

# The Painting



# Connection

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happy new year

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!! Happy 2022!! We enjoyed a wonderful holiday luncheon at Mangia Bene last month. Thank you to Marianne and Jann for the wonderful gnome themed decorations! They were all so adorable and really brought in the holiday spirit for a great celebration together. Thanks also to Marianne and Robert for setting up our luncheon decorations. The painted ornaments for our exchange were all wonderful and fun to see and share. It was so nice to see everyone and this was a great way to start our holiday season. We have planned our meetings and projects for the year and will have both in person and zoom options so you can join us with however you feel most comfortable. I am looking forward to starting our HOME project this month with Jann kicking off the first two pieces. Let's hope for a healthy and safe 2022!

Karen  
President



## MEMBERSHIP

We have 34 wonderful members this year. If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining us, the cost for chapter dues for 2022 is \$15 for the year. Members also need to have an annual membership in the National Society of Decorative Painters (SDP). A Toll Bridge Tolerers Membership Application available on our chapter website needs to be submitted for record keeping. Mail the membership application to: Toll Bridge Tolerers, P.O. Box 2671, Martinez, CA 94553-0267. The 2022 SDP renewal dues are \$60 annually. New members can join SDP and get a Trial membership for \$40 for the first year and student memberships for full time students are available for \$20 annually. The Society of Decorative Painters dues need to

be paid directly to the SDP. You can submit payment on their website at [www.decorativepainters.org](http://www.decorativepainters.org) or call them and they will assist you with payment. Please let me know if you have any questions or need assistance.

*Karen*  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Membership



## PROGRAMS

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year!

Our annual Holiday Luncheon and ornament exchange was held at Mangia Bene Restaurant in Martinez on Saturday December 11, 2021. We had 20 members in attendance, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves visiting while eating a delicious meal. Those that participated in the ornament exchange did an amazing job, so many adorable ornaments. Jann O. and I had a wonderful time painting 30 place mats, making notebook pads, Gnome ornaments and the Gnome table decorations. We hope everyone enjoyed them as much as we did.

### TBT 2022 meeting Program



Jann O. will be beginning out TBT HOME project at the January meeting. Please prep your HME letters, your snowflake, and your heart by sanding, sealing and resanding all surfaces. Base coat the letters with black, the snowflake with light buttermilk, the chunky heart with watermelon slice and the thin heart with pink chiffon. You can substitute colors as you choose according to your taste and/or home décor. Bring your base colors to the meeting along with white and winter blue. Also, bring your favorite background stencils – swirls, dots, snowflakes, etc. I will have an assortment as well. You will need your regular painting supplies and one or more stencil brushes.

*Marianne*  
1<sup>st</sup> VP, Programs



## SEMINARS AND EVENTS

Stay tuned and mark your calendars:

Saturday July 23, 2022 – 25th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday August 20, 2022 – Fall Ornament Frenzy Saturday

September 17, 2022 – Bunko Fundraiser

Let me know if you have any ideas for seminars or teachers that our chapter might be interested in scheduling. Now that many teachers are teaching via zoom, it may be possible and cost effective to put a seminar together in the future.

*Karen & Connie*  
Co-Seminar Chairs



## 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 [berts4@comcast.net](mailto:berts4@comcast.net)

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](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 [berts4@comcast.net](mailto:berts4@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 Beckie U. and Loretta who celebrate their birthday in January.  
And Happy Birthday to Roz, Teri and Holley who celebrate their birthday in February.  
Here's looking forward to a wonderful year and getting back to a new normal.

*Holley  
Sunshine*



## HOSPITALITY

Snacks: Luci, Suzanne and Loretta  
Beverages: Darlene  
See you on the 18th at T.B.T meeting!!!! Cheers

*Barbara  
Hospitality*



## 2022 Calendar of Events

**Tuesday night meetings – Board meeting at 6:45; General Meeting at 7:00**

**Events will be in person and most will be available via Zoom.**

Date	Day	Time	Project	Instructor
January 18, 2022	Tuesday	7:00 pm	HOME Project Jan/Feb	Jann
February 15, 2022	Tuesday	7:00 pm	HOME Project March/April	Karen
March 19, 2022	Saturday	10:00-3:00	Backpacks & Blankets for Foster Kids	TBT
April 19, 2022	Tuesday	7:00 pm	HOME Project May/June	Marianne
May 14, 2022	Saturday	10:00-4:00	SNOW Friends – Shara Reiner Project	TBD
June 21, 2022	Tuesday	7:00 pm	HOME Project July/Aug/Sept	Luci
July 23, 2022	Saturday	11:30 am	25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – PH Senior Center	
August 20, 2022	Saturday	9:00 am	Fall Ornament Frenzy	Various
Sept 17, 2022	Saturday	1:30 pm	Bunko Fundraiser	TBT
October 18, 2022	Tuesday	7:00 pm	HOME Project Oct/Nov	Darlene
Nov 15, 2022	Tuesday	7:00 pm	HOME Project Dec	Trish
Dec 10, 2022	Saturday	11:30 am	Holiday Luncheon & Ornament Exchange	

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