

The Painting



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

What fun we had at our June meeting with Marianne teaching us to paint her stone owls. We had a parliament of owls of every color. Thank you, Marianne, for teaching such a fun and cute project. The ancient Greeks revered the goddess Athena, who was supposed to be the goddess of wisdom and guardian of the Acropolis. Her symbol was the owl, so the bird became a symbol of higher wisdom. The owl was a bird of prophecy and wisdom in many ancient cultures.

July 21st will be our annual BBQ at Robert and Loretta M.'s home. If you have not signed up to bring a dish to the BBQ yet, please contact Marianne S. Hope to see you all there.

We selected our charities for this year and have chosen Community Concern 4 Cats (nominated by Darlene S.) and Kaleidoscope (nominated by Lisa S.).

Wishing you all a happy and safe 4th of July!

Connie

PROGRAMS

1st Vice President

Thank you to all who stayed to paint the little Rock Owls I taught. I had a great time walking around the room looking at everyone's Owls. They were all so cute!

There is no July or August meeting, but we hope everyone attends our annual BBQ at Loretta and Robert's on July 21st. You may arrive around noon for a relaxing fun filled afternoon.

The following members have given their RSVP:

Appetizer:

Rose Marie R. – Vegetable Tray
Merlene R. – ??

Salad:

Liz and Tom L. – Green Salad
Suzanne O. – Jello Salad
Luci F. – Vegetable Salad
Roz B. – Potato Salad
Connie O. – Cucumber/Tomato Salad

Dessert:

Jan V. – Cake
Carrie G. - ??
Jann and Jay O. - ??
Alexis O. – Pumpkin Bars

Agnes K-D; ??

If you have not yet responded but will attend, please email or call me with what you plan to bring and if you will be bringing a guest. We need to hear from you no later than July 19th so we know how much meat to purchase.

August is another fun event, our annual Bunko Fundraiser on August 18th. Trish B. is asking for salads and desserts so please let her know who will attend and what you will bring.

Our September program is going to be a Dream Catcher Card taught by Cathy M. It's going to be a fun program! Look for more info on that in the September newsletter.

Marianne



MEMBERSHIP
2nd Vice President

Chapter dues are \$15 for 2018 and the National renewal dues are \$60. You can access the chapter Membership Application form on our website at www.tollbridgetolers.org. Mail a check and the form to Toll Bridge Tolers, P.O. Box 2671, Martinez, CA 94553 or bring it to a meeting. The Society of Decorative Painters dues needs to be paid directly to the Society. You can submit payment on their website at www.decorativepainters.org or mail it in with a form. You can call them for assistance to pay the National dues. Please let me know if you have any questions or need assistance.

Karen V.



SEMINARS

The registration period for the Sandi Strecker seminars on September 14th and 15th closed on June 30th. I will be contacting members who signed up, to deliver wood pieces to prep by the end of July. Any questions, please feel free to contact me at (925)

682-5311. Otherwise we have our Ornament Frenzy planned for October 2019, next year.

Cathy

ANNUAL BUNKO FUNDRAISER



Bunko will be on Saturday, August 18th. Circle the date on your calendar for Flamingo fun, food, and fandango-ing around the Bunko tables. I have made up a flyer to pass out to your friends and family to invite them to our event. Please remember to get your tickets from Karen.

A signup sheet was passed around at our June meeting for Bunko. If you were not present to sign-up to bring a dish for the lunch, please contact Trish B. She is also looking for volunteers to help set up and clean up the food and kitchen.

We have received some very nice raffle donations so far and want to thank all of you who have made donations. Please remember to attach a Bunko Donation sheet to your donations. You can find the donation sheet on our website. This helps us to know who donated the items and their approximate value. We try really hard to make the raffle baskets equal in value and appreciate your help with this.

If you are interested in being on the Decorations Committee, please let Connie know. Karen will be accepting newly painted items or newly purchased items to be combined in the baskets we assemble for the raffle.

Connie and Karen



WAYS AND MEANS

Barbara B. generously donated a beach bag full of fun “day at the beach” items, including a shell necklace, starfish plate, sea shells and a magazine topped off with a Hobby Lobby gift certificate. Loretta M. was the lucky winner! Connie O. will be the drawing donor for our July picnic.

Jann



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Thank you to all the wonderful painters who are working on the Veterans Restroom Project, and the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center wall touchup. You are all very special. What hard working, caring women we have in our chapter. Thank you again.

Roz



AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

No awards were handed out at the June meeting.



TOLL BRIDGE TOLERS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

First Lutheran Church, Concord, CA

No Board meeting was held at the June 19, 2018 meeting. (Editor's Note)

TOLL BRIDGE TOLERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

First Lutheran Church, Concord, CA
June 19, 2018

Connie O. called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm with a quorum present. Connie announced we have received our 2017 Chapter Achievement award from SDP to attach to our banner.

Seminars – Cathy McC. reminded us of the June 30th registration deadline for the Sandi Strecker seminar at the Plumbers' Hall in Martinez, September 15-16. She passed around the ornaments that may also be painted, if desired, for an additional fee.

Community Projects – Roz B. received two memory boxes this evening painted by Jann O. Barbara B. circulated pictures of Chapter members painting the original County Hospital mural. Pictures of the

completed remodel of the men's bathroom at the Martinez Veteran's Hall are posted on Face book.

Charity Nominations – Darlene S. nominated Community Concern 4 Cats and described this all volunteer program supported solely by donations and grants. Luci F. advised Kaleidoscope was also nominated by Lisa S. at the May meeting. As information about a third charity was not available, Karen V. moved and Loretta M. seconded that Community Concern 4 Cats and Kaleidoscope be selected as our charities this year. The motion carried.

Marianne S. circulated a sign-up sheet for salads, desserts and appetizers for the BBQ at Loretta's home on July 21, 2018.

Bunco – Karen V. had tickets for sale. Bunco starts at 11:30 am and she asked that no one arrive before 11:00 am. The Hall will be decorated on Friday and several members volunteered to help. Liz L. advised there is parking available at the Hall, in the upper parking lot and on the street. A sign-up sheet for salads and desserts was circulated.

Karen V. and Rose Marie R. advised Liz D. fell and broke her other hip and Connie asked that cards be sent to her. Trish B. will be asked to send out Liz's new address.

Special Drawing – Barbara B. prepared a basket including a Hobby Lobby gift card, a shell necklace and other items and it was won by Loretta M.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm to a project taught by Marianne S. of owls on rocks.



NEWSLETTER

All Chapter members are welcome to submit painting or craft related articles for the newsletter. Send the articles to me via e-mail. **The deadline for newsletter articles is the last day of each month.**

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HOSPITALITY

Hi everyone, being the July meeting is at Loretta's via a BBQ, no Hospitality needed. Oops no, I don't mean that. Have a great BBQ. Cheers

Barbara



TBT 2018 IMPORTANT DATES

July 21st- BBQ at Loretta and Roberts house
 August 18th- Bunco Fundraiser, Plumbers Hall
 September 15 & 16- Sandi Strecker Seminar
 September 18th- Regular Tuesday Meeting 7PM
 October 16th- Regular Tuesday Meeting 7PM
 November 10th- Saturday Meeting 10AM-4PM
 December 18th- Christmas Dinner Mangia Bene Martinez



TIPS, HINTS AND HELPS

If you have a tip, hint or something that you think would help us be better painters email Trish with your suggestion. Sharing is caring.

July

Liz L	July 01
Cathy M	July 04
Carrie G	July 29

August

Jeanie S	August 6
Suzanne O	August 15

Happy Birthday to everyone!

Holley Y.

The purpose of the society is a central dissemination point for information about activities related to decorating painting; raise and maintain a high standard for the art of decorative painting; and stimulate interest in and appreciation for the art form.

NOTICE: First Lutheran Church is collecting foodstuffs year round for Project Share. Any donations would be welcome. Contact Darlene for details.

FLAMINGO FANDANGO



Toll Bridge Tolars Annual Bunko
Charity Fundraiser

Saturday, August 18, 2018

Plumbers Hall, 1308 Roman Way
Martinez, CA 94553

TICKETS:

\$25.00, includes lunch, drinks and dessert; tons of
Wonderful raffle prizes.

Invite your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors for
a fun filled afternoon of laughs and great raffle prizes.

Contact for tickets: _____

(Toll Bridge Tolars Member)

(Phone)