



The Raindrop Patter

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WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR
WITH FACE PAINTING....no
not your own!



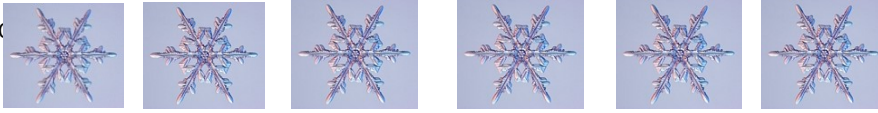
Let's start out our New Year having some fun with great instructional teaching by Jeanine Maurer. We will be doing a wonderful face study. Contact Betty Jean Kendall if you plan to attend. The class is FREE to all members.

February 7th—Milwaukie Church

Board meeting—8:30



WELCOME TO OUR 2015 BOARD MEMBERS!!!!



President's Page- 2015

Happy New Year to all of you and I hope you had a great Merry Christmas

We closed out 2014 with a Bang!! Three fabulous event's this year not to mention our own Chapter teachers. February with Mary Gibilisco, April with Brenda Stewart and October with Mary Wiseman. Plus the Retreat in the middle. Wow!!

The Christmas Brunch was exceptional and the table decorations exquisite. Thanks to all who took on the job of decorating the tables for us. We always enjoy the wonderful ideas our chapter members come up with for the decorations. Keep in mind that the table decorations for this 2015 year will be at the Convention. With "A Season of Memories" as our theme, we can have it all. A meeting for all those who are volunteering will be coming, so look for that.

Thank you so much Dinky Davis for presenting the Installation this year. How fun that was.

CONGRATULATIONS **Rosey, Sally and Dottie** for the Stan Brown Award. You all deserve it!! Your combined years of service and dedication have been so appreciated over the years, I think we are overdue in telling you. All those painted Banquet tables, the Retreat ornaments, the conventions.....from the bottom of our hearts, Thank you so much. **Judy Elam**, it was such a pleasure to present you with the Chapter Commended Service Award. Your years of being our Treasurer have been so appreciated. That job is made easier for those coming behind you "because" of you. It is a hard job and we thank you so much.

The Chapter Appreciation award went to two members this year. **Debbie Gill** and **Monica Bayness**. Monica has been the one person that has drug our chapter (kicking and screaming, I might add) into the 21st century. Nope, we will not be left behind, because of her.....some of us may not understand this computer technology but we're learning because of people like Monica that have the patience to teach us. Thank you Monica, we are so lucky to have you as a member!! And....Debbie, your voice on our behalf with the Union Hall is beyond the call of duty. We cannot thank you enough for scheduling our seminars at the Union Hall along with some chapter meetings. Again, Thank you so much.

Last but certainly not least, The Outstanding Member Award. The only person to serve four years as Raindrop Chapter President to date**Terry Banton**. Terry, all these years of Officer Service is absolutely amazing. (are you nuts? lol) We do thank you Terry, so very much for volunteering when others could not. (I will take that plate painted by Becky from you anytime. Naw...you earned it.....)

What a wonderful Banquet to have so much going on.

Charities - I know we all give so much to our chapter and our charities. Thank you Charmaine for your dedicated service to the Homeless Shelters on our behalf. We will continue this wonderful chapter service with Marsha Holte as chairman. Thanks so much.

Helga and Dinky, how wonderful it is that you are transporting so many memory boxes this year. This means people like Charmaine are painting up a storm. It's such a worthy cause that touches the hearts of so many parents. I could not help choke up while reading that wonderful letter this year. Thank you!

I guess I am going to run out of paper here, but I THANK YOU ALL for volunteering to chair committees again this coming year. We only need WAYS AND MEANS.....that's fantastic. Dinky said she would do it, but she is already stretching her arms way out there. So will someone help her....she will guide you.

Last but certainly not least on the thank you list is for LUPE!! We will miss you girl. Please do not stay away long.

Next on the agenda will be our February class with Jeanine Mauer. DON'T MISS IT!!

KEEP SMILING.....we have so much to be thankful for

Geo

CHRISTMAS
BRUNCH
2014

RED LION—
JANZTEN BEACH



For larger
photos see
website.



VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Welcome to the New Year! Ready or not we are about to enter a new set of exciting steps in our daily challenges and of learning new painting techniques.

The buffet was so much fun for me and I hope you enjoyed it too! I never did figure out the correct person who had my name as secret pal and it was so fun to finally meet her. The gift exchange went well and we got to see such good ideas from each of you. The awards are so well deserved, to all who put your time and energy into Raindrops for all of us. A big THANK YOU to you all.

This year I will be trying to remember to do all the things I am elected to do and with the help of each of you we will make this a great year. What a nice installation we had. There are many great teachers lined up to learn from and----there is also convention! I hope you all take the time to come and be a part of such a fun time with each other. Many hand makes for more fun and less work for everyone.

The February meet brings us a great opportunity to hone our skills with Jeanine Maurer

RAINDROP 2015 CALENDAR

<p>JANUARY 15th Convention Meeting 6:00 PM</p>  <p>Meeting—Milwaukie Church</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 7th Jeanine Maurer</p>  <p>Meeting—Milwaukie Church Board Meeting—8:30</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 19th Convention Meeting 6:00 PM</p>  <p>Meeting—Milwaukie Church</p>
<p>MARCH 27th—29th Raindrop Retreat Featuring Jamie Mills</p>  <p>Collins Retreat Center</p>	<p>APRIL 4th Georgia Magarrell</p>  <p>Meeting - Union Hall, Tualatin Board Meeting—8:30</p>	<p>MAY 11th-16th SDP CONFERENCE</p>  <p>Chicago</p>
<p>JUNE 6th Karen Hubbard</p>  <p>Meeting - Union Hall - Tualatin Board Meeting - 8:30</p>	<p>JUNE 12th-14th Sherry Nelson Seminar</p>  <p>Union Hall—Tualatin Class begins—9:00</p>	<p>AUGUST 1st Judy Mierow</p>  <p>Meeting - Union Hall Board Meeting 8:30</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 16th—20th Raindrop Chapter Convention Featuring Special events with JoSonja, Jamie Mills and Prudy Vannier</p>  <p>Meeting—Milwaukie Church Board Meeting—5:30</p>	<p>OCTOBER 3rd Lucy Gertscher</p>  <p>Meeting—Milwaukie Church Board Meeting—5:30</p>	<p>DECEMBER 5th Annual Christmas Brunch</p> 

RAFFLE ITEMS TO EARN MONEY FOR BETTY JEANS PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

THESE TWO ITEMS WILL BE RAFFLED OFF AT OUR FEBURARY MEETING ~ THEY ARE BOTH PAINTED BY ORIGINAL ARTIST'S. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT

TO WIN (BUT IF NOT LOCAL YOU MUST PAY SHIPPING COSTS) RAFFLE TICKETS ARE \$1.00 EACH OR 6 FOR \$5.00. TO BUY BY MAIL SEND MONEY AND A ADDRESS

LABEL FOR EACH TICKET YOU WISH TO BUY AND A NOTE TO LET ME KNOW WHICH ITEM TO PLACE YOUR TICKETS IN FOR THE DRAWING. SEND TO PAM MURPHY

14460 SE 142ND AVE CLACKAMAS OR 97015. THANKS FOR SUPPORTING OUR NEW VICE PRESIDENT / PRESIDENT ELECT



Library Corner

Hi Members,

For those of you who were not at the last meeting, I would like to have a couple of other binders be part of the library with non-convention pattern packets. So I am looking for pattern packets that members no longer are using of you would be willing to donate them to the library. If you do just bring them to the next meeting and I will start working on new binders.

Dinky



THE RAINDROP PATTERN



What a wonderful holiday Brunch! Many thanks go to Georgia and her whole crew of decorators that made the tables so magical. Thank you so much for my gift of the wonderful painted platter by Becky Albeke. You have spoiled me Becky! I am so grateful for all the chapters support and thoughtfulness throughout the last two years. Be sure to bring guests to the next meeting to learn how to paint faces. Invite your friends you paint with or your students. I can't wait for such a fun class with Jeanine Maurer. Don't forget to renew your membership and invite others to join! All my love, Terry Banton



I would like to say how wonderful the Christmas brunch was and it is so nice to meet our new board. I think they will be a positive group to work with. I also want to thank you for the awards you honored me with. I really appreciate the recognition and I want to thank all of you who work so hard to make our chapter a success. It takes all of us to make it a success.



I would like to thank my grand daughter, Ireland Gill, for the work she put in on the video/slide show. She helps me put it together every year and she helps me keep it running through the brunch. I am proud to say she a future Raindropper in training.

Hugs to all of you

~Debbie Gill~



Birthdays

January

- 1 Carol Thornberry
- 4 Carole Schroeder
- 4 Karen Hubbard
- 13 Dinky Davis
- 15 Ruth Kraxberger
- 21 Sally Jacklin
- 22 Terry Banton
- 22 Sue Scheewe-Brown
- 26 Jean Montgomery
- 30 Jane Smith

February

- 2 Delores Stewart
- 4 June Houck
- 9 Kathy Ownbey
- 9 Mary Kapp
- 12 Martha Croysdale
- 13 Carol Klett
- 13 Salojema Garolis
- 14 Patrice Nakagawa
- 17 Leslie Bossen

2014 –116 members

2015 –68 applications (inc. 4 new)

Deadline Jan. 15th membership renewal for inclusion in the directory!

Welcome New Members:

Teri Burke

Nancy Genetti

Janet Henry

June Skollingsberg

And returning members....

Salomeja Garolis

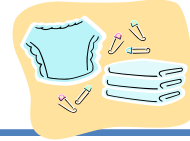
Connie Gunston



Women's Shelter –

As December was our luncheon month, we did not collect anything for the shelter. Please note though that they are in need of size 3 and 4 diapers. As I am handing over the responsibility to Marsha Holte please continue to be generous and helpful to her as you have been to me.

Thank you Marsha Holte for filling a very needed Position.



Painting Friends...

Greetings from Guam. It's Christmas morning and I want to tell you how much I enjoyed having you all here with me.

I received a very special gift (thank you miss Debbie) of a CD movie of all of you throughout the year painting, laughing and enjoying being together. I can hardly believe it has been 8 months since I had the privilege of painting with some of you at retreat. Those pictures, mixed in with tons of others, brought back such good memories. Do you know how lucky we are to have painting to bring us all together even half way around the world?

All of your projects throughout the year were beautiful...loved them...but mostly I loved that I know all of you in those pictures and how fun you are to be with. I hope with all your efforts that the Portland Convention is a great success...it will be here before we know it.

There have been some interesting experiences here on the island. Our Christmas party was complete with a roast pig on banana leaves. The people are warm and friendly and the culture is very laid back...have I mentioned it's HOT. I have been a wedding planner, a mother to lonely sailors, a painting teacher to wives who have deployed husbands and, hopefully, shared some of the friendliness and kindness you all have shown me. Keep on keepin' on girls, be kind to each other, share the love of painting and grow the chapter!

May you be blessed with good health and a new paint brush this new year.

Love you all tons,
Island Girl
(a.k.a. Sister Maxine Thomas)

HELP WANTED...ALL HANDS GREATLY APPRECIATED



Help Needed for 2015 Convention dinner table decor!

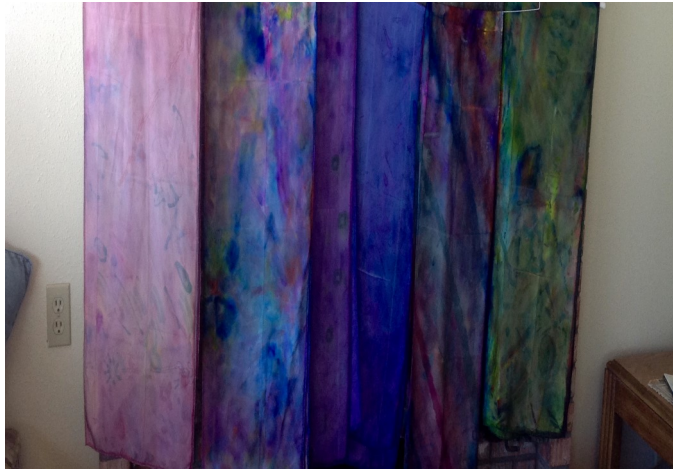
I need volunteers for our 2015 convention dinner table decor. You would be decorating a table like what we do at our Christmas brunch. You can decorate it any way you want with a season theme for 9 people per table. You would need a centerpiece and table favors of some kind. The chapter will give you \$30.00 to help offset the cost. Just let me know what season you will be doing. Contact me by email

TerryBanton@aol.com or by phone [503-803-6571](tel:503-803-6571). Thank you so much for your support!!! Terry

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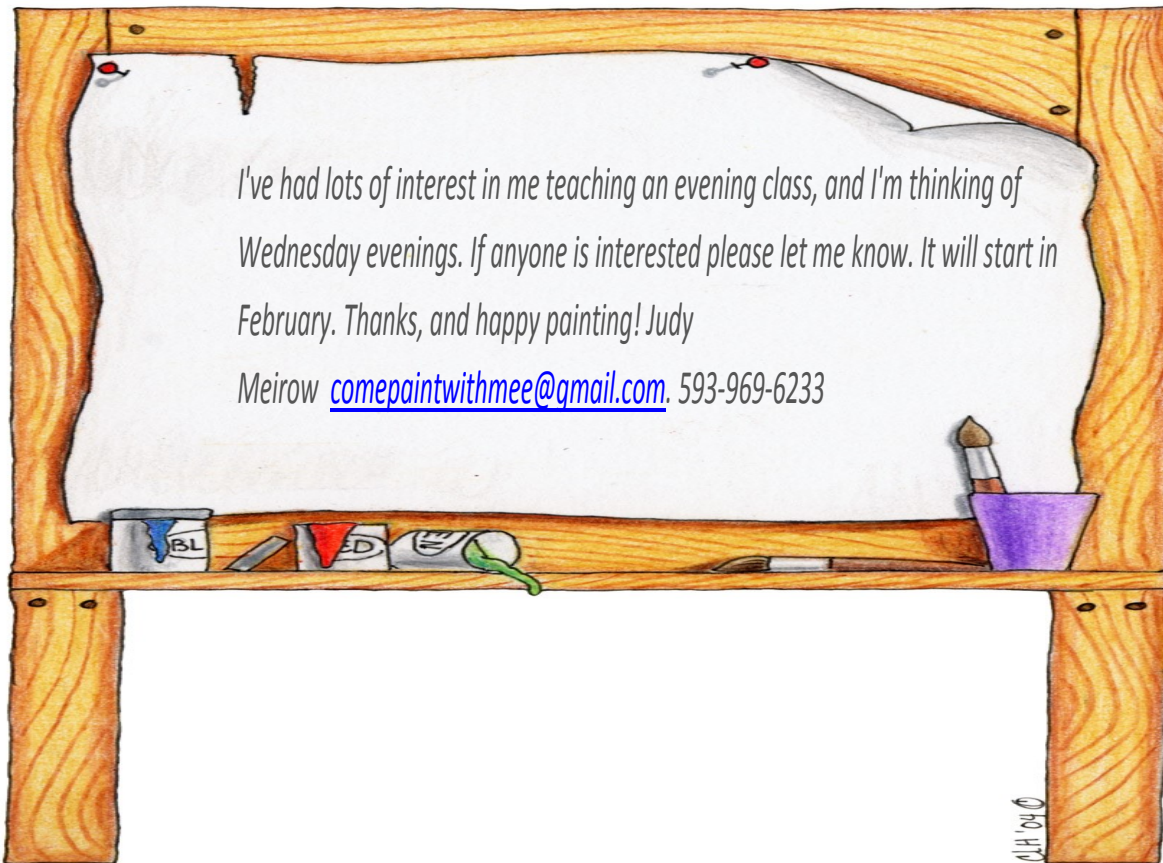
Retreat projects just in!!! I am so excited that on Friday evening being taught by our own talented Georgia Magarrell. She is teaching a totally new and easy technique of designing on a silk scarf. You will love this one and here are some examples from Georgia.



On Saturday we have the delightful Jamie Mills-Price teaching this adorable 8X10 snowman candle with new products and techniques. On Sunday we will have another of our very talented teachers from our Chapter Judy Meiorow teaching this snowman designed by Barb Jones. So cute and painted on a screen which you can frame, add to a purse or use as a wall hanging or flag. The scarfs are \$5.00 each, Jamie's cut out is \$13.50 plus shipping with a 30% discount if I order as a group by January 16th so I can get them to the February meeting and Judy can get the screens with pattern printed on it for \$7.50 which includes shipping. Judy needs to know by February meeting. You can however use any surface you would like for Saturday or Sunday



JUDY MEIROW



I've had lots of interest in me teaching an evening class, and I'm thinking of Wednesday evenings. If anyone is interested please let me know. It will start in February. Thanks, and happy painting! Judy

Meirow comepaintwithmee@gmail.com. 593-969-6233

Secret Pals: I finally remembered what I was trying to get at the meeting. I need to know who each of you drew. At times I need to get ahold of that person. Either email me at susanmaahs@ymail.com or call me. I will try to be at the next meeting. Hope everyone had a great Christmas. I'm looking forward to a promising New Year for all of us.

Thank you so much Helga for the beautiful Christmas bell you painted for Sally and me. We will treasure it always.

Also another big thank you to Terry Banton for the painting I won of yours. Such talented people we have in our chapter.

I treasure you all. Happy New Year. Charmaine Bannister

NEWSLETTER RATES:

Full Page \$25 Members / \$50 Non

1/2 Page \$15 Members / \$30 Non

1/4 Page \$8 Members / \$16 Non

1/8 Page \$5 Members / \$10 Non

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The Raindrop Chapter

See us on the WEB at: <http://www.raindropchapter.org>

AND on FACEBOOK listed as: The Raindrop Group

Retreat-Retreat-Retreat 2015!!!

Winter into Spring is our theme this year

Same great location at Collins Retreat Center

*The Dates are **Friday March 27th through Sunday March 29th 2015.***

*We have wonderful projects planned to paint for Friday night after dinner and we kick it up with **Jamie Mills-Price** for our main event on Saturday the 28th. She is always such a delight and is designing something special for us. Saturday evening after dinner is still in the fine-tuning stage but we promise to entertain you with fun activities. To cap it off on Sunday, Judy Meiorow will be teaching a piece with the chalk paint and a bit of mixed media. It is all fabulous fun in the making. Pictures will be coming soon.*

So please plan on coming to join us and hang out with all your painting sisters you have met in the Raindrop Chapter.

We also have great raffle items to help support the retreat such as an original from Lynn Andrews (donated by her at Convention), an original painting from Maxine Thomas (donated by Judy Meiorow), A Shara Riener design painted by Judy Meiorow. Just to mention a few.

Contact Debbie Gill at 503 292 2722, Diane Lien at 503 348 0497, or Judy Meiorow at 503 969 6233 for any further information. You can also email anyone of us. Mail registration form and check to: Debbie Gill, PO Box 83403, Portland OR 97229

Don't forget to list your roommates.

The fees are:

Two nights and 6 meals for 2 people will cost \$198.00 each person

Two nights and 6 meals for 3 people will cost \$158.00 each person

(We have 10 rooms that have a twin and a full bed if you can sleep double in the full that would work OR if you don't mind going up to the top bunk that would also work.) Otherwise you will want to sleep 2 to a room as you cannot sleep on the floor for safety reasons.

It may sound like a lot but when you break it down to hotel, yummy food, and great classes it is a sweet deal! Not to mention with all your painting sisters for the weekend.

Registration Form

Name: _____ Raindrop Number: _____

Roommates: _____

Amount sent in: _____

Special dietary instructions: _____

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

President	Georgia Magarrell	503-975-9447	georrog@aol.com
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Regional Convention Committee		EXPO	Executive Board

Special Committees:

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Raindrop Chapter Membership Application 2015

New Renewal (Please Circle One)

Last Name _____

First Name _____ (CDA, MDA or TDA)

Business Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ FAX: _____ - _____ - _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

Birthday: Month ____ Day: ____ SDP# _____ (SDP Membership is required)

Type of membership:

_____ Membership/Renewal: \$20.00 _____ Business: \$25.00 _____ Sponsor: \$30.00

Please indicate how you wish to receive your newsletter and/or membership directory:

NEWSLETTER: _____ Hard Copy via Postal Service, or _____ via email

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY: _____ Hard Copy via Postal Service, or _____ Read/Download from Web Site

Please make checks payable to: **RAINDROP CHAPTER**

Membership fees are for the current calendar year if received prior to September 1st.

After September 1st, dues are processed for the following calendar year. Dues are not prorated.

You must be a member in good standing of the **Society of Decorative Painters** to join the Raindrop Chapter.

Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment and this form if you wish to receive your membership card via Postal Service.

Otherwise, membership cards will be available at the next chapter meeting.

Please complete the above, and mail this application, along with your check to:

Joan Porter, Membership Chair

Phone: 503-666-6938

8326 SE 252nd Ave

email: ladytoler@aol.com

Gresham, OR 97080

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 97062

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.)

Meeting TIME STARTS AT 10 A.M. If there is only a PAINT-IN DEPENDING ON TEACHER, THEN IT STARTS AT 9 A.M.

LUNCHES ARE USUALLY POTLUCK



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