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The Raindrop Patter

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It is time to renew your Raindrops membership. We have wonderful paint-ins, seminars and a retreat planned for 2024. Please pay with PayPal on the Raindrops website -

[Join Us | Portland Raindrops.](#)

Or send a check to Camille McDaniel, Membership Chair at 5702 NE Prescott St. #24, Portland OR 97218. Be sure to fill out the membership form if you have any changes in your information. See you in 2024!

WE HAVE A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!

Do you love getting updates on latest painting ideas and seeing others art? Do you want to connect with other awesome people who share your interests? Then you should join our Facebook page! It's a fun and friendly community! Don't miss out on this opportunity to be part of something amazing. Join our [Portland Raindrops Facebook Page](#). It's easy, fun, and free!

JUST FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS:

1. Go to www.facebook.com and log in with your account. If you don't have one, create one. It's quick and painless, we promise.
2. In the search bar type "**raindropdecorativepainters**" Our slogan underneath will say; "Portland Raindrops is a group of artists who share a passion for painting."
3. Once you are on our Page, Click on the "**LIKE**" button or "**FOLLOW**" button. So you do not miss out!
4. Once you are in, feel free to like our posts, comment under posts, ask for feedback, give tips and tricks, or just chat with fellow painters. Be respectful, supportive, and creative! If you would like the Page to post anything in your behalf, please contact me at:
portlandraindropsfacebook@gmail.com

MERRY CHRISTMAS



\$20.00
PER MEMBER



\$30.00
PER GUEST

Sign up online
or send check
made payable
to Raindrops



Mail payment to:
Georgia Magarrell
2485 SW Giese Loop
Gresham OR 97080

9:00_{AM}
TO NOON



Pancakes ~ Waffles ~ Muffins
Homestyle Potatoes ~ Fresh Fruit
Scrambled Eggs ~ Biscuits & Gravy
Sausage Links ~ Bacon Strips

1230 NE Cleveland Ave, Gresham, OR 97030

PRESIDENT'S NOTE:



Hello Raindrops!

Thank you to all who voted for the new 2024 board and thank you to everyone who volunteered for various open positions. Your support and dedication mean so much to so many. YOU are special people doing incredible work.

Many of you signed up for the secret ornament exchange. I'll be sending out a last reminder so everyone gets their ornaments by December. Please take a moment to post a picture on our new Facebook page, once you're ornaments arrive!

Speaking of our new Facebook page – if you haven't yet checked it out, please do. Crystal did a wonderful job getting it just right! [https://
www.facebook.com/raindropdecorativepainters](https://www.facebook.com/raindropdecorativepainters)

After missing too many live meetings this year, I'm really looking forward to seeing many of you at our Christmas Breakfast on December 2nd. There will be opportunities to exchange ornaments and bid on special items just in time for Christmas gift giving. The table centerpieces will certainly be a lovely site to see as well.

Creative Blessings to all. It's been a great year.

Bobbie Redington – President 2023



Notes from
the VP



HAPPY 45TH

ANNIVERSARY RAINDROPS

The meeting of October 7th was Awesome!
Thank you Sandy Phillips, Jane Smith, Monica Bayness and Camille McDaniel (Our Teachers) for making our **45th Raindrop Anniversary such a hit!! The Bookmarker gifts were the Art of Monica Bayness! Thank you Monica.**

The Make-it-Take-Its were a hit!! We also got a new Vice President for 2024, Cheryl Ledford and a new Newsletter and Facebook Chair, Crystal Samuels. Please go and see what Crystal has already done.

Our Club is growing with 93 Members now and I know it's due to the fun and kindness everyone is showing. Keep on Growing!! Georgia

EDUCATION NEWS

12-2-2023—CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

HEIDI'S IN GRESHAM

Silent Auction for the Children at the Womens Shelter, Ornament Exchange, Gift for Everyone and Hand Painted Centerpieces..

2-3-2023—**First Live After-Meeting Teacher**

Becky Albeke—Watch for flyer

4-6-2024—**2nd Live After-Meeting Teacher**

Bobbie Redington-

5-4-2024—Holly Hanley—Seminar Zoom

9-7-2024—Beth Wagner—Seminar Zoom

After Meeting classes see Cheryl Ledford

Seminar Classes see Georgia Magarrell



Great successes in all MITI tables.

If you missed it you truly

missed out on some wonderful techniques.

Thank you Teachers Sandy Phillips who taught decoupage, Monica Bayness with an adorable magnet of Gaye Schoell design, Camille McDaniel

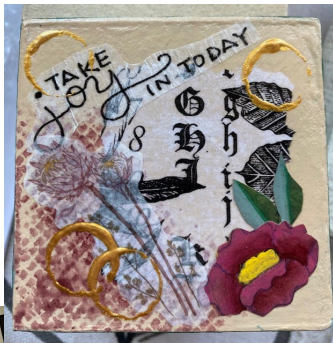
with a beautiful fall pumpkin and Jane Smith for her gourd chickens at one of the most fun events

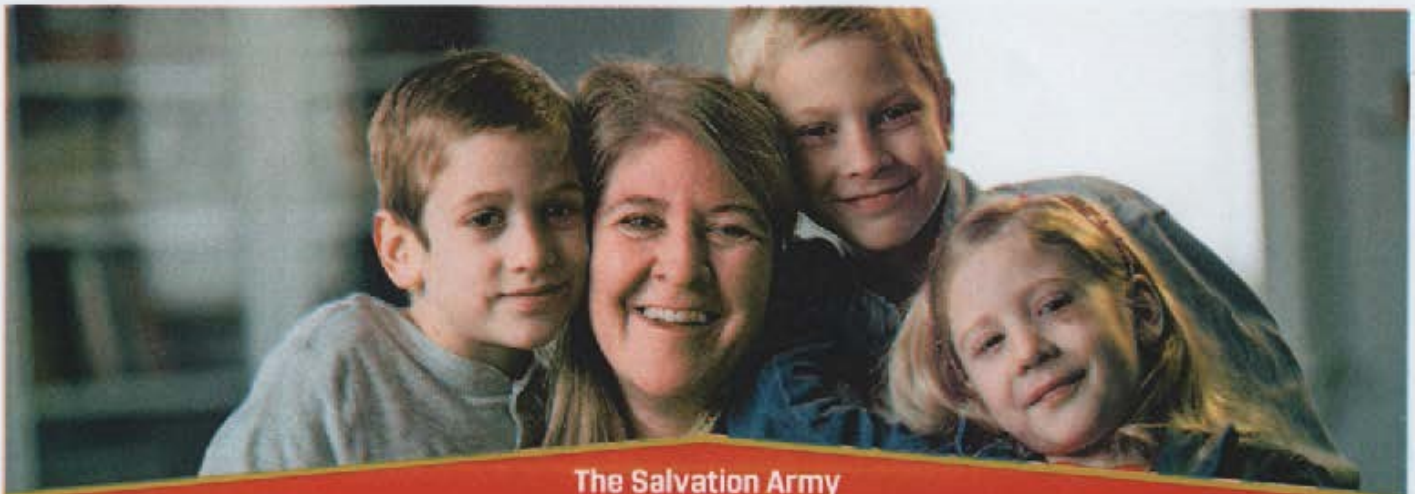
Raindrops had.

Pizza, Salads, pop and cake.

It was most definitely a Happy 45th Anniversary Party.

Georgia





The Salvation Army
The West Women's and Children's Shelter
Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Shelter
Serving Oregon

"A safe place to begin again."

The West Women's and Children's Shelter (The West) is the largest domestic violence women and children's shelter in Portland limits. It is a 60-bed facility that can accommodate just about any family size, from singles to families of up to 6 minor children. We support our survivor 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Our experienced and professional staff, along with dozens of dedicated volunteers, make The West a highly valuable community resource.

By design and intentionality, we strive to create a safe place to begin again for survivors and their families. Our loving and nurturing environment provides a space for survivors to realize their full potential for healing and growth as we work together to end domestic violence.

After an evaluation is done by referral or by our hotline, survivors come into our facility and begin the intake process. On arrival, they are given a tour of the shelter and provided basic needs. We have bedding, towels, hygiene products, baby and children's clothes, and whatever a family of



any size might need on arrival. Within 72 hours, participants meet with their Primary Advocate to create a safety plan for themselves and their children. We want people to know they are coming to a home, and feel protected when they arrive at The West. We have a child friendly space which allows moms to talk to Advocates or a Chaplain or go to Domestic Violence Support Groups or Nurturing Groups. Kids can also have the time they need to play, dream, and create games on our playground; all minors in shelter are welcome to come and play.

In addition to the Emergency Shelter program, our facility manages a Permanent Supportive Housing program that pays the rent (off-site) for up to 40 households.

Services & Resources

- Case Management/Advocacy
- Shelter, Food (3 Meals Daily)
 - Clothing Assistance
 - Job Search Assistance
 - Transportation Assistance
- Program Based Rental Assistance
 - Safety Planning
- Domestic Violence Education, Prevention, And Support Groups
 - Tenant Education Class Referrals "Rent Well Training"
- Children Services; Back 2 School Supplies, School Placement Support, and School Registration
 - Child Safety Plan Training
 - Access to Lifeworks Counselor (Mental Health)
 - Educational Enrollment Support
 - Holiday Giving Program
 - Child and Family Therapy Referrals
 - Drug and/or Alcohol Support Referrals
- Culturally Specific Domestic Violence Group Referral
- Computer Lab, Small Library, Exercise Equipment
- Kitchen Access for Families with Minor Children

Annual Budget
\$1,948,807

Contact Us

- ✉ west.womens@gmail.com
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Creativity Challenge

#6 Lift Up a Friend

In every Newsletter for 2023 there will be a Line Drawing for you to paint in whatever medium, colors, surface that YOU choose!

When you have completed the piece send a photo of it to RaindropNews@gmail.com

At the end of the year there will be a drawing for those who **completed all 6 patterns!**

Line drawings © Mary Davidson

Did you miss one or two??

Check out the Past Newsletters and Catch Up!



November

- 5 Crystal Samuels
- 6 Claudia Hancock
- 8 Mary Scott
- 18 Judy Elam
- 22 Monica Bayness
- 28 Sally Stadelman

December

- 4 Nancy Houck
- 8 Bobbie Redington
- 11 Marie Veloz
- 25 Wendy Goldberg
- 27 Vicki Michael
- 31 Pam Vandaveer



Raindrop Decorative Painters

Statement of Activity
August - September 2023

	August 2023	September 2023	Total
Revenue			
Donations - Cash Received	\$ 281.12	\$ -	\$ 281.12
Interest Earned from Savings	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.75
Membership - Dues		\$ 42.50	\$ 42.50
Seminars	\$ 177.60	\$ 30.00	\$ 207.60
Special Events - Fundraising	\$ 20.00		\$ 20.00
Total Revenue	\$ 479.10	\$ 72.87	\$ 551.97
Gross Profit	\$ 479.10	\$ 72.87	\$ 551.97
Expenditures			
Banking - PayPal Fees	\$ 7.75	\$ 2.46	\$ 10.21
Meetings - Facilities Costs		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Membership - Newsletters	\$ 53.90		\$ 53.90
Miscellaneous		\$ 167.94	\$ 167.94
Office Supplies / Equipment		\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Professional Fees - Accounting		\$ 112.50	\$ 112.50
Seminars - Teacher Fees	\$ 600.00	\$ (450.00)	\$ 150.00
Special Events - Brunch		\$ 99.44	\$ 99.44
Special Events - Other		\$ 324.76	\$ 324.76
Special Events - Retreat	\$ 488.00		\$ 488.00
Subscriptions - Accounting	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 60.00
Sunshine	\$ 99.74		\$ 99.74
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,279.39	\$ 787.10	\$ 2,066.49
Net Operating Revenue	\$ (800.29)	\$ (714.23)	\$ (1,514.52)
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Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2023

Current Assets - Bank Accounts

Checking - Key Bank	\$ 1,758.15
PayPal not transferred	\$ 70.24
Savings - Key Bank	\$ 43,762.46
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 45,590.85

Raindrops Business Meeting 2023

Date: October 7

Call to Order Time: 9:10am

OFFICERS	
<p>PRESIDENT *Bobbie Redington</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Absent – Teaching classes at Net New Laptop vote approved – Working on the new laptop – 60 votes for yes, 0 for no on purchase. Christmas Brunch at Heidi's on Dec 2nd, there will be an Ornament Exchange Ornament Exchange – participants received email regarding their "Secret Pal". Reminders to be sent later in October, early November
<p>VICE PRESIDENT *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024 Open Positions (listed at bottom of agenda) – Need VP – We are legal with 3 officer per state regulations. We would like to have a full roster. Duties were explained. Cheryl Ledford has volunteered for Vice President, Crystal Samuels volunteered for Newsletter and Social Media
<p>SECRETARY *Monica Bayness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve Minutes from last meeting
<p>CO-TREASURER *Lynn Lilja *Jane Smith</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financials update – Posted in the Newsletter. 2024 Budget Vote – Budget was discussed and approved. There was a motion and 2nd to approve, but was unable to hear the names on the recording <p>Reminder: All member reimbursement requests must be submitted to the Treasurer by 25th of the month. Checks will be paid by the 10th of the next month.</p>
STANDING COMMITTEES	
<p>MEMBERSHIP *Camille McDaniel</p>	<p>Number of Members <u>92</u> New Members <u> </u></p>
<p>NEWSLETTER *Monica Bayness</p>	<p>Please remember to get in any information that you want to put into the newsletter to Monica by The 20th of the month we have a meeting. Newsletter goes out around the first of the following month.</p>
<p>EDUCATION *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<p>Paint-Ins: ANNIVERSARY MITI OCT. 7TH Christmas at Heidi's December 2nd from 9-12 noon – Ornament exchange – SILENT AUCTION FOR CHILDREN AT WOMENS SHELTER</p> <p>Seminars: Had Maxine Thomas 9/2 – was a success</p>
<p>Christmas Party</p>	<p>Heidi's in Gresham Silent Auction – Proceeds to go for gifts for the Children at the Women's Shelter</p>
<p>MEMORY BOXES *Sandy Phillips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Took in 8 Memory Boxes. – While delivering them, the lady picked up the phone and when she hung up, she stated sadly that "they would be using one today". Our group is the only group giving the boxes.
<p>Treasure Boxes *Georgia Magarrell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update – Delivered 14 in August – Denim Coloring Book and Crayon holder. 12 were delivered

Charitable Donation *Marsha Holte	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership to decide on this year's charitable donation recipient • Jane motions to Accept to give the budgeted amount for this year to the Women's Shelter, Mary P. Seconded.
PALETTE POTPOURRI CREATIVE CHALLENGE CONTEST *Monica Bayness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
SPRING RETREAT 2024 *Emma Bleich	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 31 - June 2nd (2 nights) • Aldergate Retreat Center • Deposit due: \$228 Cost per person: includes lodging, meals, classes & activities • Big Brush Teacher: Linda O'Connell • May 31st – June 2nd \$228.00 Double Occupancy \$100 deposit needed to reserve by May 1, 2024 See Flyer for details. Discussion was held regarding projects
OLD BUSINESS	
NEW BUSINESS	

Meeting Adjourned 10:30am

Raindrop 2024 OPEN Volunteer Positions	
President	Georgia Magarrell
Vice President	Cheryl Ledford
Secretary	Florence Faraone
Co-Treasurers	Monica Bayness Jane Smith
Co-Auditors	Beckie Underwood/Cheryl Robertson
Membership	Camille McDaniel
Education	Georgia Magarrell
Newsletter	Crystal Samuels
Website	Monica Bayness
Social Media (Facebook)	Crystal Samuels
Sunshine	Vicki Michael
Charitable Donations	Marsha Holte
Nominations	OPEN
Memory Boxes	Sandy Phillips
Treasure Boxes	Georgia Magarrell
Spring Retreat	Emma Bleich
Hospitality	Mary Berube

ON ZOOM:
Lynn Lilja
Nina Daniels
Cheryl Smith
Susan Lockwood