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President's Corner

Good Day Ladies,

I'm baaacccccckkkk! And I am delighted to be.

I cannot thank Sheri enough for stepping in when I was overwhelmed with life. Thank YOU! Thank You! Thank You!!!

I am really excited about taking over the helm at this time. The Village Painters are growing (82 members), mostly due to Diane Stiller's work on ZOOM. Thank you, Diane. We currently have members all over the United States. I think that is very cool. Many chapters did not survive the pandemic, and we not only survived but grew and because of that we automatically qualify for the Chapter Achievement Award. Pat yourself on the back.

Your board is currently working on bringing our document retention program into the 21st century. Kathy Fischer has led the task force in this endeavor. Thank you, Kathy.

I am currently leading a task force to look at our jobs and their descriptions with the goal of streamlining them to make it easier for everyone to be able to take a more active part.

So, here's to another great year of fun, friends and painting.

Linda





**Thank you to our newest
board members!**
Linda Christopher, President
Denise Robert, Vice-President
Connie Vasilnek, Sunshine



April General Meeting News— NOTE THE TIME!!

APRIL 8 at 6 pm.

Our theme is:

SPRING AND EASTER

Put on your Easter bonnet, bring along your Easter basket of goodies to virtually share, and join in on some fun.

Bring your Easter or Spring themed Show-N-Tell items, and other pieces you're anxious to show us.

And now for the (optional) fun part:

Create an Easter/Spring themed project to include something from the following list:

Spring flowers, bunnies, eggs, ducks, etc... You get the idea.

OR

Tell a joke.

Come check in on ZOOM with us

On APRIL 8 at 6 pm.



March Birthdays

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

April Birthdays

- 6 Linda Kapp*
- 7 Sandra Ledger*
- 11 Janis Creswell*
- 20 Sue Vella*
- 21 Cathy McClendon*
- 29 Sally Thirjung*
- 30 Margaret Pedersen*



We are saddened by the passing of
of our former member, Gale Cope.
This sweet lady will be truly missed.

2021 Calendar of Events

All classes listed are ZOOM classes.

Instructions follow later in this newsletter for using Zoom. It really is easy, and so worth it.

- Mar 13, 10 am—Tracy Moreau's A Calm Sea
SDP Paint-in, mixed media, by Kathy Ziembra
- Apr 10, 10 am—Jill Fitzhenry's Forever Loved
Acrylic, Led by Nancy Silver
- May 22, 10 am—Garden Pavers
Acrylic & Quickwood, led by Kathy Ziembra
- Jun 9, 10am—Lydia Steeves' Chickadee on Branch
SDP Paint-In, CP, led by Linda Christopher
- Jun 12 10 am—Susan Boerman's Steampunk Owl
Acrylic & CP, led by Michelle Handley
- Jul 10, 10am—Garden Angel Spindle
Acrylic—self directed
- Aug 7, 10am—Shrinky Dink Leaves Necklace
Acrylic, Taught by Jan Heins
- Aug 12, 5-8 pm Picnic
- Sep 8, 10 am—Peggy Harris' Boo Bunnies
SDP Paint-In, Acrylic, Led by Diane Stiller
- Sep 11, 10am—Faythe Nelson's Christmas Rose
Acrylic, Taught by Rondi Bur
- Sept 24-26 Fall Retreat
- Oct 9, 10am—Paulette DiGesare's Pumpkin
In the Field
Acrylic, Taught by Connie Vasilnek
- Nov 13, 10am—Judy Ribitch's Poinsettia
Taught by Judy Ribitch
- Dec 2—Christmas Party
- Dec 11, 10 am—Shara Reiner's Snow Days



To our newest members:

Fransien Garrett

Sherill Martens

Margaret Molenda

Regina (Reggie) Oswald

Janet Reynolds

Judy Ribitch

Carolyn Swasey



General Meetings

Apr 8, June 3, Oct 7

will be held by ZOOM

at 6:00 pm

August 12, 5-8 pm Picnic

Live at Plymouth Township Park

December 2 - Christmas Party

Board Meetings

will be held by ZOOM

Mar 4, May 6, July 8 if needed,

Sept 2, Nov 4

At 6:30 pm

The Village Painters 2021 Zoom Classes



January 9, Saturday
Black & White Wolf
By Pat Lentine, color pencil
Linda Christopher



February 13, Saturday
Hummingbird
By Sherry Nelson, Acrylics
Diane Stiller



March 13, Saturday
A Calm Sea (SDP Paint In)
By Tracy Moreau, Mixed Media
Kathy Ziemba



April 10, Saturday
Forever Loved
By Jill Fitzhenry, Acrylics
Nancy Silver



May 22, Saturday
Project: Three Garden Pavers & QuikWood
By Kathy Ziemba
Kathy Ziemba



June 9, Wednesday
Chickadee on Branch (SDP Paint-In)
By Lydia Steeves, Color Pencil
Linda Christopher



June 12, Saturday
Steampunk Owl
By Susan Boerman, Acrylic & CP
Michelle Handley



July 10, Saturday
Project: Garden Angel
Self Directed



August 7, Saturday
Shrinky Dink Leaves Necklace

Jan Heins

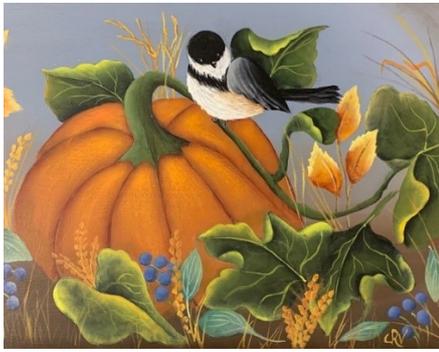


September 8, Wednesday
Boo Bunnies (SDP Paint-In)
By Peggy Harris, Acrylics
Diane Stiller



September 11, Saturday
Christmas Rose (Choice of color scheme)
By Faythe Nelson, Acrylics
Rondi Bur





October 9, Saturday
Pumpkin in the Field
By Paulette DiGesare, Acrylics



November 13, Saturday
Project: Poinsettia
By Judy Ribitch



December 11, Saturday
Snow Days (SDP Paint In)
By Shara Reiner, Acrylics

Education: Diane Stiller

The hummingbird zoom class was instructed by Diane Stiller with permission from Sherry Nelson. There were 23 participants. Everyone had a great time. Check out the photos and see how well everyone did.

Next up is A Calm Sea, a pattern by Tracy Moreau and part of the SDP paint-in program. Kathy Ziembra will be teaching this mixed media class.

In April Nancy Silver will teach Jill Fitzhenry's pattern, Forever Loved Rose. I hope everyone is taking advantage of the 30% discount that Jill is allowing for anything purchased on her web site through April 30. If you would like to register for this class, there is still time to let me know. The deadline is April 2. I hope to email the pattern, supply list, and prep instructions sometime this week. Don't forget that you need to purchase the e-packet yourself. Nancy's supply list and prep instructions will be a little different than what the e-packet says.

In May, Kathy Ziembra will teach three garden paver and Quik Wood designs. You may want to purchase the Quik Wood for the project as soon as possible given that some of the stores that we rely on to purchase it from may be out of it. Bear with Us, which is going out of business, still has some. Put "wood epoxy" to search for it on their web site. Once they are out of it, they will no longer stock it. You will need two 2 oz tubes, maybe three just to be safe; depends on how large you make your Quik Wood designs.

If you want to participate in any of the zoom classes, please send in your registration form. Don't miss including your phone number and email address so that I can contact you! If you are not registered, I don't know to send you the pattern, supply list, and prep instructions.

DID YOU KNOW



Especially in this time of isolation, you don't need to stop connecting and painting. There are tons of groups on Face Book offering classes, videos, sharing, and chatting. It's fun to see what others have been painting and to continue to learn new techniques.

Here are just some of the Facebook groups:

Paint Happens, Artful Webinars, Tole Painters Unite, Let's Paint With Plaid, Create & Connect, Creative Innovations, Deco Art, Artfully Connected, Artful Endeavors.

Also, many teachers have their own groups. Just log on to Facebook and do a search.

In place of live trade shows, there is Onlinemarket Spot by Crafters and Creatives.

Most of these groups require you to become a member, but that's just to limit the group to people who are interested in painting.

Join the fun and check them out.

The Village Painters Zoom Class Registration Form

Zoom class will be held from 10:00 am - approx. 2:30 pm

Date	Day	Project	Pattern by:	Medium	Instructor	Class Fee		Other Fees		X in box to select class	Registration Deadline	Comment
						Member	Non-Member	e-packet	Supplies			
Jan 9	Sat	Black & White Wolf	Pat Lentine	Color Pencil	Linda Christopher	Free	\$20	\$5	\$0		Dec 27	Diane will order the e-packet
Feb 13	Sat	Hummingbird	Sherry Nelson	Acrylic	Diane Stiller	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		Feb 5	
Mar 13	Sat	A Calm Sea (SDP Paint-In)	Tracy Moreau	Mixed Media	Kathy Ziembra	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		Mar 5	
Apr 10	Sat	Forever Loved	Jill Fitzhenry (Jillybean)	Acrylic	Nancy Silver	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		Apr 2	You will order e-packet; you will receive a 30% discount on all items on her site. Register to receive the code.
May 22	Sat	3 Garden Pavers & Quikwood	Kathy Ziembra	Acrylic/Quikwood	Kathy Ziembra	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		May 14	
June 9	Wed	Chickadee (SDP Paint-In)	Lydia Steeves	Color Pencil	Linda Christopher	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		June 4	
June 12	Sat	Steampunk Owl	Susan Boerman	Acrylic + CP	Michelle Handley	Free	\$20	\$5	\$0		June 4	Diane will order the e-packet
July 10	Sat	Garden Angel Spindle		Acrylic	Self Directed	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		July 2	
Aug 7	Sat	Shrinky Dink Leaves		Acrylic	Jan Heins	Free	\$20	\$0	\$5		July 23	Arrange to pick up materials
Sept 8	Wed	Boo Bunnies (SDP Paint-In)	Peggy Harris	Acrylic	Diane Stiller	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		Sept 3	
Sept 11	Sat	Christmas Rose	Faythe Nelson	Acrylic	Rondi Bur	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		Sept 1	Arrange to pick up mat
Oct 9	Sat	Pumpkin in the Field	Paulette DiGesare	Acrylic	Connie Vasilnek	Free	\$20	\$6	\$0		Sept 24	Diane will order the e-packet
Nov 13	Sat	Poinsettia	Judy Ribitch	Acrylic	Judy Ribitch	Free	\$20	\$5	TBA		Oct 31	Diane will order the e-packet
Dec 11	Sat	Snow Days (SDP Paint-In)	Shara Reiner	Acrylic	Diane Stiller	Free	\$20	\$0	\$0		Dec 3	

Total amount for selected classes \$0 \$ \$ Total = \$ \$ Check #

Yes, I am a member of the Village Painters
 No, I am not a member of the Village Painters

Name _____
 Email Address _____
 Phone # _____
 If a non-member, need address _____

Make check payable to: The Village Painters
Mail to: Diane Stiller, 674 W. Canfield St., Detroit, MI 48201
 If no money is owed, then you can take a photo of the form and email (not text) to dianestiller@sbcglobal.net. Put "VP Registration" as subject.
 Please note that all fees are **non-refundable**. The pattern, supply list, prep, and instructions will be emailed to you.
 In the event that you can't pick up the materials, if noted for a class, then you may need to arrange to send a self-addressed stamped envelope.
 Contact Diane Stiller at 313-720-1836 or dianestiller@sbcglobal.net if you have questions or cannot attend.

MEMORY BOXES and TREASURE BOXES

Thanks to all who continue to paint Memory and Treasure boxes ❤️

I would like to collect any finished boxes at the August 12th picnic. If you are not coming to the picnic, and have finished memory or treasure boxes, please contact me and I will arrange to meet with you to pick them up. I will be bringing more unfinished boxes to the picnic for you to take home. If you have "old" unfinished boxes laying around this would be a great time to finish them so the Treasure Boxes can be delivered to Shriners, and the Memory Boxes to various hospitals. There is a need for more boxes for boys.

You're all awesome!

Thanks,

Rondi Bur 734-718-7984, bursnest@yahoo.com



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Village Painters August Picnic

Please join us on August 12, 2021 for The Village Painters Annual August Picnic from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM!

This year's picnic will be held at the Plymouth Township Park Pavilion located at:

46640 Ann Arbor Trail
Plymouth, MI 48170

We have all missed being together for the last year, therefore we are excited to be planning a somewhat different version of our typical event. We are asking that everyone provide their own picnic meal and drink this year to keep all members comfortable with COVID-19 safety measures. We plan on doing our best to also have the seating reasonably distanced.

We will be having some of our regular general meeting activities including:

Ways & Means

Show & Tell (please limit to 3 items each member due to table space)

Library

Pence Box

The Trunk Sale

More information will follow in upcoming newsletters!

Looking forward to getting back to a little bit of normal!

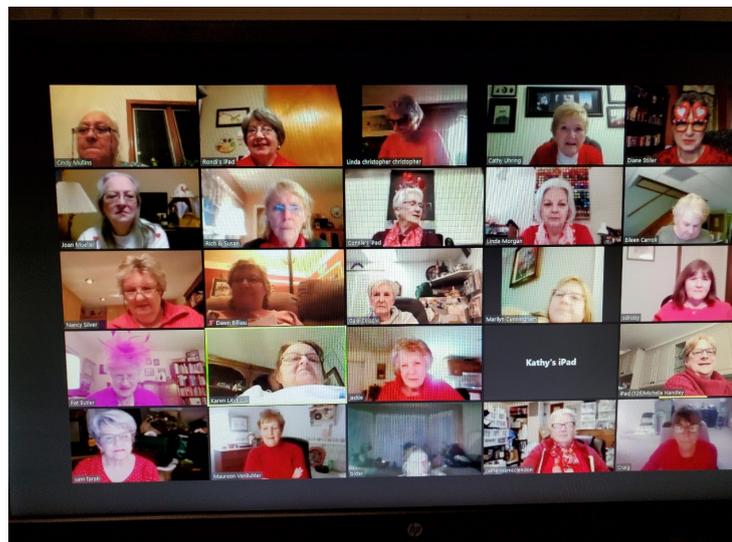
Village Painters Picnic Committee

Connie Vasilnek

Denise Robert

Susan Rhodes

Screenshots from the February General Meeting
Valentine's Party
There was pink everywhere.



Scrapbook Memories

February Zoom General Meeting: Valentine's Day Theme



Kathy Fischer



Pat Butler



Diane Stiller



Connie Vasilnek



Lucy Cunningham



Marilyn Cunningham



Linda Morgan



Karen Capshaw



Connie Vasilnek



Maureen VanBuhler



Sam Farah



Dawn Billiau



Eileen Carroll



Rondi Bur

Pat Butler colored pencil



Susan Rhodes

Kathy Ziemba



Cathy Uhring

Kathy Ziemba



Linda Christopher colored pencil



Pat Butler

Joan Mueller



Joan Mueller

**Diane Stiller Zoom Class
Hummingbird pattern by Sherry Nelson**



Karen Capshaw



Eileen Carroll



Sam Farah



Diane Stiller



Cindy Mullins



Jan Heins



Pam Duffey



Pat Butler



Jackie Wright



Kathy Fischer



JoAnn Smith



Cindy Welsh



Fransien Garrett



Lisa Bovin



Kathy Ziemba



Nancy Silver



Susan Rhodes

Lydia Steeves colored pencil class



Eileen Carroll



Pat Butler