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JOIN US FOR OUR
2025
PORTLAND RAINDROPS

“Woodland”

DECEMBER

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Join us for a festive "Woodland" themed Christmas celebration filled with holiday cheer! Enjoy music, exciting raffles, and get creative with Alcohol Ink & Mudding Christmas ornament balls.

DOORS OPEN AT 9:30 A.M. PARTY STARTS AT 10:00 A.M.

Christmas PARTY



Don't miss your chance to snap a fun photo with Santa himself! It's the perfect way to kick off the season with friends.

MILWAUKIE LUTHERAN CHURCH 3810 SE LAKE RD.,
MILWAUKIE, OR 97222

If you think the Tea Party was special, you won't want to miss our Extra Special Christmas Party!

Raindrops is spreading the cheer by providing a delicious ham for our festive feast! This year, we're skipping the usual \$20 fee and instead asking everyone to bring their favorite Christmas dish to share. Whether it's a scrumptious dessert, a colorful veggie tray, a tasty salad, or a cozy main dish. (If it needs to stay warm, please bring it in a crock pot!)

Bringing a guest? Wonderful! Just make sure they bring a dish too.

We love a full table and full hearts!
Let's eat, laugh, and be merry together!

Please let Cheryl know what dish you are bringing:
ponygirlcl@yahoo.com

Let's Celebrate!





The Presidents Message

Hi Ladies,

I cannot believe the trees are turning and it is now 63 days before Christmas....less by the time you read this....but have you just looked at the gorgeous colors of all the trees?

At our last meeting we had 12 Live members plus 6 on Zoom. It's getting better and I must say the urge to pitch in and help out was at an all-time high. I was so happy.

The members there volunteered for jobs that needed help and we all agreed that we want to keep coming back to the church. Everyone was involved in the discussion on what we as Raindropper's want to do. We are going to work on next year with Live teachers and go from there.

In the meantime, the volunteers came out of the closets....we just need to ask.. After the Raindrop discussion, the present board agreed to stay put, unless someone came forward to pitch in. Remembering that we need help in some areas, all we need to do is ask. So, we did. I am so dang proud that everyone that was at the meeting showed so much interest in keeping things rolling along.

Terry Banton has volunteered to take over Cheryl's place as VP when Cheryl has to move to Grants Pass. Mary Berube volunteered to help Beckie with auditing. Crystal volunteered to be Hospitality. It's all taking place. Let's keep the ball rolling. It was like a breath of fresh air....

Lydia Steeves Seminar was a hoot. After all expenses we made \$20. lololol Not bad.

Now is the CHRISTMAS PARTY! You are not going to want to miss this one!

1st - Contact Mary Rankin on what food you are going to bring because this is your entry fee - All guests must bring something too...

2nd - Bring a WRAPPED ORNAMENT

3rd - To participate in the Alcohol Ink Glass Ornament making, you need to bring a can of Electronics Compressed AIR - This comes with a very long extension tube....this is to move the paint inside the clear ornament

4th - There will be DecoArt Demos on new products along with a demo on Mudding.

This all begins at 10:00 am - We play until noon, then lunch, raffles, gifts, etc.

The main meal will be a Holiday Ham, green bean casserole and a variety of potatoes....use your crock pots to keep things warm.... We need Pumpkin pies and whipped cream.....among other treats.....

We will have the calendar of events out by January, so you will know the fun teachers we will be having. For sure we have Tracy Moreau and Sandy McTier. Both teach techniques. Woohoo.....

Thanks again for volunteering ladies and for keeping the excitement of the club growing.

Georgia



The Vice-Presidents Message

Hi Everyone,

Welcome Fall, it's here. Fall colors and crisp mornings. As the year winds down we still have another big event.

The Christmas party! This year will be a change from the past years. So many prizes, Santa, great food and make n takes. Bring your favorite Christmas dish. Please sign up early.

Cheryl

NOVEMBER

- 3 Nancy Welch
- 5 Crystal Samuels
- 8 Betty O'Dell
- 8 Mary Scott
- 16 Tracy Dahlke
- 22 Monica Bayness
- 27 Linda Aten
- 27 Lucy Gertscher



DECEMBER

- 8 Bobbie Reddington
- 11 Marie Veloz
- 22 Pat Taber
- 23 Jennifer Smith
- 27 Vicki Michael
- 31 Heidi Allison

DECEMBER 15TH, 2025 DEADLINE

for Jan / Feb 2026
Newsletter
Contact: Crystal Samuels
raindropeditor@gmail.com

**WE HAVE A NEW FACEBOOK
& INSTAGRAM PAGE!**

 Raindrop Decorative Painters

 Portland Raindrops

Don't forget to look at
our website:

portlandraindrops.org

Raindrop Decorative Painters

Statement of Activity

August - September, 2025

	AUG 2025	SEP 2025	TOTAL
<i>Revenue</i>			
Interest Earned from Savings	0.31	0.31	\$0.62
Membership-Dues		42.50	\$42.50
Seminars	86.41	326.26	\$412.67
Total Revenue	\$86.72	\$369.07	\$455.79
GROSS PROFIT	\$86.72	\$369.07	\$455.79
<i>Expenditures</i>			
Banking-Paypal Fees	1.41	19.82	\$21.23
Donations-Other	250.34		\$250.34
Meetings-Facilities Costs	125.00		\$125.00
Meetings-Other	25.00		\$25.00
Miscellaneous	18.50		\$18.50
Professional Fees-Accounting	57.00		\$57.00
Subscriptions-Accounting	38.00		\$76.00
		38.00	
Total Expenditures	\$515.25	\$57.82	\$573.07
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -428.53	\$311.25	\$ -117.28
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Statement of Financial Position

As of September 30, 2025

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
<i>Current Assets</i>	
Bank Accounts	
Checking-Key Bank #3380	2,242.11
PayPal Not Transferred	100.00
Savings-Key Bank #8102	36,264.35
Total Bank Accounts	\$38,606.46
Other Current Assets	\$0.00
Total CurrentAssets	\$38,606.46
TOTAL ASSETS	\$38,606.46
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$38,606.46

More News & Thank You's

2025 Christmas Brunch:

Contact Mary Rankin on what food you are going to bring because this is your entry fee - All guests must bring something too! mary_ran@msn.com

The Christmas Brunch Food List so far:

*Ham
Green Bean Casserole
Cheezy Potatoes
Scalloped Potatoes
Shrimp Casserole
Mustard Sauce
Broccoli Salad
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Cranberry Bread
Cranberry Chutney
Sourdough Bread Stuffing
Sweet Potatoes
Fruit Bowl
Pumpkin Pie
Frosted Christmas Cookies
Spritz Cookies
Holiday Nugget Cookies*

Memory Boxes:

Always a perfect time to start on memory boxes! You have plenty of time to get creative and paint them. Please bring your painted and varnished memory boxes to our February meeting next year. I have several boxes available. Thank you to everyone who has participated in painting these memory boxes for the families who have lost their children.
- Mary Rankin mary_ran@msn.com

Shriners Donations:

Will be collecting boxes for Shriners in February 2026. Crayons, coloring books and stickers are needed. Thanks!
- Georgia

Christmas Brunch Ornament Exchange:

Don't forget, if you want to participate in the Ornament Exchange, bring a handmade, wrapped ornament!

Raindrop Meeting Minutes:

Raindrop Meeting Minutes were not received in time for the Newsletter. They will be on the website after we receive them. Thank you for your patients.

2025 SECRET CHRISTMAS GIFT EXCHANGE FOR ALL MEMBERS WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE:

We are going to have a Secret Christmas Gift exchange this year!

Two rules:

- 1.) Send your name to Cheryl by November 20th and Cheryl will send you your Secret Sister - ponygirlcl@yahoo.com
- 2.) Then send your gift, in the mail by December 15th!

2026 Membership Renewal:

Time to renew your membership to join in all the fun next year. Hop online to fill out the membership form and pay with PayPal. Alternatively, you can fill out the form attached to this newsletter, make a check payable to Raindrops, and mail it to me at 5702 NE Prescott St, #24, Portland, OR 97218.
- Camille Membership Chair

*If you have an announcement you would like to make or there is any member you would like to send a Thank You too, in our next Newsletter, please contact:
raindropeditor@gmail.com*

Raindrop Budget

	Total	Budget 2025	Notes	Budget 2026	Notes
REVENUE					
Interest Earned from Saving	\$ 2.38	\$ 5.00		\$ 5.00	
Interest Earned from CD's				TBD	Need to invest
Membership-Dues	\$ 641.25	\$ 1,700.00		\$ 1,500.00	
Newsletter Advertising	\$ 15.00			\$ 15.00	
Seminars	\$ 1,351.33	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 4,000.00	2-live Teachers only
Special Events-Fundraising	\$ 40.00	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 2,049.96	\$ 3,305.00		\$ 5,620.00	
EXPENDITUES					
Banking-Fees& Services Charges	\$ 40.00			\$ 40.00	
Banking-Paypal Fees	\$ 69.33	\$ 200.00		\$ 125.00	
Board Expenses	\$ 20.00	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
Donations	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00		\$ 300.00	Adopt a family
Insurance	\$ 279.00	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	
Licenses and Permits	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	
Meeting-Facilities Costs	\$ 375.00	\$ 625.00		\$ 1,125.00	teachers 2 days each @ 125.00 day
Meeting-Other	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00		TBD	Gift Cert?
Meeting-Teacher Fees	\$ 600.00	\$ 750.00		\$ 750.00	
Office-Supplies/Equipment	\$ 68.12	\$125.00		\$ 825.00	
Professional Fees-Accounting	\$ 342.00	\$750.00		\$ 700.00	
Professional Fees-Legal	\$ 2,250.00			\$ -	
Seminars-Teacher Fees	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 5,000.00	2 live teachers expense
Special Events-Brunch	\$ 30.00	\$ 1,200.00		\$ -	No restaurant being used/use church
Special Events-Other	\$ 468.54	\$ 500.00		\$ 1,300.00	Christmas , tea and lunches 4 live tchers
Subscriptions-Accounting	\$ 248.00	420.00		\$ 492.00	
Total Expenditures	\$ 6,639.99	\$ 6,870.00		\$ 11,107.00	
NET REVENUE	\$ (4,566.45)				

ATTENTION:

Please go to: www.surveypal.com

Click on Login -

Enter email - presidentraindrop@gmail.com

(password: populates)

Click on Raindrop 2026 Budget

then click on Multiple choice to the right.

Make your choice.

Thank you!

RAINDROP 2025 VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

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NOMINATIONS	OPEN	OPEN

**2026 RAINDROP VOLUNTEER POSITIONS LIST WILL BE IN NEXT YEARS
FEBRURARY NEWSLETTER**



Raindrop Decorative Painters

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

www.portlandraindrops.org

DATE _____ NEW MEMBER _____ RENEWAL _____

LAST NAME _____ ARTIST DESIGNATION _____

FIRST NAME _____ TDA, CDA, MDA etc

BUSINESS NAME _____ WEBSITE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

BIRTHDAY (MONTH / DAY) _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:

STANDARD MEMBER \$20 _____ BUSINESS \$25 _____ SPONSOR \$30 _____

Hardcopies of the Membership Directory are available for \$5.00 each.

Hardcopies of the Newsletters mailed to you are \$20.00 for the year.

If you wish to use either of these options please add to your total.

Newsletters are sent electronically, please make sure your email is correct.

If you are unable to view online, please email raindropnews@gmail.com

Membership fees are for the current year if received prior to October 1st. After Oct 1st, dues are processed for the following calendar year. Dues are not prorated.

Make checks payable to Raindrop Decorative Painters

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR:

Camille McDaniel
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CINNAMON ROLL APPLE PIE

This is the Holiday pie no one will expect and everyone will love! Especially the cook, since it's just six ingredients. You're almost required to eat a leftover slice for a sweet breakfast!

(Recipe copied from: <https://www.thepioneerwoman.com/food-cooking/recipes/a62919727/cinnamon-roll-apple-pie-recipe>)

Ingredients

2 (17.5-oz.) tubes refrigerated cinnamon rolls, such as Pillsbury Grands! Cinnamon Rolls with Cinnabon Cream Cheese Icing

3 Tbsp. all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting

6 small apples, peeled, cored, and thinly sliced (about 1 1/2 pounds)

1/2 cup sugar

1 tsp. apple pie spice or pumpkin pie spice

2 Tbsp. salted butter, cut into small pieces



Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Place a baking sheet in the center rack of the oven.
2. Open up the tubes of cinnamon rolls but do not separate the dough. Reserve the glaze. Using a serrated knife, slice the rolls into 1/4-inch-thick slices (you'll be cutting each roll into thirds crosswise). You should have 28 to 30 rounds.
3. Place a round in the center of a lightly floured piece of parchment paper. Arrange 6 to 8 rolls in a close circle around the center to form a 7- to 8-inch circle (it will resemble a flower). Cut 3 to 4 cinnamon rolls in half and use them to fill any spaces on the outer rim of the circle to form a 9-inch round. Lightly dust with more flour, cover with another sheet of parchment paper, and gently roll the dough into an 11-inch round.
4. Use the parchment paper to carefully invert the cinnamon roll crust into the bottom of a 9-inch pie plate (not deep dish). Repeat the arranging process with the remaining pieces of dough and roll out into a 10-inch round. You may have some dough leftover (see tip).
5. In a large bowl, toss the apples with the sugar, apple pie spice, and flour. Spoon the apples into the cinnamon roll crust and dot with butter pieces. Invert the second cinnamon roll crust over the apples, pinching to seal any gaps between cinnamon rolls. Trim the top and bottom crusts to a 1/2-inch overhang. Fold both crusts up over the edge of the pie and pinch to seal.
6. Cut four 3-inch-wide strips of foil and cover the edges of the pie. Cut a 8-inch piece of foil and loosely tent the top of the pie. Bake on the center rack for 45 minutes. Remove the foil square from the top, keeping the edges covered, and continue to bake until the crust is golden brown, 20 to 25 minutes more.
7. Let the pie cool for 10 minutes. Then spread with as much of the reserved glaze as you like (you may not use it all). Let the pie cool at least 1 hour before serving.

Tip: Don't throw those cinnamon roll scraps away! They make amazing little "cookies." Place any scraps on a parchment-lined baking sheet and bake them at 350°F for 10 to 12 minutes until golden brown. Drizzle them with some of the remaining glaze.

Pacific Decorative Painters Expo

Portland, Oregon

FEATURING:

Linda O'Connell &
Jamie Mills-Price



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Our Meetings are held the
1st Saturday of February, April, June,
August, & October with our Christmas
 Brunch in **December.**

Our Meetings and Classes are now In
 Person & on Zoom! Meetings start at
9:30 a.m. and classes start at **11 a.m.**

We welcome Members &
 Non-Members to paint with us!

NEW 2026 MEETINGS & EVENTS COMING SOON!

We will have Tracy Moreau and Sandy McTier.
 Both teach techniques!

Look for many more fun classes and events next year!



Milwaukie Lutheran Church
3810 SE Lake Rd.,
Milwaukie, OR 97222

Directions from I-205:

Take Exit 13 off I-205 heading toward
 HWY 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.



What to Bring to the December meeting:

1. Air Can for making Christmas Ornaments
2. Your Dish for the Christmas Brunch
3. Wrapped Ornament for Ornament Exchange
4. Treasure Box or Memory Box, if You Have Any to Bring
5. Your Cheeriest Self! Because It's the Hap-Happiest Season of All!

