



The Raindrop Patter

Newsletter for Decorative Painters



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"Welcome to the **Pumpkin Patch**"
Taught by Judy Meiorow.
Tualatin Union Hall
September 15, 2012 9:30 - 4
Brown bag lunch

Market Place.....

To be held October 6th at the Milwaukie Lutheran Church after the General Meeting. Sounds like fun, don't you think! AND for just \$10 a table you can sell some of your stash – painted, unpainted and/or whatever else you may find. Interested? Well, just put that check (made out to Raindrops) in the mail (to me) and I will reserve you a place.

Now, the best part is that you can even shop for more stuff for yourself. You know the saying: "She who has the most WINS."

Brown Bag Lunch at the Church.
Meeting starts at 10 a.m.





A Few Words From the President...



September is just a whisper away and will be here by the time you are reading this.....

I for one am hoping for some warm & lovely weather during this next month and beginning of our fall season. Also hope to see many of you at the Seattle convention. I would like to ask for your help with our Raindrop Booth on the Northwest Toolinners trade floor to promote our convention in 2013! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS for helping at the booth to talk with painters & sign them up for our drawings (we will let you sign up too) and we will be taking names so that 2 lucky painters will win paid registration cost for our upcoming convention at the Holiday Inn here in Portland. Winners will be announced at the show. If you are not going to attend or even if you are attending we could also use a few more painted umbrella's which we use to decorate the booth and then give away ~ I would love to hear from those of you who can help us out – we will give you chocolate . Please contact Debbie Gill or myself.

A big thank you to Ronnie Bringle for the 2 wonderful classes we had with her in August. We did have some hot weather but we kept right on painting and with Jo Sonja paints it kind of worked in our favor!! Georgia once again (and this was the last event that will end her tour as education chair) did a great job so "hats off" for this event & her 3 year run.

At our October meeting we will be doing our annual election for board positions and need volunteers for vice-president / president elect. Judy Meirow had to rescind her offer to run for that position. Please think about running and realize that we need a leader. This year has been difficult in some respects & so very rewarding in many others. The board positions are not difficult if we all just go back to the basic standing rules & by laws. By each member following those we stand united and can enjoy the friendships, chapter growth and love of painting. So I ask you please to consider how you can help. Perhaps it might be by inspiring another who you feel would do a good job in a leadership position or you yourself would like to try but are not sure of your skills. There are many of us to help you, so please know you are not alone. Talk with people who are positive in their outlook & not those who are negative and prefer to talk down about others. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to express my feelings.

In ending my note I would like to remind everyone to please bring a nonperishable food item for the woman's shelter.

Happy Fall Painting ~ Pam

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Here it is September! Where did the Summer go? It went so fast – except for those few days that I am sure we thought would never end – the heat rattled our brains. And it was one of ‘those’ days that Marian Van Domelen did a superb job teaching at our August Paint-in. For those who “say” they dislike ‘strokework’ so much, I have never seen so many – stroke so fast – and do such a wonderful job of it! It must have been the heat! Naw! It was Marian taking us through the design, one stroke at a time. Thank you, Marian, for your time and talents. For those who were unable to attend – or those who did not take notes – you can get the complete instructional packet through Distinctive Brushstrokes, “Russian Strokework Floral Address Book #106.

Just in time for Fall, Judy Meiorow will be teaching Terrye French’s design “Welcome to the Pumpkin Patch”. The special Paint-in will be September 15th at the Tualatin Union Hall from 9:30ish – 4:00 and we will be brown bagging it. There is still time for you to sign up: \$4 and checks should be made out to Judy Meiorow (the design area is about 9”x12”). Look forward to seeing you then.

I am a very organized person – usually. At least that is (a) what Katrina keeps telling everyone, or (b) it was in a former life. What I do know is that I am so “organized” that I cannot find a thing! All I am trying to say is that I am almost afraid to open my closet of stash. Okay – forget ‘almost’; I AM terrified of what I will find. What to do? What to do? Hmmm. I hear tell there is this thing called *Market Place* to be held October 6th at the Milwaukie Lutheran Church after the General Meeting. Sounds like fun, don’t you think! AND for just \$10 a table you can sell some of your stash – painted, unpainted and/or whatever else you may find. Interested? Well, just put that check (made out to Raindrops) in the mail (to me) and I will reserve you a place. Now, the best part is that you can even shop for more stuff for yourself. You know the saying: “She who has the most WINS.”

Now, comes November 3rd! Once again we have the opportunity to paint with Sue Scheewe, a new watercolor design titled “Winter Wonderland”. She will also include a greeting card for an extra project “Season’s Greetings”. The cost for this class is \$16 (checks made out to Sue Scheewe) and it includes 14”x20” watercolor paper, paints, wax-free graphite and extra greeting card. There is no prep except to trace the pattern onto tracing paper and basic painting supplies will be needed. All of this information will be available at the October meeting. So sign up now to reserve your seat.

That’s all for now – I am done. See you when I see you.

Rayma

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RAINDROP CHAPTER MEETING

Minutes – 8-4-12

Call to order and introductions: 10:08 a.m. 29 members are present at this meeting and a quorum is declared.

President Pam Murphy announced the board is researching the purchase of a laptop computer and software for use by the chapter and for convention. This would probably include Microsoft Office Suite and QuickBooks for small businesses. The estimated cost would be around \$1,000. **Motion made by Joan Porter, seconded by Lisa Ludwig, to allocate \$1,000 for purchase of a laptop computer and bookkeeping software. Motion passed unanimously.**

Vice President Report: Rayma Stewart announced Judy Meirow will be teaching a “Pumpkin Patch” class in acrylics September 15 at the Union Hall in Tualatin. The project surface will cost \$10.00. Sue Scheewe will teach our November paint-in. Our Christmas Brunch will take place December 1. Dottie Hole, Sally Jacklin, and Rosey Johnson, and Charmaine Bannister volunteered to decorate the tables for the Christmas Brunch. Rayma is researching a group trip to a Broadway show for our June field trip.

Secretary’s Report: Nancy Baur announced that email blasts should only be used for emergency notifications. The Website is being updated and the new one should be online and functional by the end of August. **Motion made by Susan Maahs, seconded by Linda Finicle, to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2012 meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter. Motion passed unanimously.**

Treasurer’s Report: Doris Beck reported current bank balances as follows: Chapter Checking - \$17,401.56; Certificate of Deposit #1 - \$4,247.72; CD #2 - \$14,797.89; CD #3 - \$26,013.85. Total balance on hand is \$62,461.02.

Past President: Debbie Gill asked for volunteers to help with our chapter booth at the 2012 Seattle convention. We also need volunteers to paint umbrellas.

Newsletter: Lupe Vasquez-Lewis announced the newsletter deadline is August 15.

Education: Terry Banton announced the August 17 and 18 seminar with Ronnie Bringle is full, and the location has been changed to the American Legion hall in Aurora. Bev Birdwell’s watercolor/water soluble oils class was successful. April 19 and 20, 2013 Brenda Stewart will be teaching a seminar. We are negotiating with Mary Gibilisco for a 2014 seminar.

Membership: Joan Porter announced our current membership is 126.

Sunshine Lady: Joan Porter announced that Connie Mott’s mother passed away. Please send a card to Connie.

Nominating: Susan Maahs reported that Judy Elam will run for Treasurer. Susan asked for help with calling members to see if they are willing to serve as officers. Ballots will be printed for the October 6, meeting.

Ways and Means: Stephanie Graiff announced raffle tickets are available for some nice prizes. Carla Stark’s teaching demo board, and a beautiful box painted by Laura Elligson will be raffled off at our December Christmas Brunch. Joan Porter brought some free items left from the two estates to distribute to members.

Memory Boxes: Charmaine Bannister will look into getting the paper mache boxes wholesale. We can also purchase our own at craft stores.

Women’s Shelter: We should consider purchasing personal toiletry items to send.

Secret Pals: Gifts were distributed.

Birthday cards and cake were distributed to the August birthday board members by Debbie Gill, who is the one board member whose birthday doesn’t fall in August. Thank you Debbie for the kind gesture!

New Business: Judy Elam has agreed to be our Convention Treasurer for the 2013 convention. Monica Bayness will serve as Registration Chair.

Chapter Budget: Motion made by Jeanine Maurer, seconded by Joan Porter, to approve the 2013 convention budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Baur, Secretary

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Elections are coming to the next Raindrops meeting and we have no one wanting to run for Vice President/President elect. If you have the slightest idea of running, give me a call (360-673-4038). We can talk it over and those few questions or fears can be resolved to help you decide either way. It is a very rewarding office.

Nancy Baur has put her name on the ballot for Secretary again and Judy Elam has put her name on for Treasurer. She has a bookkeeping background and a former small business owner.

Anyone else interested in an office, please let me know. Most of you should have been called by now. Sometimes that will jog you into thinking you might want to go for it. Pick an office or chairmanship you feel you could help the new president with and let us know. It's hard to get out of that chair, but make the first step and call or draft an idea. Any idea to help our chapter is always happily accepted. I expect to hear from you to volunteer for some kind of chairmanship or just to be on a committee.

Thanks, Susan-673-4038

Raindrop Chapter Financials
July 1-31, 2012

Beginning Balance	\$63,242.52
Income	198.68
Subtotal	63,441.20
Expenses	936.50
Ending Balance	\$62,504.70

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**Coast to the Cascades invites you to our
ANNUAL RETREAT**

October 12th - 14th
Aldersgate, Turner OR



OLD WORLD STILL LIFE

**2 Nights, 2 Days painting, 6
meals & loads of fun.**

**If you are interested, please
contact GEORGIA
MAGARRELL @**

GEORROG@AOL.COM

or 503-975-9447

For the Women's Shelter:

I would like the next meeting to be:

One can of food or other non-perishable food item.

The guidelines are basically this:

1. *New or very gently used items.*
2. *No past expiration date items.*

Cleo B. Clark-Chase





Important Dates to Remember.....

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September Birthdays:

Cheri Lockart – September 6
Charmaine Bannister – September 11
Betty Jean Kendall – September 11
Melinda Dickson – September 17
Cheryl Banworth – September 18
Jennifer Karsten – September 20
Maxine Thomas – September 20
Bonnie Rosatti – September 21
Marlene Roth – September 25

October Birthdays:

Judy Swanson – October 11
Teresa Kuchler – October 13
Mary Jo Stanbro – October 19
Micki Labs – October 22
Cherrie Kenna – October 27
Bev Birdwell – October 27
Linda Bourland – October 28
Marietta Biekn – October 29
Katrina Petersen – October 31

September 15

Welcome to the Pumpkin Patch with
Judy Meirow at
Union Hall
9:30 - 4:00

September 26

Board Meeting at Bauer Home 5:30

October 6

General Meeting @ 10
followed by Marketplace
Milwaukie Lutheran Church

November 3

Winter Wonderland with
Sue Scheewe
9:30 (location to be determined)

December 1

Christmas Brunch
at Red Lion on the Columbia

**Don't Forget to provide a snack or door
prize at the October Meeting!**

Dear Secret Pal,

The tiny cards and this and that you have blessed me with is much appreciated. Thank-you for being so good to me,

God Bless you,
Bobbie Baugher

Dear Raindrops,

Thank you, everyone, for the cards & notes this past year for my hip surgery. I just want to let you know how much I appreciated and cherished the women in my life. You have made an uncomfortable situation much easier.

Thanks again,
Katrina Peterson

Dear Secret Pal:

I do love wind chimes! The bamboo has such a different sound. I have been wanting to try one of the baking bags since seeing them at the Sandy Mtn. Festival. Can't wait to try it out. Did you paint the book box? Loved everything.

Thank you.

Hugs, Joan Porter

To my wonderful secret pal ~

I want to meet up with you !! Thanks so much for the many wonderful gifts - I cannot begin to tell you how much I have used the great potato bag, love it. But the very best has been the thoughtful notes ~ they have come to me at just the right time's. From my heart many thanks & smiles ~ Pam Murphy

Paid Advertisement

*Come join the fun
November 8th - 10th from 9am - 6pm
& Sunday November 11th from 10am - 4pm*

*Santa Claus Pictures
Saturday & Sunday 1pm - 3pm*



CRAFTERS AT HEART

Presents....

a seasonal vintage craft sale with items for you and your home, the right place to find a one-of-kind hand crafted items. Free gifts to the first 100 friends!



CRAFTERS AT HEART
9762 PENNSTAR LANE
AURORA, OR 97002
503-969-6233
503-310-1502

- ★ I-5 Exit 278 Donald -Aurora
- ★ Turn West on Ehlen Road toward Donald.
- ★ Appox 3 miles turn left on Olmstead Road
- ★ Left on Pennstar Lane

LOOK FOR THE SIGNS!

FROM JOAN PORTER (Membership):

Update your Directory and Welcome new member:

Swanson, Judy
(Will read newsletter online)
4847 SE Arden St.
Milwaukie, OR 97222
(206) 276-5053
E-mail: JUDITH.SWANSON@comcast.net
BD: 10/11 SDP#84480

Moore, Sharon
(mail newsletter)
454 SW Riverbend Dr.
West Linn, OR 97068
(503) 656-2815
E-mail: SHARONANDGLENMOORE@yahoo.com
BD: 08/08 SDP#143075

Renewing Member: Bannister, Charmaine
(Will read newsletter online)
20125 S Ford Ct.
Oregon City, OR 97045
(503) 542-7646
E-mail: bls;+w@ccgmail.net
BD: 09/11 SDP#13817



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Come one, come all to a fabulous weekend of great friendship with your painting sisters, food and of coarse wonderful painting projects. We are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, March 22nd and 23rd 2013. You may choose to come for one or two nights. We will be painting Friday evening with the very talented Judy Mierow with a few new and fun techniques (pictures to come). A full day project on Saturday and about a 5-6 hour class on Sunday (teachers to be announced). The plans are already in the works for a fantastic weekend of fun so please plan on joining us at the Collins Retreat Center in Eagle Creek, Or. (same as the last two years).

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

One night and 4 meals for a double will cost \$116.75 One night and 4 meals for a triple will cost \$ 96.75 Two nights and 6 meals for a double will cost \$180.00 Two nights and 6 meals for a triple will cost \$140.00

2013 PAINT A SEASON OF MEMORIES CONVENTION

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	MAY	2012 Y-T-D	2012-2013 BUDGET	ACTUAL
<u>BANKING</u>					
CHECKING	BANK OF THE WEST		11,228.86		
SAVINGS	BANK OF THE WEST		10,167.97		
CD					
DEPOSIT	HOLIDAY INN DEPOSIT 2013	paid 500.00			
<u>INCOME</u>					
CLASS	SURFACE FEES			20,000.00	
CLASS	CLASS SALES			18,000.00	
EXHIB	EXHIBIT SALES			12,000.00	
EXHIB	EXHIBITOR DEPOSITS FOR 2013			1,100.00	
REGIS	REGISTRATION BOOKS & PKG. CHECK			150.00	
PROGRAM	PROGRAM ADVERTISING			200.00	
REGIS	REGISTRATION / BANQUET			22,000.00	
RAFFLE	INCOME / WAYS & MEANS			500.00	
INTEREST	INCOME			50.00	
	<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>			74,000.00	

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2013 PAINT A SEASON OF MEMORIES CONVENTION
(continued)

<u>EXPENSE</u>		
ADVERTISE	PUBLICITY	4,000.00
ADMIN	SUPPLIES	600.00
ADMIN	PRINTING PROGRAM	300.00
ADMIN	PRINTING / OTHER	40.00
ADMIN	POSTAGE	150.00
ADMIN	HOTEL / ROOMS & CLASSROOMS	400.00
ADMIN	REFRESHMENTS FOR AM VENDORS	475.00
ADMIN	STUDENT/TEACHER ART SHOW	300.00
ADMIN	PREVIEW NIGHT / FOOD	2,000.00
ADMIN	STORAGE FACILITY - 2 YEARS	450.00
ADMIN	MISC. EXPENSE	150.00
ADMIN	CLASS SALES	0.00
CLASS	CLASS SALES REFUNDS	0.00
CLASS	TEACHERS FEES	16,750.00
CLASS	CLASSROOM SET-UP	150.00
CLASS	SURFACE FEES	20,000.00
EXHIB	BOOTH EXPENSE	6,250.00
EXHIB	SECURITY EXPENSE	0.00
EXHIB	PRINT FLYERS	150.00
EXHIB	MISC. EXPENSE	0.00
REGIS	PRINT REGISTRATION BOOK @ 3000	6,000.00
REGIS	BANQUET	7,500.00
REGIS	TABLE DECORATIONS	500.00
REGIS	NAME TAGS	275.00
REGIS	POSTAGE -REGISTRATION BOOK	1,500.00
REGIS	ART SIGNAGE	250.00
RAFFLES	EARNED INCOME TO CHAPTER	500.00
INS	INSURANCE	300.00
	<u>TOTAL EXPENSE</u>	68,990.00
	 <u>NET PROFIT</u>	 5,010.00



For Oil Painters:

Here's a **TIP** I learned from Bev Birdwell at a seminar I took from her at Art's Desire, painting one giant sunflower on a canvas.

Some of you know that I paint with water soluble oils but this tip goes for all oil paint.

When you are in a hurry to have your work dry, simply turn your oven on to 250 degrees. When it comes to the 250, **turn the oven off**.

Place your canvas or oil project in the oven that's **off** and close the door.

In the morning, it will be dry. If not try again for a couple of hour, repeating if needed.

It really works! Lupe



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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.)

Painting time usually starts at 9 a.m., depending on the teacher. Lunches are usually potluck.



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