

Presidents Message - Welcome to 2020 Ladies! This has been a wild winter, so far! Our new Board is working hard to work together to get the kinks out! My part of the newsletter is not in the newsletter because I did not make it in time for the deadline. So, you will see my updates for the newsletter here. Be patient with the process, and let the painting begin!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Christmas Committee for a wonderful dinner! It really looked magical in there. To the Ways and Means Committee for coordinated the Pence raffle, and the special raffle. To our Members who donated to the various community service projects, thank you for all that you continue to do! It was a great event! Village Painters is going to get busy very fast with plenty of opportunity to do some painting, starting with the February meeting! Please make sure you contact either Rondi or Dawn if you are going to be painting the after-meeting project. There is more info in the newsletter. Plus, the information is on the website in the 'General Meeting' page. All of the seminars are listed on the 'Seminars' page of the website too! Take a moment...or 5...to look things over and sign up for some fun painting projects this year!

See you at the February meeting!

Sheri

Community Service - Even though we still don't have a Chairperson to head Community Service, I feel we as a group do a lot through the year to help others in need. We did collect a lot of product for the Salvation Army, Toys for Tots, Free Little Library, and the Clean Love Project. We also still supported the Memory box program, and the Treasure box program, which we will continue to support. There have been many other programs we have supported along the way as well.

I have an opportunity for our group to be a part of the next Clean Love Project kit assembly program at my niece's warehouse on March 28th. This will give us the opportunity to see what her organization is all about, and to see what she does with all the products that our group has donated to her organization. This is her biggest kit assembly event of the year for her. There will be approximately 50 people at her warehouse assembling kits to be delivered to the poor and needy across Michigan. She lives on Middlebelt Road by King Road out by the airport. I will have a sign-up sheet at the February meeting. You can also email me and let me know if you would like to participate in the event, and I will add you to the list. I do not have an official time yet. I will keep you posted.

One of our members suggested we paint some canvas bags or totes for the organization as a Community Service project. I know my niece would be very happy if we did something like that, but it is up to all of us to make that decision. Right now, everything goes in zip lock bags, unless she receives donations of etsy bags...which isn't very often. Plus, those etsy bags aren't very big. Thank you! Sheri



# VILLAGE NEWS AND VIEWS

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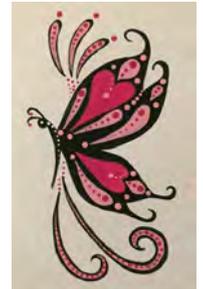
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## SATURDAY, February 8th

## Meeting Activity

See page 2 for details.



## SOCIETY OF DECORATIVE PAINTERS

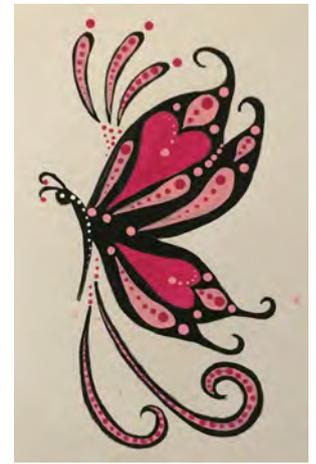
### ~ MEMBERSHIP REMINDER ~

Just a quick reminder to renew your Society of Decorative Painters (SDP) membership. The Village Painters is an affiliated chapter of SDP. SDP requires that all members of its chapters are also members of the over-arching SDP organization.

If you have not renewed your Society of Decorative Painters membership and have paid your Village Painters membership for 2020, you will receive the Village Painters newsletter.

Only Village Painters members who have renewed their SDP membership will be eligible for membership rates for Village Painters activities.

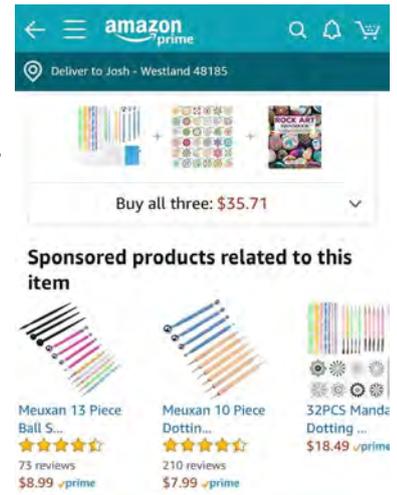
## February SATURDAY Meeting Activity



Hi Ladies. We are excited to share two fun heart projects with you at the February 8th meeting. They are mandala/dots patterns. Easy to do! There will be a \$5.00 fee for the two project packet. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Christmas dinner. Supplies to bring to the February meeting include your regular paint supplies, multiple size stylus' for making dots, (for larger dots you can use pencil eraser ends, paint brush ends, dabblers, etc. whatever works! We are attaching info about kits available on Amazon you can purchase if you choose), compass, clean eraser. Paints to bring: Americana - Santa Red, Watermelon Spice, Country Red, Spice Pink, Melon, Fuschia, Baby Pink, Black, White.

Also, the lunch that will be available for \$6 will be:

Tomato basil bisque soup	Drinks
Chicken tortilla soup	Desert
Lasagna	Bread
Tuna salad	



**Please** email Dawn at [Dbilliau@coregroupsales.com](mailto:Dbilliau@coregroupsales.com) if you will be wanting the lunch.

We look forward to you signing up for the February projects and sharing this project with you.

We will be passing out boxes in February . They are for the after meeting in April. They will need to be base coated for that meeting. The basecoat info. Will be provided with the box in February.

We would like to ask if any members have a fun project they would like to share/teach in June. Please let Rondi or Dawn know.

*Dawn and Rondi*



### January Birthdays

### February Birthdays

*2 Jackie Wright*

*19 Kathy Fischer*

*5 Leslie Williams*

*5 Teresa Palmer*

*29 Rondi Bur*

*15 Pamela Hypnar*

*17 Denise Rogers*

*31 Nancy Forbes*

*19 Diane Stiller*

*18 Jeannine Laderach*

*22 Audrey Gusmano*



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## 2020 Calendar of Events

February 8	General Meeting & Activity
March 14	Bag Lady
April 25 Farah	Lynn Andrew's Create—Sam
June 6 & 7	Tracy Moreau
June 27	Fabric Pillows
August 1 & 2	Judy Westegaard-Jenkins
September 12	Takashima Witch—Nancy Silver
October 17	Santa Video class

## General Meetings

Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48154  
Social hour begins at 6:00, Business meeting at 6:45

*2020 General Meeting Dates:*

Saturday, February 8 ~See page 2 for details~

April 2

June 4

August 6

October 1

## Board Meetings

6:00 p.m.  
Plymouth District Library

## Your 2020 Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

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### **Historian**

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Nancy Silver

Theresa Palmer

### **Membership**

Jan Miller

### **Newsletter**

Jan Miller

### **Learn to Paint**

### **Paint with Us 2021**

### **Spring Fling 2021**

Paula Atkinson

### **Ways and Means**

Loretta Huebler

Cathy McClendon

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Sheri Redd

### **Audit**

Susan Rhodes

### **August Picnic**

### **Christmas Party**

Barbara Derby

### **Community Service**

### **Hospitality**

Dawn Billiau

### **Fall Retreat 2020**

Paula Atkinson

### **Memory Boxes**

### **Nominations**

### **Pence**

Loretta Huebler

### **Secret Pal**

Cathy McClendon

### **Seminar Hostess**

Margaret Pedersen

### **Sunshine**

Connie Vasilnek

### **Treasure Boxes**



# **Fall Retreat**

September 25-27, 2020

Join us for a

*“Woodland Painting Party”*

At Skyline Camp and Conference Center

in Almont, MI.

Registration forms will be available at the April meeting.

Look for finished projects at the February meeting.

Info will be on website soon.

You won't want to miss this chance to have quality time  
with your fellow Village Painters.



**Thank You**

A Special Thank You to everyone who contributed toys, books and food at our Christmas Party to families in need. Your very generous contributions reflected the holiday spirit and the generosity and kindness of the Village Painter members. The items were taken to the Salvation Army and they were so pleased to receive the items to give to families in need. Also, thank you for the books for our Little Free Libraries. Your contributions of adult and children books filled 2 of our libraries and help to spread the joy of reading for both children and adults. *Kathy Fischer*

We would like to thank all those who donated finished pieces for our pence raffle, and also thank those who cleaned their cupboards for our special raffle. Your generosity was appreciated, especially by those who won. Happy New Year! *Cindy and Doreen*

I would also like to thank everyone for their generous donations of food, toys and money. We delivered everything to the Salvation Army and they were so so pleased. We have also stocked our little free library with books....to be enjoyed by many. Your giving makes a difference to families in need. Thank you. Thank you so much. *Kathy and Pat*



## Village Painters End Of The Year Financial Report January 1 to December 31, 2019



INCOME	Amount
Christmas Party	\$ 1,580.00
Education	\$ 7,913.00
General Meeting - education	\$ 25.00
Learn to Paint	\$ 590.51
Membership	\$ 1,110.00
Misc (pin)	\$ 5.00
Paint with Us	\$ 180.00
Spring Fling	\$ 13,414.13
Ways and Means	\$ 1,011.50
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 25,829.14</b>
EXPENSES	
August Picnic	\$ 30.00
Christmas Party	\$ 1,960.68
Corporate	\$ 191.51
Education 2019 Seminars	\$ 12,811.58
Education 2020 Seminars	\$ 200.00
Fall Retreat	\$ 800.00
General Meeting	\$ 317.73
Hospitality	\$ 4.55
Learn to Paint	\$ 442.09
Library	\$ 81.61
Misc. Check return	\$ 38.00
Newsletter	\$ 57.59
Paint with Us	\$ 200.00
Rent - General Meeting	\$ 500.00
Spring Fling 2019	\$ 6,678.77
Sunshine Fund	\$ 5.30
Treasurer	\$ 67.61
Ways and Means	\$ 228.24
Website	\$ 171.39
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 24,786.65</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$ 1,042.49</b>
Checkbook Balances	
Checkbook Balance on 1/1/19	\$ 7,207.61
Checkbook Balance on 12/31/19	\$ 8,250.10
<b>Pence Used</b>	<b>\$ 1,763.00</b>
<b>Hostess Used</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>Village Painter CD</b>	<b>\$10,620</b>

Check out the other Michigan clubs:

Heritage Decorative Artists of Southeast MI—Facebook

GLDA—Facebook

Heart of Michigan decorative artists—FB only

NEDA—Nedaoftc.org

WMDA—hastingscountry.com

Check out  
**MICHIGAN MIXER**  
on Facebook  
for club newsletters  
and other interesting  
information.

## Education: Diane Stiller

The registration forms for the 2020 education program are out and were emailed to everyone. The first class is the Oldie but Goodie: Bag Lady on March 14. You may want to think about painting this on a bag that you put your own painting supplies in. Think about other changes that you can do to personalize it. You may not want her to be holding a sandwich in her hand or can decide to change the colors of her hair or clothes. There is no instructor for this class so everyone can work at their own pace. **I will not be present at the February meeting until around 12:30ish and I will be staying only long enough to pick up any registration forms at that time.**

Next up is Sam Farah teaching the Create pattern by Lynn Andrews on April 25. The cost is a little higher than usual for several reasons. Lynn requires that a pattern be purchased for every student. Also Sam will purchase and prep the surface and provide some of the materials. This class is not recommended for a beginner painter as it will be a bit fast paced in order to complete the project in class. **Please register for this class as soon as possible so that Sam has plenty of time to order the pattern and surface, and to complete the prep work.**

Nancy Silver will have the Bobbie Takashima Witch painted by the February meeting so I can add the photo of the project to the registration form.

## *Christmas Party: Diane Stiller*

Thanks again to the following ladies who made this Christmas Party an outstanding event! Michelle Handley, who served as Co-Chair and came up with the design, color scheme, and snow ladies pattern for the centerpiece; Christmas Committee: Dawn Billiau, Cathy McClendon, and Connie Vasilnek who painted, assembled, set up, and helped orchestrate the evening's program; Donation Coordinators: Pat Butler, Kathy Fischer, and Sheri Redd who collected and will deliver the donations that were made to Salvation Army, Toys for Tots, Little Free Library, and The Clean Love Project; Pence and Special Raffles: Doreen McLain and Cindy Williams; Ornament Exchange: Nancy Silver; and Grace: Gail Barton. Happy New Year to Everyone!

### Christmas Party Financial Report 2019

For Board and Newsletter

Theme: We Gather As Friends

Date: December 5, 2019

Location: Burton Manor

Revenue	Attendees	Fee	
Members	53	\$20	\$1,060.00
Non Members	9	\$30	\$270.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>62</b>		<b>\$1,330.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Location expenses			\$1,824.00
Centerpiece/Favor Supplies			\$136.38
<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>\$1,960.38</b>
<b>VP Treasury (Budget \$800)</b>			<b>-\$630.38</b>



*Come in out of the cold and join us  
for a Village Painters activity for  
fun, friends, and building your*

# Christmas Party at Burton Manor: We Gather As Friends



Centerpiece



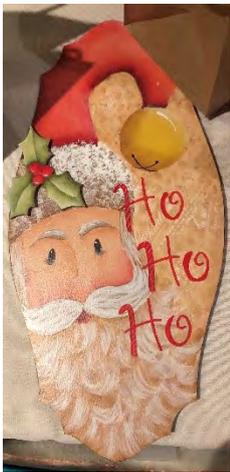
Favors

## Ornament Exchange



Pence and Special Raffles





The Village Painters proudly presents  
Oldie but Goodie class: Bag Lady  
Saturday, March 14, 2020



Date: Saturday, March 14, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Note: There will be no instructor

Cost: Member \$10; Non-Member \$20  
Deadline: February 29, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**Oldie but Goodie class: Bag Lady; Saturday, March 14, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 Member; \$20 Non Member

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail to: c/o Diane Stiller, 674 W. Canfield, Detroit, MI 48201***

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The Village Painters proudly presents  
Sam Farah – Create pattern by Lynn Andrews: Saturday, April 25, 2020



Date: Saturday, April 25, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Sam will provide prepped surface, pattern, fabric pieces, etc.  
with the goal of finishing this project in class.  
Not recommended for a beginner painter.  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$37; Non-Member \$47  
Deadline: April 2, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.  
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**Sam Farah - Create: Saturday, April 25, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$37 Member; \$47 Non Member

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Tracy Moreau: Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7, 2020**



Chick-a-Dee and Holly Tray, Saturday, June 6



The Paper Poppy, Sunday, June 7

Date: Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7, 2020  
 Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Where: Livonia Senior Center  
 15218 Farmington Rd.  
 Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
 Acrylic Paint: Will be provided

Cost: Member \$35; Non-Member \$45  
 Deadline: May 16, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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**Tracy Moreau: Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, June 6 Chickadee \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$35 Member; \$45 Non Member

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday, June 7, Poppy \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$35 Member; \$45 Non Members

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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The Village Painters proudly presents  
One Day; Two Pillows: Saturday, June 27, 2020



Pattern by Shirley Koenig, Country's Edge Vols. 11 & 7



Pattern by Lynne Deptula

Date: Saturday, June 27, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide  
Note: There is no instructor.

Cost: Member \$10; Non-Member \$20  
Deadline: June 13, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**One Day; Two Pillows: Saturday, June 27, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$10 Member; \$20 Non Member

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020**



Saturday, August 1



Sunday, August 2

Date: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020  
 Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Where: Livonia Senior Center  
 15218 Farmington Rd.  
 Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
 Acrylic Paints: Will be provided

Cost: Member \$35; Non-Member \$45  
 Deadline: July 18, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.  
 Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

**Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, Aug 1: Autumn \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$35 Member; \$45 Non Member

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday, Aug 2: Tuscan Rose \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$25 Member; \$35 Non Members, \$45

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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The Village Painters proudly presents  
Nancy Silver – Witch pattern by Bobbie Takashima: Saturday, September 12, 2020

# Witch

Photo of Project at a later date

Date: Saturday, September 12, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$25; Non-Member \$35  
Deadline: August 15, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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## Nancy Silver - Witch: Saturday, September 12, 2020

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$25 Member; \$35 Non Member

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Santa Video Class: Saturday, October 17, 2020**



Date: Saturday, October 17, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$10; Non-Member \$20  
Deadline: October 3, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.  
Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**Santa Video Class: Saturday, October 17, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$10 Member; \$20 Non Member

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*See you there!!*

**General Meeting  
February 8, 2020  
Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48154**

Next General Meeting



Jan Miller  
28320 7 Mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48152



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## President's Message

I want to let you know a few things that have happened over the past few days with the VP group. Some of you know that this past Saturday's class was cancelled due to the Senior Center being closed. I understand it is being closed until April 5th, due to the Coronavirus concerns. I am not an expert on this matter, but working in the health care business, the information is overwhelming and changes on a daily basis. Please be safe and careful with who you are with, and where you go. Make sure you have plenty of hand sanitizer on hand. If you don't have to go anywhere, don't. It is better to be safe in this situation.

Due to the Senior Center being shut down, we will not be having an April meeting either. At this point, we will not be trying to re-schedule that meeting with the unknown factors of when the Senior Center may open. We still need to be aware that there is a possibility that our June meeting may also be in jeopardy. It has been reported today that we may be looking at months of inclusion. They are saying possibly into August. We will just have to stay positive and vigilant!

Diane will keep us posted on the updates for the upcoming seminars.

I have spoken with Connie in regards to the Debra Welty seminar that she is having at her house at the end of April, and that will be postponed for a later date. I will be sending all of the checks and money back to all of the people that have signed up for that.

Clean Love Project Kit Assembly Event – is also postponed to June 27th. It will be 1 hour longer, so that 3000 kits can be assembled. I appreciate all that wanted to go and support. I registered for 10 spots again. So, if you are still interested in helping, please let me know if this is a good date.

*Sheri Redd*  
President

# Education

*Diane Stiller*

Our Education program is about to begin for the year, so please send me your registration forms as early as possible.

The deadline for Sam's class is April 2nd. Nancy Silver finished painting the Bobbie Takashima Witch so the photo has been added to the registration form. Please note in case you have an old registration form that the date for the very last class which is the Santa video class was changed to October 24.

Please note that if you are a member of Village Painters, but have not renewed your membership with SDP yet, then you will need to pay the non-member fee for the class. So please make sure that you are current with your dues.

## Education Committee

I am going to set up a meeting in July to discuss ideas for the 2021 education program. There will be a sign up sheet at the June meeting for those who would like to volunteer to be a member of the Education Committee. I would like input as to what is working and what is not. I still feel that we need to freshen up the program to attract more people to register for classes. I would especially like to focus on the classes without a Big Brush teacher which for this year amount to 5. Should we have fewer classes?

## Proposed Mini Conference Idea

I proposed to the Board a radical change for the Big Brushes next year. I am going to set up a separate committee to explore the idea of replicating what SDP is doing with their new mini conferences. We could have 2 to 3 Big Brushes teach on the same weekend either in the Activity, Dining, and Card rooms in the Livonia Senior Center or even another venue. Each Big Brush would teach 2 days (or 3 if we add a Friday). I would try to have a vendor like Hofcraft set up an area to sell painting supplies. This would be to try to fill the gap of no HOOT, no Michigan Mixer, and a whole bunch of members not wanting to travel long distances to conferences in Oklahoma, Las Vegas, etc. There will be a sign up sheet at the June meeting for those who would like to volunteer to discuss the feasibility of this idea.

## ***Village Painters Have a Fun Night***

This just **may** be the headline you'll be seeing in one of our newsletters. How about we get together for some fun & friendship without the paint brushes. We could enjoy an evening of laughter & food at Big Tommy's Comedy Club. This is an evening that also has a benefit of enriching our budget.

The Comedy Club is located at Big Tommy's Parthenon & Comedy Club at 40380 Grand River, in Novi. All we have to do is purchase a ticket for the show at \$20.00 a person. Big Tommy's receives \$6 from each ticket sold. This means we would receive \$14.00 from each ticket sold while having dinner and enjoying the show with good friends.

This is not a fund raiser for us. This is a fun evening, something different for us to do as a group. We would have fun & also have extra money in the Village Painter's bank account.

At the June meeting I will give you more information about this fun evening & have a sheet for you to initial to indicate your interest.

Thanks,

*Connie*

## Memory Box Project

Thanks to everyone who picked up a Memory Box at the February meeting. All 24 were taken! Please bring them, BASECOATED, to the June meeting. They will be our after meeting project.

REMINDER: Suggested basecoat colors:  
Delta Leaf Green - inside of box and lid.  
Americana Green Tea - basecoat outside of box and lid.

Paints to bring: Americana: Leaf Green, Moon Yellow, Raw Sienna, White, and any Red/Pink to rouge the cheeks.

Brushes, including a 1/2" or 3/4" angle, liner, and a stylus

We look forward to painting with you in June.

*Rondi and Dawn*



## Christmas Party Update

This year's Christmas party will be on **Wednesday, December 2nd** at the Vista Tech Center at Schoolcraft College.

The Christmas committee is in need of volunteers to help paint sets of three plates that will have the same Santa painted on all three plates.

To help prevent more than one set of plates with the same Santa, I am asking that volunteers make a copy of the Santa they want to paint with their name and phone number on it so I can keep track of which Santa has already been painted and who need pencils. If you would like to paint more than one set you will need copies of each Santa you want to paint.

*Barbara Derby*

### March Birthdays

- 2 Kathy Helm*
- 4 Diana Winn*
- 8 Shelley Lackey*
- 11 Barbara Derby*
- 13 Jean Trimpe*
- 14 Louise Hastings*



### April Birthdays

- 1 Joyce Kuzera*
- 7 Sandra Ledger*
- 11 Janis Creswell*
- 21 Cathy McClendon*
- 24 Sue Vella*
- 29 Sally Thirjung*
- 30 Margaret Pedersen*



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## 2020 Calendar of Events

April 25	Lynn Andrew's Create Sam Farah
June 6 & 7	Tracy Moreau
June 27	Fabric Pillows
August 1 & 2	Judy Westegaard-Jenkins
September 12	Takashima Witch Nancy Silver
October 17	Santa Video class
September 25-27	Fall Retreat
December 2	Christmas Party

## General Meetings

Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48154  
Social time begins at 6:00, Business meeting at 6:45

2020 General Meeting Dates:

~~April 2~~ CANCELLED

June 4

August 6

October 1

## Board Meetings

6:00 p.m.

Plymouth District Library

January 2, March 5, May 7, September, November

## Your 2020 Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

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### **Newsletter**

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### **Learn to Paint**

### **Paint with Us 2021**

### **Spring Fling 2021**

Paula Atkinson

### **Ways and Means**

Loretta Huebler

Cathy McClendon

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### **Audit**

Susan Rhodes

### **August Picnic**

Connie Vasilnek

Susan Rhodes

Denise Robert

### **Christmas Party**

Barbara Derby

### **Community Service**

### **Hospitality**

Dawn Billiau

### **Fall Retreat 2020**

Paula Atkinson

### **Memory Boxes**

Margaret Pedersen

### **Nominations**

### **Pence**

Loretta Huebler

### **Secret Pal**

Cathy McClendon

### **Seminar Hostess**

Margaret Pedersen

### **Sunshine**

Connie Vasilnek

### **Treasure Boxes**



## ***Fall Retreat***

September 25-27, 2020

Join us for a

*“Woodland Painting Party”*

At Skyline Camp and Conference Center  
in Almont, MI.

Registration forms will be available at the April meeting.

Look for finished projects at the February meeting.

Info will be on website soon.

You won't want to miss this chance to have quality time  
with your fellow Village Painters.



### *Ways and Means*

We would like to thank our members who have donated items to the Ways and Means this year: Denise Robert, Karen Capshaw, Rondi Bur and Karen Lavella.

If you find that you have surfaces, patterns or newer books that you no longer want, Ways and Means would love you to donate them to the club.

Thank you,

*Cathy and Loretta*



## Village Painters Financial Report January 1 to March 1, 2020

<b>Income:</b>	
Education - Seminars	\$ 880.00
General Meeting: Saturday Event	\$ 180.00
Membership	\$ 105.00
Ways and Means	\$ 115.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$ 1,280.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
August Picnic	\$ 57.08
Corporate Expenses	\$ 42.40
Education Seminars	\$ 124.17
General Meeting	\$ 198.06
Memory Boxes	\$ 48.48
Rent - General Meeting	\$ 100.00
Ways and Means Expenses	\$ 33.93
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 604.12</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$ 675.88</b>

<b>Checkbook Balances:</b>	
Checkbook Balance on 1/1/2020	\$ 8,250.10
Checkbook Balance on 3/1/2020	\$ 8,925.98
<b>Pence Used</b>	215
<b>Hostess Used</b>	110
<b>Village Painters CD</b>	<b>\$ 10,620.00</b>

Check out the other Michigan clubs:

Heritage Decorative Artists of Southeast MI—Facebook

GLDA—Facebook

Heart of Michigan decorative artists—FB only

NEDA—Nedaoftc.org

WMDA—hastingscountry.com

Check out  
**MICHIGAN MIXER**  
on Facebook  
for club newsletters  
and other interesting  
information.

## SOCIETY OF DECORATIVE PAINTERS

### ~ MEMBERSHIP REMINDER ~

Just a quick reminder to renew your Society of Decorative Painters (SDP) membership. The Village Painters is an affiliated chapter of SDP. SDP requires that all members of its chapters are also members of the over-arching SDP organization.

If you have not renewed your Society of Decorative Painters membership and have paid your Village Painters membership for 2020, you will receive the Village Painters newsletter.

Only Village Painters members who have renewed their SDP membership will be eligible for membership rates for Village Painters activities.

# Scrapbook Memories

## February Meeting Show & Tell



Sam Farah



Eileen Carroll



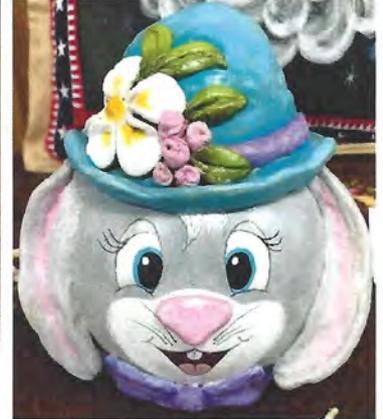
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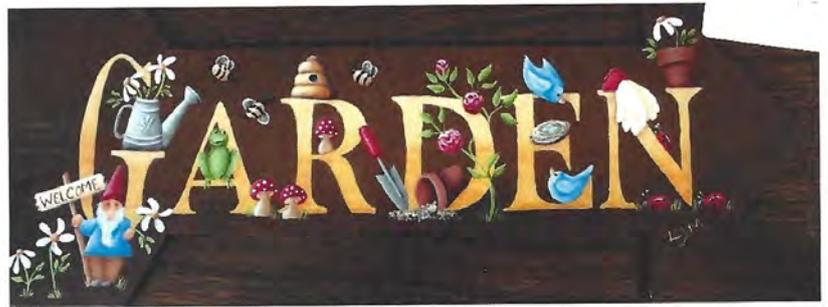
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Dawn Billiau



Linda Morgan

### Memory & Treasure Boxes



Sam Farah



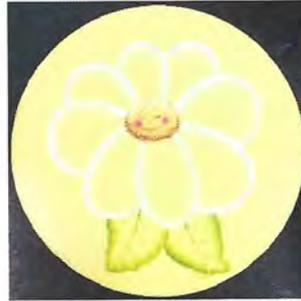
Eileen Carroll



Rondi Bur



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Rondi Bur



### February Meeting Painting Project instructed by Rondi Bur



The Village Painters proudly presents  
Sam Farah – Create pattern by Lynn Andrews: Saturday, April 25, 2020



Date: Saturday, April 25, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Sam will provide prepped surface, pattern, fabric pieces, etc.  
with the goal of finishing this project in class.  
Not recommended for a beginner painter.  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$37; Non-Member \$47  
Deadline: April 2, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.  
Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**Sam Farah - Create: Saturday, April 25, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$37 Member; \$47 Non Member

***Make check payable to: The Village Painters  
Mail to: c/o Diane Stiller, 674 W. Canfield, Detroit, MI 48201***

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The Village Painters proudly presents  
Tracy Moreau: Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7, 2020



Chick-a-Dee and Holly Tray, Saturday, June 6



The Paper Poppy, Sunday, June 7

Date: Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: Will be provided

Cost: Member \$35; Non-Member \$45  
Deadline: May 16, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**Tracy Moreau: Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, June 6 Chickadee \_\_\_\_\_  
\$35 Member; \$45 Non Member

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday, June 7, Poppy \_\_\_\_\_  
\$35 Member; \$45 Non Members

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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The Village Painters proudly presents  
One Day; Two Pillows: Saturday, June 27, 2020



Pattern by Shirley Koenig, Country's Edge Vols. 11 & 7



Pattern by Lynne Deptula

Date: Saturday, June 27, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide  
Note: There is no instructor.

Cost: Member \$10; Non-Member \$20  
Deadline: June 13, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**One Day; Two Pillows: Saturday, June 27, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$10 Member; \$20 Non Member

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020**



Saturday, August 1



Sunday, August 2

Date: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020  
 Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Where: Livonia Senior Center  
 15218 Farmington Rd.  
 Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
 Acrylic Paints: Will be provided

Cost: Member \$35; Non-Member \$45  
 Deadline: July 18, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.  
 Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

**Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, Aug 1: Autumn \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$35 Member; \$45 Non Member

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday, Aug 2: Tuscan Rose \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$25 Member; \$35 Non Members, \$45

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Nancy Silver – Witch pattern by Bobbie Takashima: Saturday, September 12, 2020**



Date: Saturday, September 12, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$25; Non-Member \$35  
Deadline: August 15, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**Nancy Silver - Witch: Saturday, September 12, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$25 Member; \$35 Non Member

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Santa Video Class: Saturday, October 24, 2020**



Date: Saturday, October 24, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$10; Non-Member \$20  
Deadline: October 3, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or [dianestiller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianestiller@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or cannot attend.

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**Santa Video Class: Saturday, October 24, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$10 Member; \$20 Non Member

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*See you there!!*

**General Meeting  
June 4, 2020  
Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48154**

Next General Meeting



Jan Miller  
28320 7 Mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48152



# VILLAGE NEWS AND VIEWS

May/June 2020

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## President's Message

May usually is one of my favorite times of the year! All of the pretty flowers and trees are starting to bloom! You can smell the fresh, clean air brewing! The nice warm sun feels good all over! It's just a great time for Michigander's who have been cooped up all winter long, to get out and enjoy everything we have to offer in our State. Our State's, well really our World's story is a little different right now though, isn't it? We are still able to see all the pretty flowers and trees, and smell the fresh crisp air, but we are not quite able to go to the parks, and beaches quite yet because of this pandemic. We will get there though!

We have all been affected one way or another by this pandemic. For those of you that have personally witnessed loss of a loved one, illness brought on by this disease, have lost a job, felt isolated... please know that I am truly sorry for what you are going through. It is not easy. I understand it, and I am right there with you.

As we move forward with our lives, we are all going to have to adjust to the constant changing environments around us. That also holds true for our organization. The Livonia Senior Center put out a statement last week that the center will be shut down 'until further notice'. This puts everyone in this community that relies on that center in limbo. We now have to think of different ways to have our meetings and seminars.

With that being said, the majority of our members are at risk for this disease. Which poses these questions: What should we do? What do members want? How do we plan for the rest of the year? The board has made the decision to cancel the June 4<sup>th</sup> general meeting, since we do not know if the Senior Center will be open anyway. Plus, we felt it was too soon to try and find another place to get everyone together for a meeting.

I will be sending out a survey to every one of our members in the next few days. I would like you to reply, and send it back to me as soon as you can.

Thank you and stay safe!

*Sheri*

## **For Community Service**

27 memory boxes were passed out at the February meeting this year. It was Rondi's intention to have everyone basecoat the boxes, and bring them back to the April meeting where we were to paint a design on them that she had planned, or you could paint a design of your choosing. Since we did not have an April meeting, and may not have a meeting any time soon, we are putting the design pattern in this newsletter, and on the website for you to complete the box. Someone will get back with you at a later date to let you know when we will be collecting those boxes, since we are not sure when the hospitals are able to accept outside packages yet. Thank you for your continued support in this program!

Clean Love Project Assembly Kit Program was rescheduled to June 27<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 4. I have 10 spots available for anyone who may want to go put kits together. She is very behind in supporting the demand for her products. Lacey needs to have 3000 kits put together at this event. Gloves and masks are needed to be there. I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND IF YOU DON'T WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT. I do have another way that you can make a difference for this organization. I have canvas tote bags and black and tan cosmetic zip bags that we can paint some designs on and donate them to her organization. Here are a few that I have painted to give you an idea...



Also, Pat Butler came up with an idea to paint on bars of soap. She will be giving me 30 bars of soap. She will be supplying with the directions on how to paint and seal them. Karen Capshaw has donated 10 canvas totes to be painted. I have also donated this first round of canvas totes and cosmetic bags. I would love for this project to be a continued throughout the year. I showed my niece the pictures of the totes, and she was very excited for them.

I am looking for volunteers to paint canvas totes, canvas cosmetic bags, and soap bars. I will deliver them to your house, and will pick them up. I would like to have them picked by June 24<sup>th</sup>, just before the kit assembly event. Thank you for your anticipated participation!!!

## **October is Decorative Painting Month**

The Society of Decorative Painters (SDP) promotes October as being Decorative Painting Month. We are encouraged to promote this annual event. The Board discussed the idea of creating a packet that can be sent out to members that they can share with their families, or non-painters, etc. The packet may include a Thank you card for first responders, and/or cards for senior citizens that are in facilities. The details have not been ironed out yet. Once we get them together, we will share them with you! Stay tuned!

## Education

*Diane Stiller*

COVID-19 has really wreaked havoc on the education program for this year. To recap: the Bag Lady class was cancelled; the Tracy Moreau and 2 Pillow classes will be rescheduled in 2021. Sam's Create class was moved to June 27, replacing the 2 Pillow class. Hopefully we can salvage the rest of the year but we don't know when the Livonia Senior Center will reopen and what restrictions there may be going forward. We also don't know your comfort level in attending classes this year. Sheri Redd will be sending out a survey and it is extremely important for everyone to promptly reply so that we can understand and address any concerns that you have and make appropriate decisions for the activities that are planned for the remainder of the year. At this point I am going to remain optimistic and hope that we can hold the rest of the classes. If I need to cancel any class, I would like to do so on an individual basis versus a wholesale cancellation of all the classes this year given that circumstances can change month to month. Refunds were issued for cancelled classes. Keep checking your email for announcements about classes so you don't miss out.

In the last newsletter I wrote about scheduling some meetings to discuss the education program and the possibility of a mini conference in 2021. I am tabling those discussions until some of the uncertainties that we are facing now are resolved. At the rate we are going, I may wind up re-scheduling most, if not all, of this year's classes to next year.

### *Footprints on our Heart*

Thank you all for your kind expressions of sympathy for my Mom. We were lucky that she was in hospice in a facility that allowed one person at a time to visit her while the others waited in the car in the parking lot. It doesn't seem quite real yet since we can't make the traditional funeral arrangements. We hope to have a memorial later in the year when the restrictions are lifted.

#### May Birthdays

18<sup>th</sup> Cindy Mullins

25<sup>th</sup> Sheri Redd

26<sup>th</sup> Joan Mueller



#### June Birthdays

4<sup>th</sup> Susan Hazelton

5<sup>th</sup> Kim Eash

10<sup>th</sup> Debia Keeling

11<sup>th</sup> Prudy Vannier

12<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Cunningham

30<sup>th</sup> Gale Copple

# Memory Box Project

Hi Ladies.

Thanks to all who took home the 27 Memory Boxes from the February meeting. The plan was to paint them together at the April meeting which, of course, didn't happen due to the virus. So we are including the pattern for you to paint on the boxes. This is very quick and easy but feel free to choose another design if you prefer.

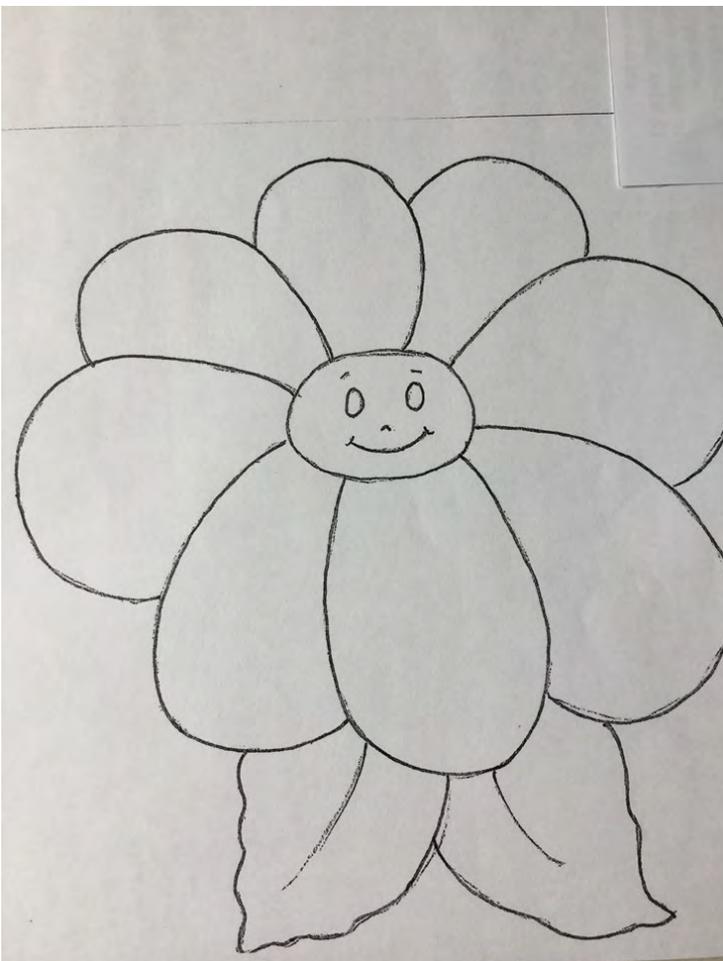
We suggested you basecoat the insides (top & bottom) Delta Leaf Green, and the outsides (top & bottom) Americana Green Tea. Again, feel free to choose other colors.

We hope and pray we will be painting together again soon. Stay healthy.

Rondi & Dawn

## BIG DAISY MEMORY BOX

1. Transfer pattern - not face - very lightly with well worn graphite.
2. Moon Yellow - paint center - one coat only
3. Leaf Green - float outer edge of leaves
4. White - float outer edge of petals
5. Leaf Green - line vein lines
6. Moon Yellow - 2nd coat in center
7. Re-do petals and leaves, if necessary
8. Raw Sienna - shade bottom half of center
9. White - HL top half of center
10. Thinned Raw Sienna and liner - softly apply face pattern
11. Red/Pink - rouge cheeks
12. White, Yellow, Raw Sienna - add dots around center



## Save the Date

Sept. 25,26,27 2020

For our

## Woodland Painting Party Fall Retreat

Hi Ladies,

Your committee has been meeting by Zoom to make plans for another fun weekend.

We realize there is much uncertainty in this challenging time.

Your committee is continuing on with our preparations in hopes that we may all be together in the fall. If that is not possible we have already booked the same weekend in 2021 with Skyline.

A final decision will be made in August. Registrations will be available then if needed.

Sheri is sending out a questionnaire in regards to your feelings of attending events for this year. **PLEASE** answer the questionnaire so we will know more on how to go forward.

Any questions feel free to contact me at paulawog43@aol.com

*Paula Atkinson*

### 2 Whole day Projects:



### ½ day projects:





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~~June 4~~ CANCELLED

August 6

October 1

## Board Meetings

6:00 p.m.

July 2, September 3, November 5

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### **Vice President**

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Rondi Bur

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Sheri Redd

### **Library**

Nancy Silver

Theresa Palmer

### **Membership**

Jan Miller

### **Newsletter**

Jan Miller

### **Learn to Paint**

### **Paint with Us 2021**

### **Spring Fling 2021**

Paula Atkinson

### **Ways and Means**

Loretta Huebler

Cathy McClendon

### **Webmaster**

Sheri Redd

### **Audit**

Susan Rhodes

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Connie Vasilnek

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Denise Robert

### **Christmas Party**

Barbara Derby

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Margaret Pedersen

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## Scrapbook Memories

Look what we did during the COVID-19 'Stay at Home' order



Darlene Greenwood



Pat Butler: Memory Boxes



Susan Rhodes



Sally Thirjung: 32 Santa tin can lids



Cindy Mullins has been a very busy lady!



Sheri Redd



Sam Farah

The Village Painters proudly presents  
Sam Farah – Create pattern by Lynn Andrews: Saturday, June 27, 2020



Date: Saturday, June 27, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Sam will provide prepped surface, pattern, fabric pieces, etc.  
with the goal of finishing this project in class.  
Not recommended for a beginner painter.  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$37; Non-Member \$47  
Deadline: June 4, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.  
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**Sam Farah - Create: Saturday, June 27, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020**



Saturday, August 1



Sunday, August 2

Date: Saturday & Sunday, August 1 & 2, 2020  
 Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Where: Livonia Senior Center  
 15218 Farmington Rd.  
 Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
 Acrylic Paints: Will be provided

Cost: Member \$35; Non-Member \$45  
 Deadline: July 18, 2020

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, Aug 1: Autumn \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$35 Member; \$45 Non Member  
 Sunday, Aug 2: Tuscan Rose \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$25 Member; \$35 Non Members, \$45  
 Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

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The Village Painters proudly presents  
Nancy Silver – Witch pattern by Bobbie Takashima: Saturday, September 12, 2020



Date: Saturday, September 12, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$25; Non-Member \$35  
Deadline: August 15, 2020

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**Nancy Silver - Witch: Saturday, September 12, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$25 Member; \$35 Non Member

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**The Village Painters proudly presents  
Santa Video Class: Saturday, October 24, 2020**



Date: Saturday, October 24, 2020  
Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Where: Livonia Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154

Surface: You provide  
Acrylic Paint: You provide

Cost: Member \$10; Non-Member \$20  
Deadline: October 3, 2020

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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## President's Message

I have been reflecting on how life has really changed in the past few months. I have had to take a hard look at how fast time goes by... how precious life truly is... how to make every moment count with the ones I love... and to be thankful for all the lessons (even the hard ones) life has to offer. It has truly been challenging.

Being the President of this organization, at this time, leads to some difficult challenges. Thankfully, I have a wonderful group of board members to discuss how this organization can move forward safely. Our members have spoken, and we hear you. For the safety of all our members, we will not be having the Christmas party this year, and the Spring Fling will be postponed until 2022. That doesn't really leave the Village Painters with much to do. But... I have hope that we can still be inspired by what we love to do!

So, the challenge becomes... what can we do differently to still stay connected with one another. Many of us have been friends for many years. Some of us are newer to the organization, and may not know too many people... so what do we do? September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m., I will be inviting you all to a "Learn to Zoom" informal meeting. This will be a practice run for the future months ahead. We all need to try and get comfortable with Zoom if we want to stay connected! It is kind of fun! We would like to help work out the bugs with everyone... so... WE CAN DO IT!!! There are a few of us that are already taking zoom classes for art lessons; or using zoom to help with school for their kids and grandchildren; or using zoom for meetings.

We are still going to have our October 1<sup>st</sup> General Meeting. This will be a zoom meeting. During this meeting, we will have the opportunity to show off our creations from the 'Challenge' that Rondi and Dawn have put together for us to do. (You will read more about that later in the Newsletter.) We will be able to chat and catch up with others. If you would like to share what you have been working on, this will be our first virtual 'Show and Tell'! We won't have to worry about driving in the dark, or worry about bad weather!

There are a few of us that are learning about how to teach using zoom. It is our hope that in November, Diane Stiller will lead us through painting the Christmas pillow that she had offered as a regular class. It may be a while before we are all able to get together and have regular seminars, so this is the next best thing during this situation!

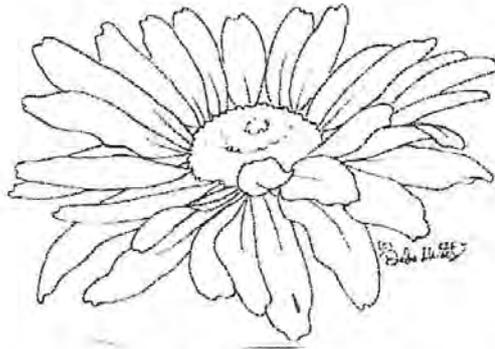
In December, we will have some sort of zoom Christmas gathering! We will be working on the details, and will get back with you at a later time.

Thank you for your patience, time, and energy!

Sheri

Many years ago Village Painters members were given a wooden bowl and, as a Challenge, were asked to paint “whatever” they wanted in the bowl. The results were awesome. So, to go with this crazy year, where we all need a little help getting motivated, we are presenting your:

“CHALLENGE” for October, 2020!



Yup, this is it! Have Fun!!! (printed with permission from Debra Welty)

We are asking you to start with this drawing and: Enlarge it, reduce it, add to it..... Flowers, butterflies, bugs, pumpkins! etc.....whatever you want. Be Creative!

Paint it on fabric, or with watercolor, oil, acrylic.....zentangle it, mud it.....your choice! The possibilities are endless. Let your Creativity Flow!!!

There will be a General Zoom Meeting in October to share everyone’s CREATIVE results. The names of all of those who participated will be put in a drawing and prizes will be given to the first three names drawn.

We are excited to see everyone’s creations.  
Thanks, Dawn Billiau and Rondi Bur

## Community Service

With all that is going on in the World today, our ladies do not disappoint when it comes to helping our community! We aren't able to have meetings with our group, have a Christmas party, or our Spring Fling until 2022. We are still able to paint, sew, and craft! We still are willing to donate whatever we can, whenever we can.

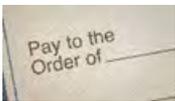
We have decided that on Saturday, November 14th from 12 to 2, in the Livonia Senior Center's parking lot...Board members will be collecting donations for the community service projects that we have been supporting...since we are not having our Christmas party. We will be collecting donations for...

Toys for Tots

Salvation Army (non-perishable canned food)

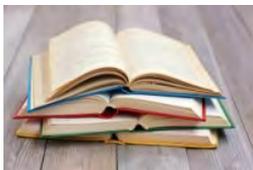
Goodfellow's—Toys

The Clean Love Project—feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes, travel soaps and shampoos, deodorant, etc.



If you would like to give a monetary donation, please write a check made out to the Village Painters. You can either bring it to this event, or you can send it to Kathy Fischer. (Make sure you indicate on your check where you would like your donation to go to.)

This will also be a perfect opportunity for anyone that took a memory box at the February meeting, to bring your finished boxes back to us! We will also take any finished treasure boxes you may have!



Kathy Fischer is also asking for book donations for the 2 Little Library's that are in the park by her house. She says that she is in great need of any books during these times. If you have books that you need to unload now, please give her a call to make the necessary arrangements to get them to her. If not, bring what you can to the November 14th event!

I have more bags to paint for the clean love project. I will send a notice out asking who would like to paint them, and I will deliver on the weekends. Bags can be returned to me at this event also.

Other news...

Barbara Derby will also be there to receive any Santa plates that have been painted for next year's Christmas party. The date for the next Christmas party is December 2n, 2021! She will also be handing out more plates to be painted. She is passing out 3 per person. She would like a picture of the Santa that you will be painting on the plates, so she can keep track of them.

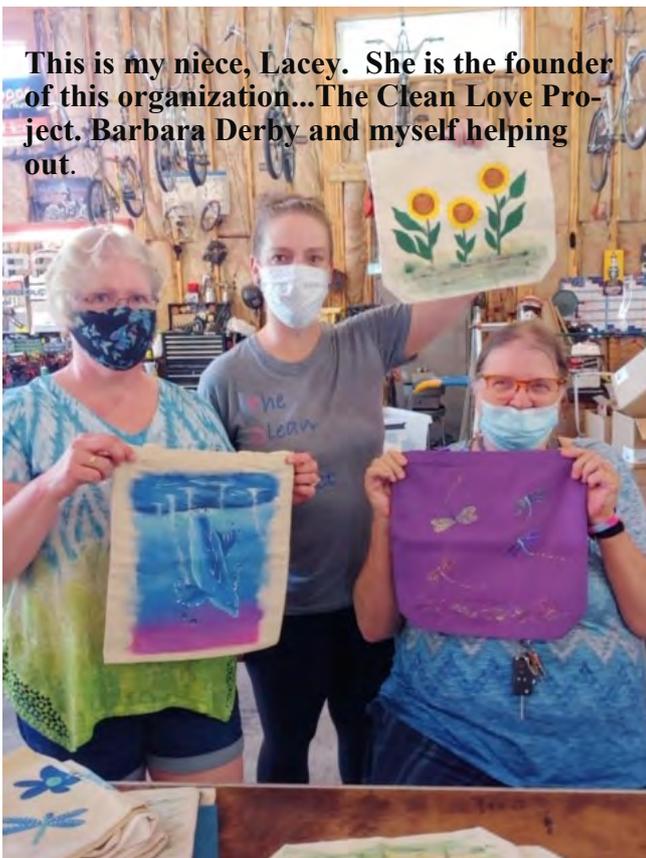
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On June 27<sup>th</sup>, The Clean Love Project had their kit assembly event. We were tasked to complete 3000 hygiene kits for people in need. My niece, Lacey, did a wonderful job orchestrating the event. We did hit 3000 kits in the 4 hours that we were there. It was hard, fast work! It is amazing to me, how much good there still is in people to want to help others. It's great to see, especially now! I was able to take 60 hand painted totes, some canvas cosmetic bags, painted soaps, and other items that our members had donated to the cause. I am going to share with you, some of the pictures of the totes that were painted. Some were stenciled, some were free hand drawings, some were patterns! They all looked amazing! My niece was very thankful for all the donations! She is using those bags for the ladies at the homeless shelters.

My niece is having another kit assembly event on September 26<sup>th</sup> from 12 -3. If you would like to paint some canvas totes, please let me know! I can deliver some to you. I found some bags that are easy to paint on, and they are different colors. I am really sorry if I did not get back with anyone about painting bags, or picking up bags from some of you before this last event. I got called back to work, and I was having a hard time adjusting going back to work. But I can pick up any bags you would like to donate, or send you bags that you would like to paint.



This is my niece's garage!



This is my niece, Lacey. She is the founder of this organization...The Clean Love Project. Barbara Derby and myself helping out.



More friends helping...Lori and Elena Sisk!



My sister, Diane...  
and my son, Jarod!



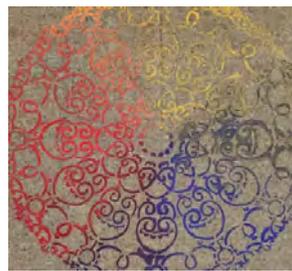
My  
nephew,  
Chris!

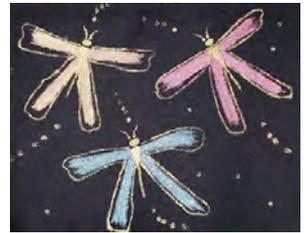


Filling the wonderful  
bags that our group has  
painted.



**What a wonderful job these ladies have done with these bags!**





## 2021 Nominations

October is the time when we nominate and vote for members that are moving into their positions for the next year. It really has been a difficult year for everyone. Some of the board members have agreed to stay in their positions for the year 2021, since there really wasn't much going on this year with everything needing to be cancelled or postponed. Some of the current board members will not be hanging onto their positions, and that's OK. It still may be a while before we, as a group, are able to get back together. Following is a list of board positions with the members that are staying on in their positions. The empty positions are open for anyone to volunteer for. I appreciate all who have worked over the past year, and look forward to trying some new things for the year to come! I shouldn't need to remind everyone of this, but I feel I need to... we are a Chapter of the SDP... therefore all VP members must also be SDP members. Please consider that before signing up for any open positions.

Thank you!

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*Vice President	
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*By Laws	Sheri Redd
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