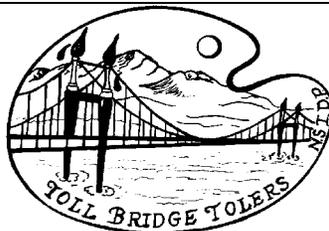


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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fall is in the air, warm comfortable days and crisp cool nights. I'm having a hard time believing will be celebrating Thanksgiving in a few weeks.

I was not able to make our October meeting, but understand you painted some cute gourds with Luci. Thank you, Luci, for teaching your project and sharing it with us.

On a sad note, I just found out that Sandy Aubuchon passed away towards the end of October. I did not have the experience of taking a class from her, but I'm sure we have a good number of members who have. Another of our painting teachers that will be deeply missed.

DecoArt has been busy. They are discontinuing and adding the following colors:

Discontinued Colors

DA013 – Pumpkin
DA025 - Dusty Rose
DA080 – Russet
DA091 - Cashmere Beige
DA104 - Naphthol Red
DA141 - Blue Violet
DA149 - Silver Sage Green
DA152 - Shale Green
DA153 – Eggshell
DA154 - Pansy Lavender
DA158 - Antique Teal
DA207 - Soft Sage
DA209 - Arbor Green
DA252 – Lemonade
DA266 - Orange Twist

Discontinued Colors Continued-

DA282 - Green Tea
DA284 - Spicy Mustard
DA296 - Wasabi green

New Colors

DA354 – Sugared Peach
DA355 – Blush Pink
DA356 – Dried Clay
DA357 – Thicket
DA358 – Light Sage
DA359 – Morning Mist
DA360 - Plum Suede
DA361 – Sand Grey
DA362 – Wild Berry
DA363 – Summer Squash
DA364 – Aloe
DA365 – Shoreline
DA366 – Periwinkle
DA367 – Lilac Meadow
DA368 – Magenta

This month will be having a Saturday meeting on November 10th. We will be painting bags for the Veterans. Marianne has requested that we bring any patterns we have, to paint the bags.

Our ornament exchange is next month at our Christmas Dinner. If you would like to participate in the ornament exchange, please bring a newly painted ornament to the exchange in a brown paper bag.

Wishing all of you, your family and friends a Happy Thanksgiving.

Connie



PROGRAMS

A great time was had by all at our October meeting taught by Luci F. Luci supplied various small sized gourds and embellishments to be painted like pumpkins. For those of us that could not make the meeting, Trish posted some pictures in the TBT Facebook page so everyone can see them. Thank you, Luci they turned out really cute!

Our last Saturday meeting of 2018 will be **November 10th** at our regular meeting place. We will be painting canvas bags for Veterans. Please bring any patterns you have, to paint on the bags - patriotic, animals (eagles or other birds or wildlife) or fishing, anything masculine. There are also female veterans so please bring patterns for women. Bring any fabric paints for yourself and to share. If you don't have fabric paints, you can bring acrylics and I'll have Fabric Adhesion medium for you to use. The canvas bags will be supplied, and I'll have fabric paint for people to use as well.

If anyone has bags that were painted for the Battered Women's shelter last year, please bring them to the meeting. We can use those for female veterans.

We are a very generous group so thank you in advance for your participation.

Hope we have a good turn out!

Marianne



MEMBERSHIP

The 2019 Chapter dues of \$15 are due by the end of this month. Please pay them as soon as possible if you have not already renewed your dues. The 2019 National annual dues are \$60. The SDP application came with your magazine that you just received. The Society of Decorative Painters dues needs to be paid directly to the Society. You mail in the application or you can renew your SDP dues on line through their website. There are 3 options to pay the National dues - submit an on-line payment at www.decorativepainters.org/renew; or mail it in with the application form; or can call (316) 269-9300 and speak with a staff member to pay with your credit card. The chapter Membership Application form is attached to the newsletter and on our website at www.tollbridgecolers.org. You can turn it in at the meeting or mail the chapter form and check. Mail should be sent to Toll Bridge Tolers, P.O. Box 2671, Martinez, CA 94553. Thank you to the members that have already paid. Please let me know if you have any questions or need assistance.

Karen



WAYS AND MEANS

Cathy McC. donated a big bucket of fun Halloween goodies which included a night light, ornaments, paint patterns, grey palette paper as well as a host of other items, including a \$15.00 Panera gift card! Liz L. was the lucky winner. Thank you, Cathy for your generous donation. Loretta M. will be the donor for our November drawing

Jann



COMMUNITY SERVICE

A big Thank You to all of you who have worked on so many community projects this year and are still painting. We may be a smaller group, but we sure are mighty. I have some memory boxes to be painted, I will bring to the meeting. I have enough painted to last this year, so start after the first of the year.

Roz



DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

A big thank you to the following TBT members who loaned their painted pieces to our display at the Concord Main Library during the month of October in celebration of Decorative Painting Month: Luci F, Karen V, Barbara B, Jo I, Suzanne O, Roz B (memory boxes) and Cathy M. The display was well received, and we are already booked again for next year.

Cathy



AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

I handed out many awards at our October meeting. Those that received awards were:

For helping with the Sandi Strecker seminar- Vivian, Suzanne, Roz, Sue S. and Jann.

Luci received one for donating a painted item to display at the Library.

For helping with the Veterans Bathroom remodel were- Vivian, Liz and Jann.

Debbie T. received one for helping with our Ornament frenzy last year and Suzanne received one for helping with the Mural at the County Hospital in Martinez.

Thank you to all of you for help and keeping our chapter thriving!

Shirley

BOARD AND COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS FOR 2019

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

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| President: | Connie O. |
| 1 st VP-Programs: | Marianne S. |
| 2 nd VP-Membership: | Karen V. |
| Secretary: | Darlene S. |
| Treasurer: | Jann O. |
| Newsletter: | Trish B. |
| Ways and Means: | Jann O. |

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

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| County Fair: | Karen V. and Luci F. |
| Community Projects: | Roz B |
| Dec. Painting Month: | Cathy McC. and Suzanne O. |
| Handbook: | Karen V. |
| Historian: | VACANT |
| Hospitality: | Barbara B. |
| Librarian: | Jann O. |

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| Seminars/Paint-ins: | Cathy McC. |
| Nominating Committee: | Luci F. |
| Parliamentarian: | Cathy McC. |
| Rewards/Recognition: | Shirley I. |
| Sunshine: | Holley Y. |
| Website: | VACANT |
| Publicity: | VACANT |

TOLL BRIDGE TOLERS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

First Lutheran Church, Concord, CA
October 16, 2018

Present: Luci F., Barbara B., Shirley I., Liz L., Merlene R., Bonnie S., Darlene S., Trish B., Karen V., Jann O., Cathy McC., Vivian R., Holley Y., Roz B., Suzanne O.

Vice President Karen V. called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm. She announced the 2019 Planning Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 4, 2018 at the Church from 1:30 to 4:00 pm. The regular November meeting is on Saturday, November 10th, at the Church. We will be painting tote bags for the Veteran's Hospital and members

were asked to bring patterns and fabric paint. Merlene R. suggested a committee buy the fillers for the bags. Trish B. advised Genie M. is now living in Stockton at an assisted living center and she has her address.

Charity Checks: It was unanimously agreed to present the checks to Kaleidoscope and Community Concern 4 Cats at the November 10th meeting. Jann O. advised the Bunco raffle brought in \$1,748.10. \$300.00 goes to the church for use of the meeting room and the balance of \$1,448.10 will be divided between the two charities. Shirley I. moved that the amount to the charities be rounded up to \$725.00 each. Holley Y. seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.

TOLL BRIDGE TOLERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

First Lutheran Church, Concord, CA
October 16, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm by Vice President Karen V. with a quorum present. The minutes of the September meeting were approved (Holley Y./Trish B.).

Members were reminded to bring patterns and fabric paint to the Saturday, November 10th meeting being held from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Either bring items to put in the bags or a committee may be formed to purchase items. Also, bring your own lunch and desserts to share.

Bonnie S. brought assorted wood pieces for sale, Darlene S. brought 2019 calendars and Shirley I. brought various painting books and patterns.

Bunco Charity Checks: As noted in the Board meeting minutes, each charity will receive \$725.00 and they will be presented at the November 10th meeting.

Memory Boxes: Barbara B. brought a painted box and Roz B. is purchasing more.

Awards and Recognition: Shirley I. passed out rewards to Vivian R. (2), Suzanne O. (2), Roz B., Jann O. (2), Luci F., Liz L., Debbie T., and Sue S.

Membership: TBT dues of \$15.00 are due.

Martinez Open House: Vivian reported on the recent open house in Martinez where members had a table of painted items and demonstrated painting. About 450 people attended and 45 took information about the Tolers. Vivian R. donated a painted chair for their raffle on behalf of TBT and they would like us back next year.

Teaching Opportunity: Merlene R. advised she has been teaching Liz D.'s class in Brentwood through the Adult Education. Merlene is moving and another teacher is needed. Please contact her for details. Merlene also announced she is having a moving/garage sale on November 3rd and 4th and invited anyone interested to attend.

Decorative Painting Month: Cathy McC. and Suzanne O. put the annual October display in the Concord Library with pictures on Facebook. We are scheduled again for next year.

Special Drawing: Cathy McC donated a basket of assorted Halloween items including a \$15.00 Panera gift card. The basket was won by Liz L.

Trish B. will share a list of paints available at local stores.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm to a Halloween pumpkin gourd program taught by Luci F.



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.**

I try my best to keep up to date on member's email addresses. However, if you are not receiving your newsletter notification, please contact me as I may have old or incorrect information. Please send any e-mail or address changes to me at TBTNewsletter@comcast.net. Be the first person at the meeting this Saturday to tell me you saw this, and you will receive a nice little goody.

Note: The following is our policy regarding the method by which you will receive your newsletter:

If you have Internet access, you will be receiving an email to let you know that the current month's newsletter is available online at our website - www.tollbridgetolers.org

You will need to log onto the website and read or print the newsletter from there. If you need assistance, please contact Trish at TBTNewsletter@comcast.net or Loretta. You must have Adobe Acrobat Reader to access and print your newsletter. There are instructions on our website which will allow you to receive your FREE copy of Acrobat Reader.

If you do not have Internet access, you have the option of receiving your newsletter via the mail or as an email attachment. You need to let me know if you choose either of these options.



Sending my apologies for missing a couple of our October birthdays. Happy Belated birthday to Barbara B. and Cheryl R.

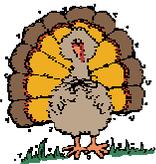
Happy Birthday to our November members- Genie, Liz D., Valerie P., Lisa S., Luci Fl., Trish B. and Sue P.

And a very Happy Birthday to our December members- Marianne S. and Pam V.



Sending all of our painters and families a wonderful Thanksgiving and a wonderful Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Holley Y.



HOSPITALITY

Our November meeting is on a Saturday, everyone should feel free to bring their own lunch and beverage. We will have water and a little soda. If you would like to bring a snack to share, that would be great.

Barbara B.



TBT 2018 IMPORTANT DATES

November 4th- TBT Planning meeting 1:30pm-4PM
November 10th- Saturday Meeting 10AM-4PM
December 18th – Installation dinner Mangia Bene



TIPS, HINTS AND HELPS

This portion of the newsletter is to help our fellow painters with hints, tips, shortcuts or whatever we can share to help each other become better painters! If you find something that helped you, send it to Trish and she will make sure it goes into the newsletter the following month! We can always use a little help.

NOTICE: Luci F. wanted to let everyone know she has a rubber stamp of the American Flag and of the Pledge of Allegiance for anyone to use at the November meeting to put on their canvas bags. If you don't want to use paint to transfer the design on, please bring your stamp pad. Contact Luci with any questions.

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.



TOLL BRIDGE TOLERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2019

Dues are \$15 per Year, payable October 1, and delinquent November 1

SDP# _____ Birth Month and Day _____

Name: _____

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Are you a new Member Yes _____ No _____

Are you a member of another chapter Yes _____ No _____ Name _____

Are you a teacher _____ Medium _____

Your cancelled check is your receipt of dues payment.

You must be a member of the Society of Decorative Artist, info on www.decorativepainters.org

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