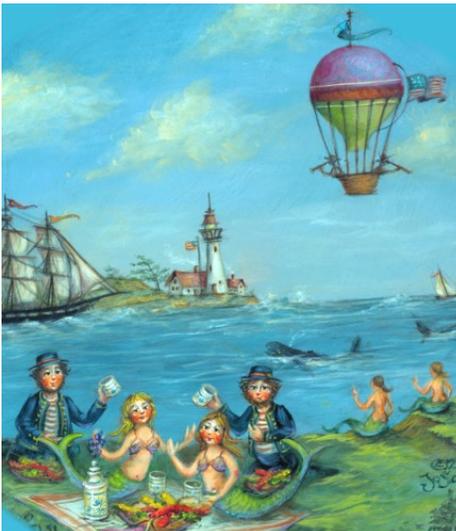
After the meeting, we will all be painting table decorations for the convention banquet. Bobbie Redington is heading this effort. If you need help with surfaces, patterns and paint they will be provided. If you have your own that is good also. Just bring whatever you want to work on and enjoy time with the other members. Remember it will also be potluck so bring you favorite dish. Drink and paper products will be provided.

We also have the Maureen Baker seminar on June 24 and 25. Two great days of painting with a wonderful teacher.

I have to give a plug for the convention, if you haven't signed up yet, please do, it's a good time to be with those who enjoy the wonderful art form that we all share. There are many different classes, try some new.

Paint happy and share the joy.

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

[Convention Guide](#)

Then visit the

[Online Store](#)

When your ready to register!

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

A Message from the Vice President

Well good afternoon all....

Here I am again, bending your ears (or eyes as that may be). I hope your Spring is going well. I know, I know...it is a little wet. But you know what they say? April showers bring May flowers. Well, if that is true, we are going to have a real over abundance of flowers this year!! Ha Ha!!



Since we last spoke, I attended the Las Vegas convention, met a lot of people (including teachers and SDP Board Members), went to a few classes and did a lot of sightseeing. Some of the things, I really did not need to see but overall it was fun. My feet hurt from all of the walking we did, both in the hotel/convention and out on the strip. Jen had to visit that Coca Cola store on more than one occasion. And, some of the casinos were absolutely breathtaking! The lights, the imagination, and the colors were amazing. And the restaurants were simply marvelous. I was surprised at all of the sights that there are to see there. I can hardly wait to go do it all over again. Way more fun than a barrel of monkeys!! I guess we all need to get out of our own little 'safe' zone once in a while. And Oregon sure seems to be my safe place.



I hope you all are planning on attending the paint-in in June. Bobbie needs the help and I really thought it would be a great idea for everyone to get to help in the convention, no matter what had to be done. And I know you all enjoy painting...I mean, isn't that the reason we all belong to SDP and our individual painting groups? I know I do. And there really is no other 'therapy' for anyone than to be enjoying this fine art with all of our painting family. I cannot imagine being without all of you. It always makes me smile as I hope it does for you as well. I am sorry to be missing this paint-in as I have a granddaughter graduating from high school in San Diego so I will be probably be travelling one way or the other. I will miss all of you. Please smile a smile for me!

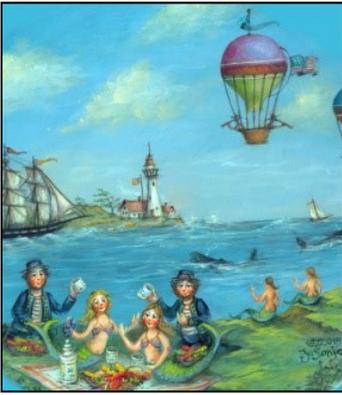


If you haven't registered for the convention, remember the classes are filling up fast. I know I have to quit procrastinating as well and figure my classes and jobs out. Too many things to do and not enough time. Does that sound familiar? Ha Ha! I am sure that you all have the same problem.

I must sign off for now. I wish to thank **Linda Finnacle** again for the birdhouse class and I am sure that you all had fun with that class. I hated to miss it but there is always another time. I really have put a lot in here so I will hush for now and see you all soon...

Always smile and have fun...

Peggy



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!



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
You supply the canvas 12 X 16.

Location: Union Hall in Tualatin

9:00 AM- 4:30 PM

Fee: \$ 70 includes both days or \$35 for class of your choice

Last date to register is June 10, 2017

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

Pot-luck lunch both days

Information on this page submitted by [Salomeja Garolis](#)

Raindrop Meeting Minutes 4/1/2017

ATTENDEES

Bd Members Present - Emma Bleich, Sally Jacklin, Carol Thumberg, Dinky Davis, Peggy Smith
30 Attendees and 1 guest

AGENDA

Dinky Davis - no report Catalogues for Convention available.

Peggy Smith - June Paint in will focus on table decor for the convention. No Cost. October paint in will be with Judy Meirow, possible New Years Sign - we will need stencils - August paint in will be with Rosemary Kruger - a Multi-Media project. Next February will be glass painting project by Jen Kersten.

Jennifer Kersten - raffle tickets for sale for Presidents Raffle. These include a necklace, Santa (by Shara Rinert) and Box (by Pricilla Hauser).

Carol Thumberg - minutes from last meeting - modified to show correct date of Board Meeting - every other month following the convention meeting. Approved as corrected. Moved by Jen, 2nd by Debbie.

Emma - Key Bank checking \$5,965.18, Savings - \$30,390.32 US Bank - Convention Checking \$ 74,395.75 - this includes current registration fees.

Dinky - Current Registraion is at 166 attendees - hoping for 300.

Charmaine - current membership is at 89 with 2 former members possibly joining.

Helga - 9 memory boxes turned in today.

Marsha- womens shelter sent nice thank you card for the Christmas items we sent. They always need Toilet Paper, Paper towels and blankets. Their Christmas Party is always 10 days prior to Christmas, so we should start planning now to bless them.

Salomeja - Maureen Baker will be our Guest Artist in June. Dates are the 24th and 25th - cost will be \$35.00 or \$70.00 for both days - each day will be a different project. There will be a potluck lunch both days.

Marie - We need to decide if we want a retreat next year as we did not have the needed number of participants this year to break even. Vote was taken and decided that we will have retreat next March 23 - 25th at the Collins Retreat Center - cost will be about \$230. Our Saturday project will be done with Jamie Mills Price. We need a minimum of 25 attendees to cover the cost of the contract. We will need teachers for Friday evening and Sunday. Bobby Redington will be co-chair with Marie for next year.

Sharon - Birthday cards were sent out as well as Sympathy Card for June Hauck. We will put memorial information on the website. Carol McCann has also passed and will leave another hole in our hearts. Discussion was held about offering rides for some of our elderly or handicapped members. These members will be contacted to see if this service would be helpful.

Sharon - Ways and Means has old Decorative Painter magazines and many projects, some are mystery projects (No instructions included). In June will be ready to make some great deals to decrease our inventory.

Lisa - Deadline for Newsletter is April 15th (along with taxes) this will be sent out about May 7th. Look for a special surprise project in the next edition! Lisa would like blurbs about what classes you are taking and what you liked or not about them. Also, if you went to Las Vegas, or any other convention or seminar. Please send them to Lisa.

Dinky - An Electronic bulletin board has been added to the convention site - people may post for transportation, room mates or what have you. There will also be some helpful tips for people who will be attending.

Bobbie- Table decor - we would like to give each of the attendees a special memento to take home - hand painted small items - you may paint something at home, or come to the June paint in. Nautical Theme - for ideas follow Bobbie on Pintrest - page called Beach Party.

Raindrop Chapter Meeting Minutes, *Continued...*

We started a discussion on how to attract new members - we will look at setting up a Facebook page for the Chapter - try to include a project from the convention each day.

Peggy - nominations for next years board are needed by August!

Dinky - new members only password for Website - memories2017

Debbie Gil - discussed voting for National Board members - had ballots and will mail them in on Monday.

Emma - we should discuss compensating Debbie and Judy for their work at Las Vegas in contacting Vendors for our convention - this will be discussed further at later meeting.

New Business

Dinky - Past member Jody Cushman has passed away - her daughter contacted Dinky and donated all her Books and patterns - these will go into our after hours used book sale at convention. Her daughter also would like to host an event (probably July) where she will have wood items for sale and some portion will be given to our chapter. She wants to give back something because Painting was so enjoyed and loved by Jody.

Judy Zogg - She is NOT retiring nor going out of business - we will be the first to know when she does decide it is time.

Meeting adjourned 10:50am

Ways & Means Summer Sale!

Ways and Means will have several tables of items to sell at the June meeting. This would be a great time to pick up some little projects to paint on for convention and the banquet tables.

Lots of ideas for the wood pieces. Bring your dollars and quarters and be ready to **shop till ya drop!**

Sharron Hansen, Ways and Means Chair

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.

Calendar of Upcoming Activities

May, 2017

May 2nd, Convention Paint-in—contact Bobbie Redington for details.

May 31—Convention/Board meeting at McMenam's in Wilsonville—5:00 for dinner 6:00 for meetings (Note location may be changed to Judy Meirov's home and include a paint in. Look for email to confirm location.)

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.

June 28—Convention meeting at McMenam's in Wilsonville—5:00 for dinner 6:00 for meetings

July, 2017

July 26—Convention/Board meeting at McMenam's in Wilsonville—5:00 for dinner 6:00 for meetings

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.

15th Newsletter Deadline for publication around 1st of November

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

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. Project to be determined.

15th Newsletter Deadline for publication around 1st of March

March, 2018

TBD

April, 2018

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

Convention Meeting 3/22/17

ATTENDEES

Betty Jean Kendall, Emma Bleich, Bobbi Redington, Charlene Bannister, Dinky Davis, Sally Jacklin, Terry Banton, Marlene Roth, Jen Kersten, Peggy Smith, Judy Meirow, Debbie Gil, Carol Thumberg

AGENDA—Meeting Called to order 6:10 pm

Last Meeting Follow-up

Terry Banton - To keep cost down, our Banquet will be buffet style. Banquet tables will have cream tablecloths and napkins. We will provide wine and cider for the Thursday Special event class. We will try to provide per order Lunch for Vendors. We will also provide coffee for vendors ONLY Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the morning. We will provide 2 stations for the no-host bar. Terry will assist those who are helping on the vendor floor so they can attend classes.

Dinky - currently have 145 people signed up. Our goal is 300. Some classes are already filled. Those who have few spots filled will get some special advertising. Dinky will get a list of those classes.

Emma and Sally - no report.

Peggy and Jen - Chapter Booth-We decided to limit number of items to be raffled. One has been donated by Jean Montgomery,

Debbie and Judy - Have these vendors signed up -

Sharf Brushes, Jo Sonja, Shari ?, Erica JoAnn, Stan and Sue, Jamie Mills Price, Smooth Cut Wood, Brush Guys, Deb Antonatte, Adorn It. Others may be coming

Marjory Ostenberg and Lori Larkey will be contacted about sharing a booth.

Debbie Olson from Canby hoping to come.

Charmaine - Still waiting for some I9's - she has 10 so far. Catalogs have been mailed to 41 chapters and Lana Knoll has done a fantastic job in the media, Facebook and with California Chapters.

Looks like we will have 5 2 hour specials - these will not be advertised ahead of the Convention so as to not detract from the regular classes.

Tracey Meriow, Maxine Thomas, Diane Terwiller, Lori Larkey and Ann Marie Oke are currently the teachers.

Discussion was held regarding getting the painting tools needed for the specials onto the trade floor - looks like we will need a roped off area so that people may bring bags onto that part of the floor only.

Dinky - the website currently has a bulletin board added to help attendees with any needs such as roommates or ???

Jen and Mary will be working on the program books - they will look at older ones for ideas.

Bobbi - there will be 8 settings at each table - Sally and Emma showed their very cute lighthouses that they are painting. She is contacting vendors for donations we will have our paint - in in June to make decorations.

Meeting Adjourned 7:05

Raindrop Board Meeting called to order 7:15

Carol Thumberg, Dinky Davis, Peggy Smith, Charmaine Bannister, Betty Jean Kendall, Emma Bleich, Sally Jacklin.

We need to again review and publish correct changes to Article 6, section 5 to remove Sergeant at arms.

Correction to Article 8#3 minutes were incorrect - needs to say Board Meeting will be held every other month - not once per month.

Georgia volunteered to attend the National Meeting in Florida to represent our Chapter - agreed.

Meeting Adjourned 7:45

Convention Meeting 4/26/2017

ATTENDEES

Dinky Davis, Charmaine Bannister, Carol Klett, Lisa Ludwig, Peggy Smith, Jen Kersten, Carol Thumberg, Bobbie Redington, Sally Jacklin, Emma Bleich, Betty Jean Kendall, Marlene Roth, Terry Banton, Lana Knoll.

AGENDA—Meeting called to order 6:16 pm

Last Meeting Follow-up

Need to round up 5 gallon water buckets - check with local restaurants.

Reports

- Dinky - 178 currently registered - If person needs to cancel after deadline of July 31st, they will not be refunded money, but will get painting surface and packets for classes missed. They will be sent to them if requested.

- Teachers will be told class enrollment on July 31st. At that time they will be able to cancel any class that has too few attendees. We will then be able to schedule additional classes for those with waiting lists.

- Name tags will be made for all registrants.

- Terry- Banquet menu still to be decided. Currently we have 309 nights booked for hotel stay - need 380 nights for current rate of \$119. Per night. 7 rooms have been booked for volunteers. Would like to request an evening debrief each night of convention to cover things that come up during convention.

- Bobbie - will work with Terry on Banquet decor. We have scheduled an evening painting at Judy Meirow's studio on May 2nd.

- Judy and Debbie were unavailable tonight - some vendor payments have been made - expect more after National convention. Remember that many of our vendors are retiring and this may affect trade floor.

- Peggy, Chapter booth will have enough raffle items.

- Charmaine is waiting for July 31st to finalize classroom assignments. Reminder that teachers are not to sell packets nor teach convention pieces prior to convention. Charmaine will remind teachers of this contract clause. She still needs I9's for some of the teachers and will find out what forms are needed for Canadian teachers.

- Dinky will send e mails with class sign up numbers.

- Mary and Jen will be working on program books and checking with vendors regarding ads or coupons to be included. These will not be printed before July 31st. Ads and coupons will be sold to vendors.

- Lana will post again on Facebook. Will need to contact Seattle with date of next convention.

- Meeting in October will be time to decide if we will hold another convention, or if we will not continue this tradition. Many chapters have folded and many have cancelled conventions. One consideration may be cost of SDP membership which is going up.

- Lisa - bag check and placement of Chapter booth will need to be agreed upon.

- Requesting volunteers for all positions.

- Meeting adjourned 7:30

•ACTION ITEMS

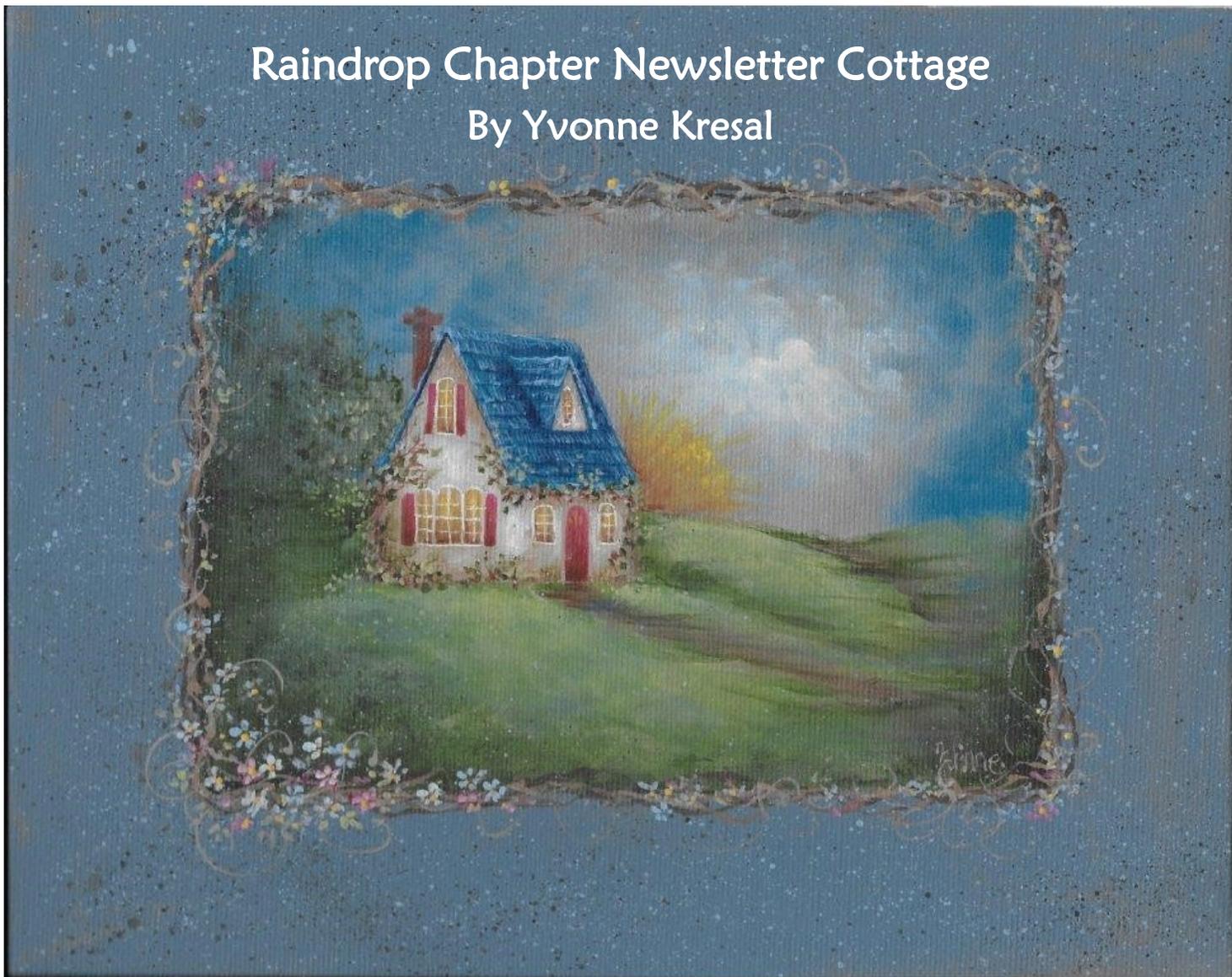
1. Discussed how to involve younger people in our chapter and convention- ask younger people to teach and share their skills and interests - may want to focus on these people next year as we set up our meetings.

NEXT MEETINGS AGENDA

Meeting will be held on May 24th - probably a paint in again at Judy Meirow's.

Raindrop Chapter Newsletter Cottage

By Yvonne Kresal



DecoArt Americana Palette: Light Buttermilk, Khaki Tan, Sable Brown, Dark Chocolate, Cadmium Yellow, Honey Brown, Russet, Slate Grey, Baby Blue, Victorian Blue, Prussian Blue, Light & Medium Hauser Green, Plantation Pine, Royal Fuchsia.

Sky: Slate Gray with clouds of Baby Blue and Light Buttermilk. Shade Victorian Blue.

Sun: Honey Brown, shade Russet, highlight Cadmium Yellow

Ground: Hauser Medium Green, shade Plantation Pine. Highlight Light Hauser Green.

Path: Sable Brown, shade Dark Chocolate.

Cottage: Khaki Tan. Highlight Light Buttermilk, shade Sable Brown. Windows: Honey Brown, shade Russet, highlight Cadmium Yellow. Frames: Light Buttermilk. Shutters: Royal Fuchsia + Russet. Chimney: Russet

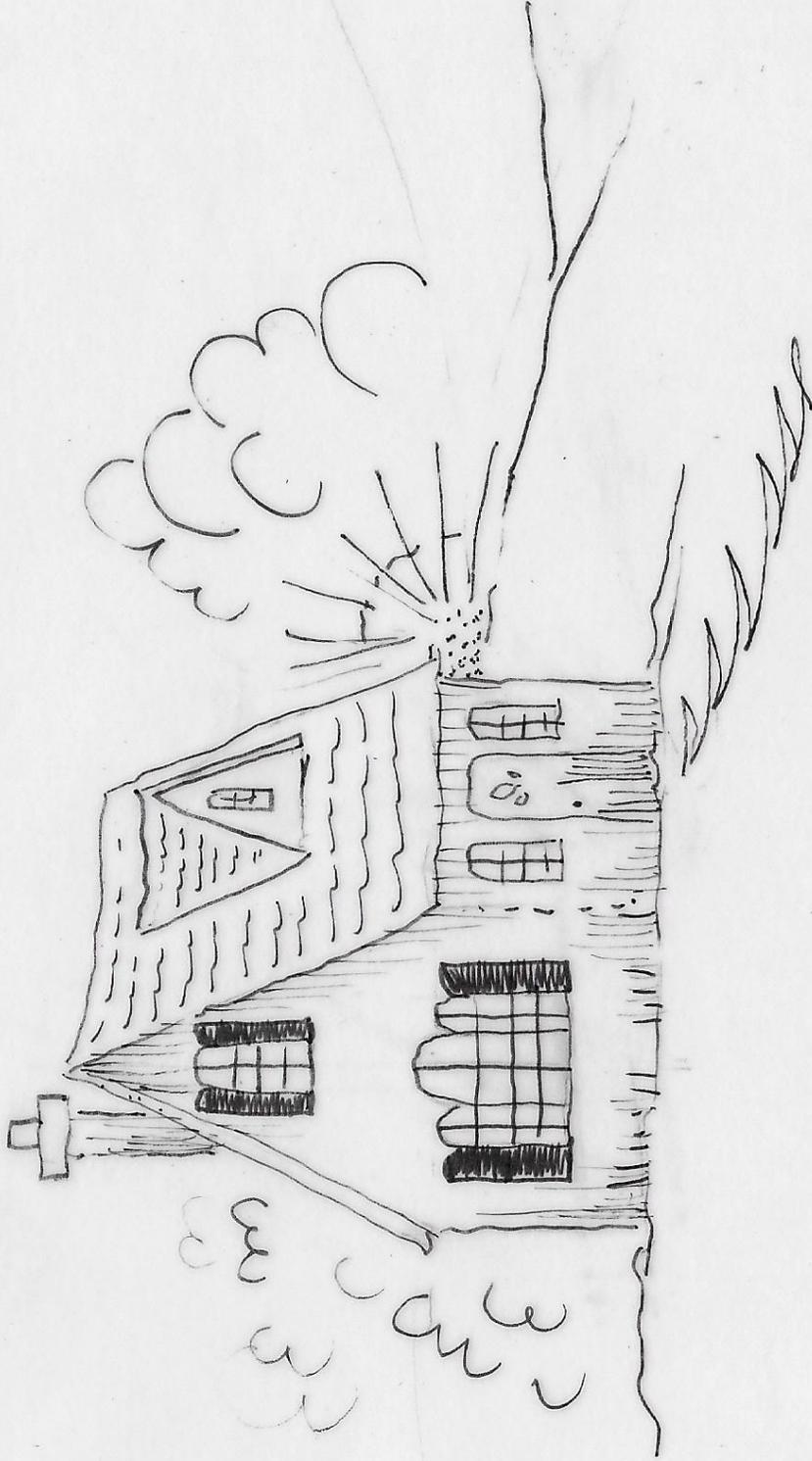
Cottage roof: Victorian Blue, shaded Prussian Blue (any dark blue), highlight Baby Blue

Vines: Begin Dark Chocolate, then Sable Brown, then Khaki Tan.

Flowers: Baby Blue (straight and lightened) Royal Fuchsia (straight and lightened). Center dots: Cadmium Yellow

Greenery & leaves: same as ground

Mat: Williamsburg Blue



Design by
Yvonne Kresal

April Meeting & Paint-in Review!





MEMBERSHIP

HELLO TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL 89 MEMBERS AND COUNTING.

TOGETHER, WE MAKE THIS CHAPTER GREAT!!!!

CHARMAINE BANNISTER, CHAIR

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<i>Sonja Blacksten</i>	<i>5th</i>
<i>Gail Butler</i>	<i>21st</i>
<i>Becky Albeke</i>	<i>22nd</i>

JUNE

<i>Marsha Holte</i>	<i>7th</i>
<i>Joan Porter</i>	<i>16th</i>
<i>Mary Klein</i>	<i>25th</i>
<i>Debbie Gill</i>	<i>29th</i>
<i>Sue Snethen</i>	<i>29th</i>



While traveling in Victoria, BC we saw this fun cartoon that I wanted to share with you.

Happy Creating and Painting!!!!

Charmaine

Don't forget I still need submissions for the front cover of our 2018 chapter directory. I know you all have wonderful ideas, and we need to share our talents!

Submit to Charmaine Bannister

"WE CAN DO ANYTHING WE WANT IF WE STICK TO IT LONG ENOUGH." HELEN KELLER



Challenge yourself, be smarter, live longer and feel good, **VOLUNTEER!**

Think about the last time you volunteered your time and talents to an important effort or cause? How did it make you feel? With the busy lives we lead, just the thought of volunteering might seem overwhelming, but we forget often how beneficial it is! Here are 5 reminders about why volunteering is a good thing!

1. Finding meaning and purpose at any age. Sharing what you've learned with others can be a rewarding opportunity to give back; knowing that you are helping in anyway is also therapeutic. Translation: **Volunteering feels good!**
2. Many people who volunteer say that helping gives them a good feeling inside, what researchers call a "Helpers high". And a study of older adults showed that those who volunteered with others had lower mortality rates! Translation: **Volunteers live longer.**
3. Make new friends and improve your mind. OK its really two reasons but hear me out, a study conducted by an Alzheimer's disease center shoed a link between higher levels of social connections and participation in social activities with better cognitive function, or in layman's terms, meeting new people makes you smarter! Translation: **Be smart, Volunteer.**
4. Learn new skills: its never too late to learn a new skill, or technique other wise we painters would be in trouble!!! Volunteering to help is a great way to stretch yourself and try something you haven't done before, who knows you might be great! Translation: **Volunteering challenges you!**
5. Know that you can make a difference: No matter how small the act, it can make a huge difference. We all know the saying, "Many hands make light work" and whether its sitting at the information table, monitoring a class, painting table decorations, classroom setup/clean up, heling in the chapter booth or the bag check booth, decorating for the banquet, putting up signs, making a coffee run for the registration people, bringing a snack to the vendors or just listening to a fellow painter complain about her flight, it can bring immeasurable comfort, joy and encouragement. Translation: **Make a difference, Volunteer!**

Adapted from an article by Rita Altman, RN published by the Huffington Post

Editor's Notes:

Just a few thoughts, thanks, corrections and other interesting notes from me, your editor.

1. **Correction** on the last newsletter I noted that it was the April and May , 2017 newsletter when in fact it was the March & April 2017 newsletter.
2. **A BIG THANK YOU To Yvonne Kresal!** For the wonderful design that she donated to us for this issue of our newsletter! It is so Yvonne and I love it! Thank you so much!
3. **Tell us what your up to!** I was delighted to share what **Lana Knoll** has been up to at her local library! Thank you Lana for sharing! I would love to have more articles like that about what you are painting, classes or seminars you are attending outside of our chapter and what other ways are you promoting decorative painting!
4. **How does it READ?** My question is about the readability of your newsletter. As you can see I like using colorful backgrounds and I hope the choices I've made enhance the newsletter but are not making it difficult to read. If it is, please let me know—this is YOUR newsletter!
5. **Calendar:** I am still looking for a better option for sharing those items that are typically found on a calendar so if you have any ideas...please share them!
6. **Your Newsletter:** this is your newsletter so if you would like to see something, would like to ask about a color or technique, share about a class you took, offer a word of thanks to someone, do you need a ride or can you give a ride—anything! Please let me know!

Lisa Ludwig at

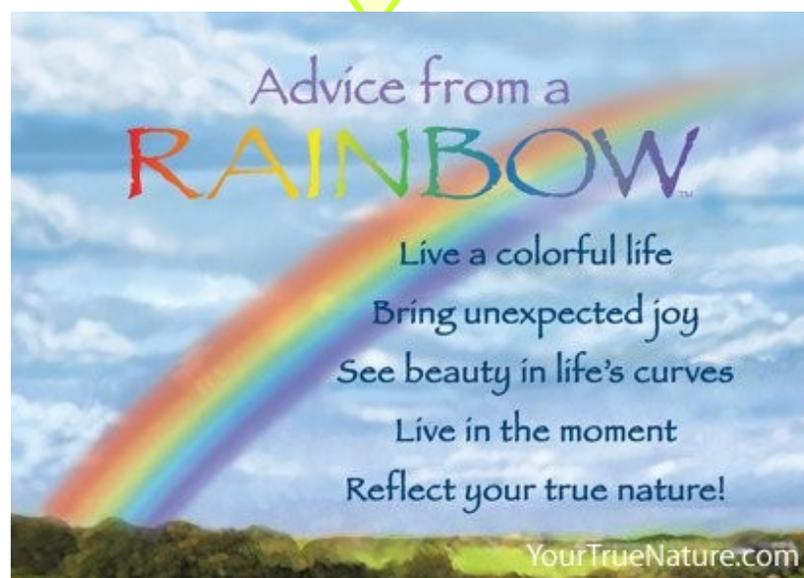
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My mother **Lois "Carol" McCann** died March 11, 2017. She died about 40 days after we were told she had stage 4 brain cancer. She was surrounded by her devoted family until she died. It all happened so fast.

She was a member of Raindrops and SDP for many years participating in meetings when she was in our area. She also went to our conventions and Seattle conventions. She started painting around 1978 when my youngest brother left home and she had empty nest syndrome. I talked her into taking classes with me from Linda Clacey in Vancouver if I remember right. She loved art and painted, made cards and traveled by sail boat for many years marveled at the beauty of everything she and my father (Robert McCann) saw. All of which led her interest in what she decided to create and learn about. She had the gentlest way of talking with others and made many friends. She truly enjoyed all of her Raindrop friends and the opportunities to paint with friends. In 2013 she made the beautiful cards I gave as a thank you to those who donated to Chapter Booth that year. She always helped where she could. We all loved her very much.



*Bobbie
McCann
Baugher*



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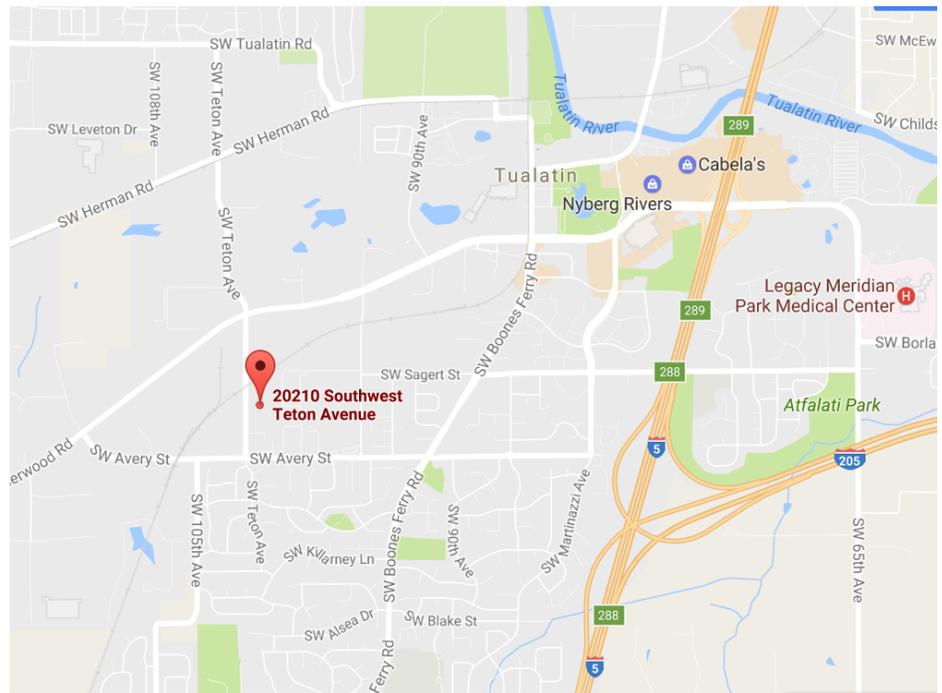
Our meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of the even numbered months at the Union Hall (UA Local 290) **Doors are open at 8:30** and the **meetings start at 9:30**—Bring a sack lunch if you intend to stay and paint after the meeting. For Seminars at the union hall we do pot luck!

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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