

# The Painting



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**Happy New Year**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome 2020!! Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas season with all your families and friends and you are all safe in the New Year. I would like to say a HUGE thank you to Connie O. for doing a fantastic job as our President in 2019. Also, thank you to all the board and committee members who help make our Chapter a success. Without all of our volunteers, we couldn't thrive like we do.

Our Christmas dinner at Mangia Bene was enjoyed by all that were able to attend. Connie and her committee did a wonderful job on all the adorable mouse shoe decorations and table lanterns. Very creative and fun. Our ornament exchange never gets old! So many amazing and beautiful ornaments were passed around. And thank you to Jeanie for her adorable mouse goodies that she added to our dessert plates.

Our chapter has some fun things planned for 2020. Make sure you attend our monthly meetings to learn something new this year. We have three Saturday meetings planned, March 14<sup>th</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup> and September 12<sup>th</sup>. All the meeting dates are listed in the back of the newsletter.

Tami Carmody will be coming to our chapter on June 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. She paints on glass and will be a fun time. Mark your calendars. Our annual Bunko fundraiser will be August 29<sup>th</sup> at the church gymnasium again. Please bring your Charity Nominations to the January meeting. We would like to vote on these soon.

Thank you for voting me in as your new President. I will certainly need a lot of help from all of you this coming year. I look forward to this new year and what it will bring!

*Trish*



## PROGRAMS

Happy New Year Everyone! Hard to believe 2019 is over but I'm looking forward to a great 2020!!

Our December dinner at Mangia Bene Restaurant was a great way to end 2019. As I looked around at all the members attending there were big smiles on everyone's faces! Thank you to Connie and her committee for the wonderful center pieces and members gifts.



Karen will be teaching our January project which is a candle dish from Shirley's stash. The candle dishes are different colors so not everyone will get a green one as pictured but all of them are nice colors. Karen will have the tops prepped and so everyone will just need to put on the pattern and base and paint the flowers. The pattern is a Gail Anderson design which was one of Shirley's favorite designers. Karen will be providing the paint so all you need to bring is your regular painting supplies. There is no cost for this project.

Hope to see everyone there! It would be nice to have a good turn out to our meetings this year.

*Marianne*



## **MEMBERSHIP**

It is time again to renew our annual national and chapter membership dues. If you have not done so yet, please renew your chapter and national dues. You should have received emails from SDP with the membership renewal information and an application was also included in the Fall 2019 magazine mailing.

The 2020 National membership dues continue to be \$60. They can be submitted by one of the options below:

- Online – [www.decorativepainters.org/renew](http://www.decorativepainters.org/renew).
- Phone – call (316) 269-9300 and speak with a staff member and pay by credit card.
- Mail – Use the application form included with your recent magazine and pay by credit card or check made to SDP.
- Fax – (316) 269-9191 the application form and pay by credit card.

The chapter dues are the same low price of \$15 for 2020. You can access the chapter Membership Application form on our website at [www.tollbridgetolers.org](http://www.tollbridgetolers.org) Turn in the form at our next meeting or mail the form and check. Mail should be sent to Toll Bridge Tolers, P.O. Box 2671, Martinez, CA 94553.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need assistance.

*Karen*



## **WAYS AND MEANS**

Sue S. donated a piece painted by Sandi Strecker for our holiday drawing. Connie was the lucky winner. The January drawing offering is being donated by Holley.

*Jann*



## FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNUAL CRAB FEED

The annual First Lutheran Church and Preschool Crab Feed is scheduled for Saturday January 25, 2020. As usual, any donated raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. They are always well received and contribute greatly to this annual fundraiser. Please get any donations to Darlene no later than our January 21, 2020 meeting. If you have any questions, please call or email Darlene.

## TOLL BRIDGE TOLERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

First Lutheran Church, Concord, CA

No general meeting was held in December. We had our Christmas dinner.  
Editor's Note.



## 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](mailto:TBTNewsletter@comcast.net).

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**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](http://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](mailto: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.



## SUNSHINE

Happy Birthday to Loretta who celebrates her special day in January.

And to Roz, Teri, and Holley, Happy Birthday who celebrate in February.  
Hope you all have a wonderful day celebrating YOU!

Holley



## HOSPITALITY

Snacks: Suzanne, Loretta and Luci  
Beverages: Cathy and Barb  
Ice: Barb  
Thank you!

Barbara B.

## TIPS, HINTS and MARKETPLACE

Darlene has a JoSonja paint rack that Shirley gave her when she closed her shop. She no longer needs it and wondered if anyone is interested in taking it. Please email her. Her home phone is currently out (waiting for the technician) and not sure when it will be back up



## TBT 2020 IMPORTANT DATES

January 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday Regular meeting
February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Regular meeting
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday Meeting-
April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday Regular meeting
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday Meeting
June 13-14	Tami Carmody Seminar
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Regular Meeting
July ??	BBQ at Loretta's
August 29 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Bunko Fundraiser at First Lutheran Gym
Sept 12 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday meeting Halloween Ornaments (3 of them, in place of Frenzy)
October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Regular meeting
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Regular meeting
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Installation Christmas Dinner

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