

# RAINDROP CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

June 5, 2010

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Terry Banton. Introductions followed. There were 46 members and 2 guests present. Terry Banton asked anyone who brought donations to the meeting to remember to put their names in for the drawing. Nancy Hughes, Nancy Baur and Frances Elliott were welcomed back and we are all happy to see them doing well. Terry also showed a book of fruits and vegetables recommended by Prudy Vannier. Terry is willing to share it with anyone who needs a pattern or paint color ideas.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Debbie Gill passed around a list to sign for those who want to decorate a table for the Christmas brunch. Today we will be painting the rabbit with Rayma Stewart after the meeting. Board meeting is July 11, Trudy Beard's paint-in July 17 and 18, Susan Maahs' after meeting paint-in will be wild roses on fabric and Judy Meirow will do an extra paint-in of 'Merry Christmas' on a floor cloth in November. Debbie Gill wanted to thank everyone who helped to send her to National Chapter Convention. She showed a painting by Dorothy Dent that will be used for the Vice President raffle at the Christmas brunch. Terry Banton reported contacting Bobby Takashima about a painted piece. Lisa Ludwig was able to bring her laptop to the meeting so everyone could see some of the fun they all had at nationals.

**SECRETARY:** Nancy Baur moved we accept the minutes as printed. Susan Maahs second the motion. Motion passed.

**TREASURER:** Doris Beck reported the sum of \$62,905.43 in the Raindrop accounts. Joan Porter moved we accept this and Marie Morris second the motion to accept. Motion passed.

**CHARITIES:** Helga Nichols turned in 25 boxes and has 9 new boxes today. She asked everyone to paint at least one box and then we would be able to meet the quota. She also asked that we use big enough boxes to be able to put the child's plaster handprint in.

Treasure Boxes are looking good according to Georgia Magarrell. She delivered 21 boxes and has 4 new ones here today. She suggested we include a sheet of alphabet stickers in each box so the children can put their names on the boxes.

Woman's Shelter will need a new chairperson. If you are interested, please contact Judy Meirow. She will be going to the shelter at the end of the month to take our donations. Terry Banton suggested we send a check

from Raindrops for diapers or any needed items. BJ Schmader made a motion and Linda Aten second the motion that we send \$100 from the chapter. Motion passed. Anyone who wants to donate money to this cause is welcome to. Next meeting it is suggested to bring diapers, baby wipes, or even babyfood.

**EDUCATION:** Georgia Magarrell talked about the Trudy Beard class coming up. The Saturday class will need to be based black or any color you chose. The Sunday piece will be based light gray. Trudy will provide the rest of the paint. Lunch will be soup and sandwiches provided by the Legion Ladies for \$6 each day. You bring your own drinks. There is a wooden clock that can be purchased from Smooth Cut Woods for \$30 that the Saturday Rose would be nice on. Contact Judy Zogg if you want one. Georgia also suggested everyone bring your own Ott light and extension cord. There are 31 persons signed up for Saturday and 26 for Sunday. This will be at the American Legion Hall in Aurora at 9 am July 17 and 18. The Kelly Hoernig class is scheduled for October 16 and 17 at the Legion Hall. Two pictures were shared of the projects to be done in colored pencil. Each class is \$25 and the colored pencils are \$18 if you buy a set from her. The pattern is \$10 but the Raindrops will pay \$5 for each pattern so you only pay \$5. There is also a \$2 a day charge for your surface. You may buy your own pencils somewhere else. She will let us know the colors needed.

**HISTORIAN:** Sue Snethen brought the photo book for everyone to enjoy the photos of our activities. Be sure to check this out!

**MEMBERSHIP:** 129 members and 15 new.

**NEWSLETTER:** June 15 is the deadline for news information.

**RETREAT:** Marie Morris reported the retreat is coming along and the theme this year will be country western. There will be an optional addition of Friday night where there will be an angel pin to paint with Judy Meirow. Maxine Thomas will be teaching on Saturday and then a 4 hour workshop on Sunday.

**CONVENTION:** BJ Schmader has the teacher's information on the web site. Terry Banton saw DeLane Lange at convention and she has requested a teacher's form.

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**NOMINATIONS: WE STILL NEED TO FILL THIS POSITION. PLEASE HELP US OUT.**

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Linda Aten bought a book at national convention of Ornaments that will be used for our fundraiser drawing. Buy your tickets now!

**CHAPTER BOOTH:** There were several ornaments painted for the chapter trees but many more are needed. There are also umbrella pins to paint for the chapter booth.

**LEARN TO PAINT:** Georgia Magarrell and Lisa Ludwig shared some of the ideas they learned at Convention for getting more young people to be interested in painting. They are hoping to have more information of a 'Learn To Paint' day coming up.

**LIBRARIAN:** The chapter library book is here. Check out patterns from past conventions and paint events.

**STATE FAIR:** Saturday September 28th we will share a booth with the Coast to the Cascades group, so we need volunteers to work the table from 10 to 2 and from 6 to 9. You will need to bring items painted and things you can work on, and answer questions from the public.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Nancy Hughes is still the person who will call you if there is any urgent information that needs to be sent out. This is for those who are without e-mail. If you would like to help with our upcoming convention, please contact Debbie Gill.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There will be painted umbrellas for our raffle at our chapter booth at the Seattle convention. Anyone who wants to paint one is encouraged to do so. Bring them to the next meeting so they will be ready to go to Seattle. Kathy Anderson has a quilt here that you can buy tickets for a raffle being held. Make sure you get in on the fun. This is being put on by the quilt guild she belongs to so they can raise money for mammograms. Judy Meirow is closing up her shop and will have special sales on Wednesdays all of June.

**SHOW AND TELL:** Several wonderful pieces were shared. We love seeing and hearing about each piece! Door prizes were given out and many stayed for the rabbit paint-in with Rayma Stewart.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,

Betty Jean Kendall

**A great recipe at the retreat  
from Malinda Fedoris**



2 cups of all purpose flour  
2 cups granulated sugar  
2 tsps baking soda  
2 eggs, lightly beaten  
1 20 oz can of crushed pineapple  
with juice, undrained  
1 cup shredded coconut  
1 cup of chopped walnuts

**Frosting:**

1/2 stick unsalted butter softened  
4 oz cream cheese  
2 cups of powdered sugar  
1 tsp of vanilla extract

Heat oven to 325. Coat a 13x9x2 inch baking dish with nonstick spray.

Mix flour, granulated sugar, baking soda, eggs, pineapple with juice, coconut and walnuts.

Stir with wooden spoon until combined and all ingredients are moist.

Spoon into pan and bake at 325 for 35 to 40 minutes.

You know how to make frosting so I won't bore you with the details.....

Enjoy!

Malinda Fedoris