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President's Corner

2022 was our first full year of enjoying each other's company as well as Art after Covid. I believe we did good.

2023 is right around the corner. 2023 will also be our first experience operating without the SDP. We are in good hands.

Diane Stiller will be stepping into the role of President as well as Education Chair. Nancy Silver will serve in the role of Vice-President as well as co-chairing Library with Teresa Palmer. Kathy Fischer and Joan Mueller will be chairing Treasurer. I will move into the Secretary position and stay on as the LSC liaison (our home). Pat Butler is keeping track of all of us as the Membership Chair. Linda Morgan will continue publishing the Newsletter, our most important means of connection. Paula Atkinson and her Spring Fling committee will help us make money to continue on. Susan Rhodes will do Audits. The August Picnic (The Lindas) and Holiday luncheon (Michelle Handley and Dawn Billiau) are planning fun social activities. The Website will be updated and maintained by our webmaster, Jennifer, when requested by the board. Rondi Bur and Cindy Mullins are overseeing the Treasure and Memory Box programs. Cathy Uhring and Margaret Pederson will make sure we have everything needed for Hospitality. Margaret Pederson will reward us with Pence, and Connie Vasilnek will send us loving thoughts when needed.

As with everything in life, it's up to ALL of us; we need to help whenever, wherever, however, we can. As Hilary says, "It takes a Village."

I would like to take this time to thank you for the opportunity of serving in the role as President for this fantastic organization. I have enjoyed every minute.

Looking forward to see all at the Holiday Luncheon.

Linda

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2022

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At Livonia Senior Center 5—9 pm

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Board meetings

6:30 pm by ZOOM

March 10, May 5, July 7, if necessary, September 1, and November 3

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Apr 2 Spring Fling

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MEMORY BOXES - TREASURE BOXES

Thanks to everyone who continue to paint boxes and support two very worthy Community Service Programs.

- Memory Boxes are painted for, and given to, families who have suffered infant loss.

- Treasure Boxes are painted for Shriners Hospitals and are given to children who have extended stays due to long term health issues.

The hospitals that receive these boxes appreciate our concern and help.

Since we are finally back on a regular schedule for our Village Painter meetings we are reinstating the contest for FREE PAID MEMBERSHIP DUES for 2024 to two lucky winners!!!

First, we will combine the names from painted boxes returned during 2022 and 2023. Then we will create a ticket for each painted box and from these tickets ONE ticket will be drawn from Memory Box tickets, and one ticket will be drawn from Treasure Box tickets.

Next, the drawing will be held at the October 2023 meeting. The two names drawn will receive their 2024 membership dues FREE!

We have received several unsigned boxes! Please remember to SIGN your Memory and Treasure Box so we can make sure your name is in the drawing.

Please share your artistic talents with these two community service programs. HAPPY PAINTING!

Thank you,

Memory Box Chairperson, Cindy Mullins



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	Dawn Billiau
Hospitality	Cathy Uhring
	Margaret Pedersen
Memory Boxes	Cindy Mullins
Pence	Margaret Pedersen
Sunshine	Connie Vasilnek
Treasure Boxes	Rondi Bur



November Birthdays

1 Sue Drobyshevski

29 Maryann Muir

December Birthdays

5 Kathy Ziemba

6 Karen Lavella

9 Barb Reinholz

19 Linda Morgan

20 Chris Morrison

27 Vicki Michelle

27 Susan Rhodes

28 Patty Neu

30 Cathy Uhring

31 Judy Ribitch

A quick Spring Fling boutique update:

Still looking for volunteers to set up, cashiers, wrapping, and take down. There are 3 commitments and me so far! Traditionally cashiers and wrapping have been 30 minute slots. Please email me if you can help.

I am also working on an item identification sheet that must be completed BEFORE you drop off your items for sale. I will have tags and red stickers (for items that are to be returned) available at our meetings. The form will be uploaded to an email so it can be printed ahead of the Spring Fling date.

Stay tuned! Ideas are always welcome.

Michelle

SPRING FLING—Any member who would like a seat at a table should contact Cathy McClendon.



Hold still
while I paint
your portrait.

FALL RETREAT at Skyline Camp

Woodland Theme



Personalized hand towels
hung on our room doors



Sam's Creative Critters class



Nancy's Let Heaven and Nature



Centerpieces were adorable fairy/gnome houses topped with beautifully painted teapots



Everyone took home a teacup. 5 lucky winners took home the teapots, and another 5 took home the garden houses

Gnomes created by the retreaters



And the Winners are:

Kathy Ziemba
Dianne Hoegref
Joyce Bennett



Raffle prizes donated. The money raised was given to the Skyline Camp to help provide experiences for less abled children.



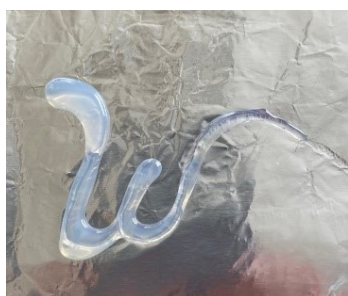
21 ladies had fun painting, eating, going on a hayride, roasting marshmallows over the campfire, playing games, and just having lots of fun,



Education – Diane Stiller

Sixteen members attended Jane Allen's Woodsy Ornament zoom class. The Silicone Glove worked beautifully to keep the Quikwood from sticking to our hands. Jane spent a lot of time walking us through the process using the various sculpting tools and cutters. It's important to note that when you're ready to base coat the ornaments, that you use Adhesion Medium either alone or mixed with the first coat of paint so the paint adheres to the Quikwood more easily.

Nine members attended Kathy Ziemba's SDP's Paint-In zoom class using Kathy Swigon's Boo Pumpkins pattern. Kathy put her own spin on this design using Quikwood and Liquitex Light Modeling Paste. We learned how to make the spider web using non-stick foil and a glue gun. Jackie Wright on Kathy's behalf explained the process at the October meeting. Using a large ball stylus, you draw the pattern or word on the foil which makes an impression; then you trace the impression with the hot glue gun. The wax peels right off of the non-stick foil. Members mentioned that you can also use parchment paper that you can see through to help trace a pattern and the wax won't stick to it. Nice class Kathy! It was fun and we learned a few new things.



Eleven members attended Judy Westegaard-Jenkins' Autumn Smile class. It was interesting to learn that she favors using a white chalk pencil on the scrollwork. Judy also likes to use multiple layers of dry brushing to achieve her results.

She mentioned that she uses ice cube trays purchased from Dollar stores to hold her paint for the project she is painting. Cover the tray with Press and Seal unless the tray comes with a lid. Every once in a while you need to spritz the paint with water to keep it moist. She uses this method for conventions when she needs to bring paint for each student. The paint can last up to 3 weeks in the tray.

Coming up next on zoom for 2022

November 12: Karen Capshaw will teach Deb Mishima's Cotton Candy Twinkles. Registration is now closed. Karen's supply list and prep instructions were emailed.

November 16: Nancy Silver will teach the 4th SDP Paint-In for this year: Rosemary West's Santa pattern. This is a **free** class for members. The e-packet with Nancy's prep instructions was emailed.

Christmas Luncheon Update

The deadline to register is this Saturday, November 12. If you intend to register, please email me so that I look out for your check. I've emailed all members a reminder with the registration form attached.

Show & Tell



A doll with red curly hair, a plaid bow, and a yellow dress, holding a tag that says "love". The doll is standing on a wooden surface.

Eileen Carroll

Meeting Activity: Painting a Flower with a spoon



Jane Allen's Zoom Class: Woodsy Christmas Quikwood Ornaments



Sam Farah



Cindy Mullins



Marilyn Cunningham



Eileen Carroll

Kathy Ziemba's Zoom SDP Paint – In: Boo! pattern by Cathy Swigon



Sam Farah



Diane Stiller



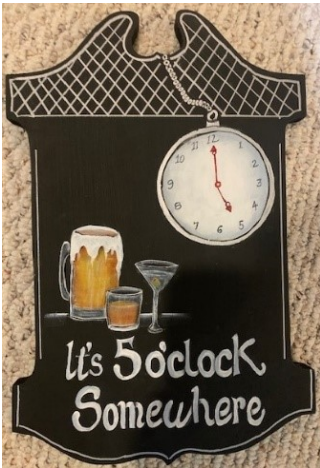
Joan Mueller



Teresa Palmer

Boutique Paint-In at Karen Capshaw's

A big Thank You to Karen for hosting the event at her house and the following members who attended:
Michelle Handley, Cathy Uhring, Rondi Bur, and Diane Stiller.



Michelle Handley



Diane Stiller



Rondi Bur



Cathy Uhring

Judy Westegaard-Jenkin's Zoom Class: Autumn Smile



Connie Vasilnek



Cathy McClendon



Jeannine Laderach

Home Sign Project



Diane Stiller

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Phone # _____

Email _____

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June 8 _____

September 28 _____

November 16 _____



Village Painters Christmas Luncheon
Thursday, December 1, 2022, 12:30 - 3:30

Antonio's Cucina Italiana
26356 Ford Rd, Dearborn Heights
(Located in Heights strip mall on north side of
street, just west of Beech Daly)

\$25 for member and \$30 for guest
Deadline is Saturday, November 12, 2022

(Due to space restrictions, the total number of guests will be limited to 10; one guest per member – first come, first served. I will keep a wait list for additional guests and contact you if there are openings after the deadline.)

12:30 – Social Hour, Cash Bar, Pence Ticket Sales

Drop off non-perishable food, toys, books for Little Library, or money donations in parking lot

1:30 pm – Served Family Style:

1) Chicken Scallopine, 2) Gluten Free: Roasted Chicken or 3) Vegetarian: Eggplant Parmesan

All 3 Entrées include garden salad, mostaccioli with meat sauce, roasted potatoes, Italian green beans, rolls and butter, coffee, hot tea, or soft drinks, and spumoni ice cream for dessert.

2:30 – 3:30 pm **After Dinner Program**

Hand painted and signed Christmas ornament exchange

Pence raffle (Pence may be purchased for the raffle for \$1 each.)

Centerpiece drawing



2022 Christmas Luncheon registration form

\$25 for member \$30 for guest (one per member; pay at this time)

Make check payable to: **The Village Painters**

Mail to: Diane Stiller
674 W. Canfield St.
Detroit, MI 48201

Questions? Email Diane Stiller at dianestiller@sbcglobal.net

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Guest's Name: _____

Amount enclosed: _____ **Circle one:** Chicken Scallopine OR Gluten Free OR Vegetarian

[] Please contact me if there is an opening for an additional guest.



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★ Now all you have to do is complete the Village Painters Membership Form and send it to me along with your check for \$15.00. Please write the check out to **The Village Painters**. Send to: Pat Butler, 7870 Parker Rd. Saline, MI 48176

For Questions, please email me, patbutler9@gmail.com or call at 734-944-1918 (preferred) or 734-604-7718 PLEASE WRITE SO I CAN READ YOUR WRITING. THANKS

Name: _____ Name of husband or S.O. _____

Address _____
_____ zip _____

Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Cell): _____

Email: _____

Birthday ____/____/____ SDP Membership # _____

To Be Completed by Membership Chairperson

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President's Corner

Hello Ladies,

We have an exciting project for us to do at the October General Meeting, (remember to pay your dues). Ever painted with a spoon? Well we are going to try it. If you would like to see an example go to You Tube Videos and search for Gemma77; we will be doing the blue and white flower. Everything will be supplied for you, all we ask is that you bring a water container.

We will also be voting in a new slate for the year 2023. As many of you have heard I will be stepping down from the role of President, but not from the board. I will ease into the role of Secretary for all board meetings and at General meetings when I am not traveling.

As always, there is a ton of information in the Newsletter so please read carefully,

Linda



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Taught by Jane Allen

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Oct 1, 9-4 Judy Westegaard-Jenkins

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Hi everyone, hope you are having a wonderful summer.

I am doing the Christmas pence raffle . Everyone Please think about what you might want to put in the raffle! I will collect what you have painted at the October meeting and at the Christmas party.

*Thank You so much
Kathy Ziemba*



The artist was the best.
She could always draw a crowd.

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

Our October meeting is a busy one.

Foremost will be the renewal of memberships, and also the election of board officers.

There will also be our Show N Tell, 50/50 raffle, and snacks to share, followed by a new “something different” painting technique. This should be fun.

Things to bring:

Membership form and dues

Show N Tell projects,

Money for 50/50

Any registration forms

Snack to share

Your own beverage

A water basin for painting.

See you at LSC on 10/6, 5 – 9 pm



September Birthdays

8 Doreen McLain

12 Cindy Williams

20 JoAnn Smith

24 Connie Vasilnek

October Birthdays

16 Sue Hagen

18 Deborah Wallemann

20 Dawn Billiau

23 Gail Barton

24 Paul Atkinson



FALL RETREAT

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR OUR WOODLAND PAINTING PARTY!

PREPARE YOURSELF FOR A FANTASTIC WEEKEND!

YOUR COMMITTEE HAS BEEN HARD AT WORK TO MAKE THIS A SPECIAL GET TOGETHER.

A LETTER WITH DIRECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS OF THINGS TO BRING WILL GO OUT TO ALL REGISTERED 2 WEEKS BEFORE THE EVENT.

WE WILL MAINTAIN A WAITING LIST. IF YOU'D LIKE TO BE ADDED TO OUR WAITING LIST PLEASE CONTACT KATHY FISCHER AT FISCHERK@UMICH.EDU OR PAULA ATKINSON 248-798-5312



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Boutique helper sign up: Please donate some time!

Set up: be there at 9 am

Circulating helpers:(30 min slots)

Cashier: (30 minute slots)

Wrapper: (30 minute slots)

Take down helpers:

**Remember, if you
lose a sock in the
dryer, it comes
back as a
Tupperware lid
that doesn't fit any
of your containers.**

Education – Diane Stiller

Eleven members attended Nancy Silver's zoom class using Mary Wiseman's Harvest Time pattern. Thanks so much Nancy for teaching the class!

Coming up next on zoom for 2022

September 17: As I mentioned at the August meeting, Jane Allen (who is teaching this class in Jan Heins stead) is going to teach us to sculpt all four of the ornaments in her pattern packet instead of the two originally planned. We will then paint them on our own which is pretty simple. Emails regarding purchase of class supplies were sent. Registration is now closed for this class.

September 27: Kathy Ziemba will teach the third SDP Paint-In: Boo Pumpkins by Kathy Swigon. Kathy Ziemba has added quikwood to the project on a paver. An email was sent regarding supplies and prep. This is a **free** class for members.

October 1: As you all know by now if you've been reading my emails, changes have been made to the Judy Westegaard-Jenkins' classes due to lack of participation.

The sailboat class, Postcards from the Sea, has been cancelled.

The Autumn Smile class will now be via **zoom**. Everyone will have to provide their own paint. Only 11 members are registered.

I sent out individual emails to each member who registered with information specific to them and how refunds will be issued. Members who are taking the Autumn Smile zoom class received information about the surface and stencil. Keep in mind that instead of ordering the stencil, you may just want to trace the pattern of it to paint. I am waiting for Judy to email me the prep instructions and supplies.

November 12: Karen Capshaw will teach Deb Mishima's Cotton Candy Twinkles. The deadline is October 29.

November 16: Nancy Silver will teach the 4th SDP Paint-In: Rosemary West's Santa pattern. This is a **free** class for members.

Please register early and don't miss out on these classes and an opportunity to visit with friends. I am not planning to print out the registration forms and have them available at the general meetings to save on paper and ink. However, I will email them to all of the members before each meeting so that you can have them filled out beforehand. You can also find the registration forms in the newsletter and on our website.

Coming up in 2023

At the August general meeting, members voted on projects for Marco Aquilar, Bobbie Campbell, and Tracy Moreau for next year. I also had members vote on the ink and acrylic wash birdhouse pattern which will be taught by Nancy Vincent to determine your interest in the class and it was well received. A majority of the members present (15) voted to have only one class taught by a local (member) teacher (the range was 0 to 3 local teachers) and Sam Farah has agreed to teach. A majority of the members (18) voted to continue to hold the free SDP Paint-Ins via **Zoom** on Wednesdays instead of painting them after the general meetings. SDP will announce the 2023 Paint-Ins in the last issue of the Decorative Painter, hopefully before our Christmas luncheon.

After much agonizing, I decided not to schedule Bobbie Campbell. I had plenty of votes for Santa's Cookie Break but not enough interest in any of the other patterns for the second day. There were 8 votes for the tulip and then only 6 votes for two other patterns. We can not afford to bring Bobbie in for only one day and after going through the Judy Westegaard-Jenkins ordeal, I am not willing to chance it with so little interest in a second project.

These classes will be taught on-site at the Livonia Senior Center

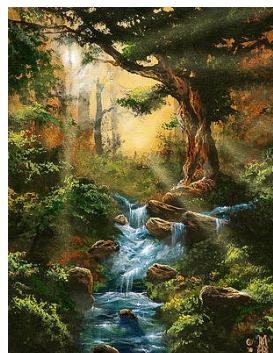
April 29 & 30: Tracy Moreau: Paper Poppy and the Summer Time (white daisies) Teacup and Teapot



June 17: Nancy Vincent: Ink and acrylic wash Birdhouse



August 12 & 13: Marco Aquilar: Out of the Blue and At First Light



September 30: Sam Farah: project to be announced later

Christmas Luncheon Update

So far 25 people have registered. Please mail in your registration as soon as possible. It's coming up sooner than you think. The deadline is October 16.

Christmas Donations

Thanks to the generosity of our members, we have always helped to make the holidays a special time for many families. This year, we will continue to give to Toys For Tots, Social Services and books for the Little Free Library. We will be collecting toys, food and books at our Christmas Party in December. So, now is the time to start looking for items you would like to donate.

Thank you for all your past generosity.

Pat and Kathy

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November 16 _____

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Karen Capshaw Cotton Candy Twinkles pattern by Deb Mishima
Saturday, November 12, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Cost: Member \$20; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$30

Deadline: October 29, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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Karen Capshaw on Saturday, November 12, 2022

Name _____
Phone # _____
Email _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____
\$20 Member; \$30 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____
Cash _____
Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

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

Scrapbook Memories

August "Picnic" General Meeting



Maureen VanBuhler



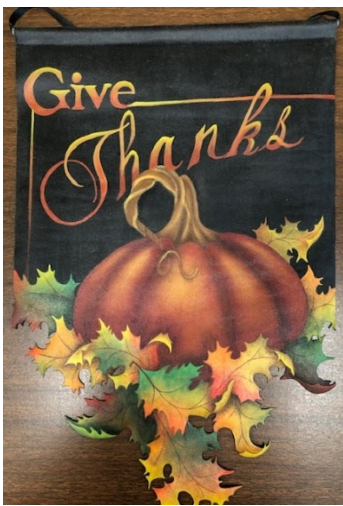
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Pam Hypnar

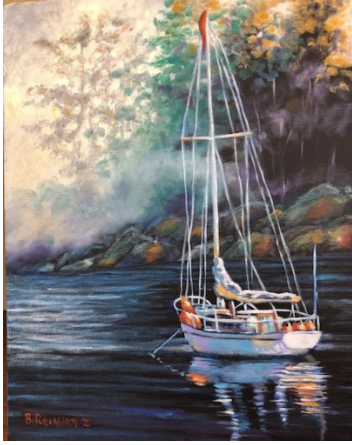


Sally Thirjung – Santa head rolls on wheels as you pull it



Sam Farah





Barbara Reinholz



Jackie Wright



Sam Farah

HOME Project for 2022



Judy Ribitch



Diane Stiller

Nancy Silver Zoom Class: Harvest Time pattern by Mary Wiseman



Linda Morgan



Judy Ribitch



Connie Vasilnek

SLATE OF NOMINEES
FOR THE
VILLAGE PAINTERS BOARD 2023

EXECUTIVE BOARD – VOTING

President	Diane Stiller
Vice=President	OPEN
Secretary – Board Meetings	Linda Christopher
Secretary – General Meetings	OPEN
Treasurer	Kathy Fischer and Joan Mueller

ELECTED CHAIR – VOTING

Document Manager	Michelle Handley
Education	Diane Stiller
Library	Nancy Silver and Teresa Palmer
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Newsletter	Linda Morgan
Spring Fling	Paula Atkinson
50/50	Cathy McClendon

APPOINTED CHAIRS – NON VOTING

Audit	Susan Rhodes
August Picnic	Linda Christopher and Linda Morgan
Holiday Party	OPEN
Hospitality	OPEN
Memory Boxes	Cindy Mullins
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Sunshine	Connie Vasilnek
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Memory and Treasure Boxes



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President's Corner

HELLO Ladies,

Your board has been hard at work planning for the activities for 2023. I must say they have been very successful and have some wonderful plans in the works. A huge thank you and pat on the back to Diane Stiller. She has gone above and beyond the call of duty to give us an exciting year ahead. We are on the move!

At the August, meeting I will have the "O's" that were ordered at the last meeting. If you need a reminder, please email me at lindachristopher60@gmail.com and I will send you back a copy of your order and your total.

We will also have our famous pot luck picnic dinner, the trunk sale will be held, show and tell and, voting for projects by the artists the board has approved.

Ladies, it's that time of year again and elections are coming up. There are a lot of positions to be filled; President, Vice-President, Secretary, Audit, August Picnic, Holiday Party. Please consider what you can do to help make 2023 the best yet. I will have the sign up board at the August meeting for you to peruse.

Looking forward to seeing you soon

Linda



2022 Calendar of Events

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26356 Ford Rd, Dearborn Hgts

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2022

February 5, 10 am—2 pm

ON ZOOM

**April 7, June 2, August 4, Oct 6,
At Livonia Senior Center 5—9 pm
Dec 1, Holiday Party 12:30—3:30**

Board meetings

6:30 pm by ZOOM

**March 10, May 5, July 7, if neces-
sary, September 1, and November 3**



Fall Retreat

The VP Fall Retreat is gearing up for a great weekend of fun and fellowship. We have plenty of room so please consider joining us.

We have 20 people signed up so far, 4 of which are non members.

We have extended our registration dead line to Aug 8th but would love to know sooner if possible.

Our projects will be available for viewing at the August Picnic. There will also be registration forms available.

Thanks and hope to see you there.

Any questions give me a call at 248-798-5312.

Paula Atkinson





August General Meeting

Our August Picnic is our chance to enjoy our potluck dinner.

The trunk sale in the parking lot will begin at 5:00. Just park in the main row and open your trunk if you have anything to sell (or give away).

During the meeting we will vote on the painting projects for 2023. The HOME "O" replacement pieces will be delivered to those who ordered them, so be prepared to pay. We will also be seeking nominees for the 2023 board positions. Many of the positions have been simplified.

Things to bring:

- ◆ Painted HOME piece
- ◆ Show and Tell
- ◆ Any library items due
- ◆ Potluck dish
- ◆ Memory/Treasure boxes
- ◆ Money for HOME pieces, trunk sale, and 50/50 raffle
- ◆ Your smile

Have you seen this?



This is one of Lisbeth Stull's favorite things. Rather than quickwood, it gives you more working time without making your fingers sticky.

It's available at Hobby Lobby.



July Birthdays

- 1 Sam Farah
- 9 Pat Butler
- 14 Janice Heins
- 21 Nancy Silver
- 24 Maureen VanBuhler
- 26 Darlene Greenwood
- 27 Charlene Wenzel
- 30 Linda Christopher

August Birthdays

- 2 Karen Capshaw
- 3 Louise Brown
- 25 Eileen Carroll
- 27 Darlene Laws
- 29 Michelle Handley
- 31 Denise Robert



The Village Painters presents

The 2023 Spring Fling

Sunday, April 2, 2023

Italian American Club of Livonia

\$30 Admission

Map and Directions

39200 W. Five Mile Rd

1:00 pm - Social Time

View tables, baskets, silent auction and live auction pieces and shopping the Boutique.
Raffle Ticket Sales and Silent Auction bidding will begin at **1:00 pm**.

Lunch and Agenda TBA

Winners of the Raffles, Silent Auction, and Live Auction to follow

The Spring Fling Committee presents our bi-annual FUNDRAISER. The size of the event will be dictated by the involvement of all of our members. *It is an awesome event and is great fun!* The luncheon admission of \$30 will entitle you to lunch, a chance at the table centerpiece, a table favor and one chance for the basket raffle.

Luncheon Chairperson – Paula Atkinson paulawog43@aol.com or call 248-798-5312 for information.
We will need all members help for set up. Set up will be from 9 am – 12:20 pm the morning of the luncheon.

Basket Chairperson - Paula Atkinson paulawog43@aol.com We are limiting the number of baskets to 20. You can set the theme for your basket. The only requirement is that there be at least one painted item in the basket and that all items be new or unused and look new. The unwrapped baskets will be due at the general meeting directly prior to the luncheon, unless specific arrangements are made with Paula. The Committee will inventory, wrap and give them a bow. **Please send Paula a list of your basket items in a word document** to assist in the preparation of the inventory. The items don't have to be expensive. Just use your imagination and your painting talents. For that matter, you don't have to use a basket just some sort of a container to hold all your wonderful "stuff." Maybe the container will be your painted item. Contact Paula if you are willing to donate a basket. *It's never too early.* The 2023 Charity Basket is "O.A.T.S." EQUESTRIAN THERAPY FOR DISABLED CHILDREN AND ADULTS. **The Basket theme is "Spring Garden"**. Karen Capshaw will make up a Village Painters' **Kitchen Basket** if you would like to donate item (s) to it.

Basket Ideas:

Coffee-Lover	Chocolate	Tea-Drinker	Michigan	Easter	Gardening
Wine/Cheese	Americana	Books	Scrap-Book	Mother's Day	Candy
Cards/Games	Chef	Frogs	Angels	Painters	Body & Bath
Theater	Sports	Children	Beach	Bird Houses	Nautical
Birds	Sewing	Butterflies	Light Houses	Golf	Fish

Silent Auction Chairperson – Karen Capshaw We have 11 items with a value of \$50 or more. Please bring the painted item to the luncheon no later than 11am or make other arrangements with her.

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Live Auction – Diane Stiller dianestiller@sbcglobal.net This is definitely a fun part of our day. It includes one to three hand painted items. Artist sets a reserve for the piece. If the reserve is not reached the item will not be sold and Artist will take home the art.

Boutique - Michelle Handley mlhandley56@gmail.com Our guests will be looking for items for teachers, Holidays, such as Mother's Day, home decorations, and gifts. We encourage you to paint extra favors to sell in the boutique. Please contact her if you would be willing to have a paint-in for a small group in your home or have ideas for items we can paint. Please price all your items before turning them in. We only have from **9 am to 12:30 pm** the morning of the event to set up. Michelle is exploring options to simplify Boutique set up since time is limited and many items are expected. More details will follow. Everyone's help is needed.

Table Chairperson – Cathy McClendon cathymacc@gmail.com Each hostess will choose the theme for their table. We will also maintain a waiting list for guests who would be able to come at the last minute. Please email the names of your guests to Cathy before March so name tags can be printed. A check made payable to the Village Painters for the guests at your table will be due **March 1st** or before.

All tables are 68" diameter and will seat up to 10. It may be more comfortable for 9. A white fabric tablecloth and napkins will be on each table. Over-lay colored table cloths look wonderful on the tables if you would like to bring your own. **We still have more tables available to host.**

1. It will be a sit-down, served lunch.
2. As a hostess, the minimum requirement is that you must have a painted centerpiece and /or favors. The centerpiece will be raffled off at the end of the luncheon for the guests at your table. Please provide a favor to each of the guests at your table. The favor can be a purchased item or something hand-painted. You can create any design and get as detailed or elaborate as you wish. It is an awesome sight to see each different table. Let your creative juices go!
3. Being a hostess for your table entitles you to 6 pence and a free admission...a savings of \$30
4. Each hostess for a table will be in charge of inviting anyone she wishes. If you do not fill your table, overflow guests or Village members will be added. Please be sure to email Cathy to keep her advised of the needs of your guests.
5. Each guest will receive one free ticket for the basket raffle. Obviously they will have more chances to win by purchasing additional Basket Raffle tickets which will be sold before the luncheon begins. Basket Raffle tickets will be sold for \$10 with 11 ticket stubs. Let your guests know that they can pay in cash or check made out to The Village Painters. We cannot accept credit cards.
- 6.

2023 DUE DATES



Boutique Items: February General Meeting. You may bring priced items to set up as early as possible on the day of the luncheon, April 2.

Theme Baskets and Charity Basket items: February General Meeting

Guests Names and Luncheon Ticket Money: March 1st or before

Silent Auction: Early as possible the morning of the luncheon.

Boutique update: July 2022

Many thanks to those who participated and/or organized the Paint Ins for Boutique. Here's hoping for more after the summer season! Pence distribution has been done.

The new location for Spring Fling and the time restrictions for set up will necessitate changes for Boutique for 2023. Initial plans are as follows, though updates and changes will be made as needed.

Michelle will keep you informed and issue a final directive closer to the date of Spring Fling.

1. Boutique set up.

We will have only 3-4 hours to set up and be ready for business. That means shelving, items, pricing,

money handling, and wrapping- and maybe more.. We will likely need more volunteers than previous years. Please submit your name if you can help. Categories will be defined in a later update.

2. Items for sale.

The sheer number of items in the Boutique make it impossible for Michelle to collect and store any additional contributions. I ask that you keep your items until the morning of the Spring Fling.

I will have a sign in station which includes :inventory lists for you to complete, tags to price your items yourself, and a set of red self stick circles(see below). The inventory lists will be stored in an alphabetical file for pence contribution tallies.

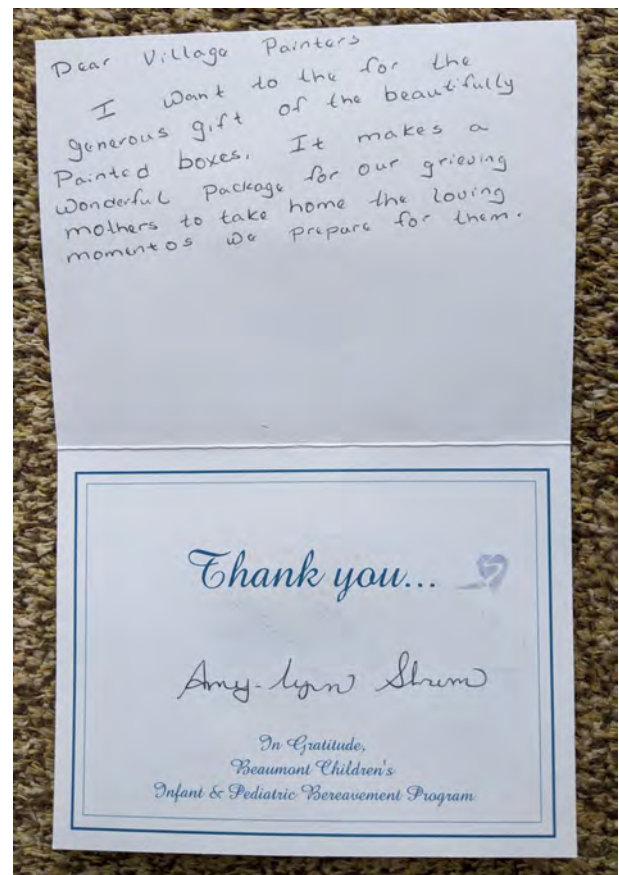
3. Unsold item returns

I ask that you indicate your preference for return on the inventory list. I will have red circles available to put of the price tags of items to be returned if not sold. I will also ask you to place these items on a designated table to keep them separate from those just being donated to VP. Brainstorming how to return these is being done ! It may be that you pick up the items after the Boutique closes and take them home. Again,, storage and transportation are issues. It may be necessary to send items to other members' homes for later processing.

Thank you all for your understanding. Keep painting! - Michelle Handley

MEMORY AND TREASURE BOXES

If you think your painting efforts don't make a difference, here's proof they do. This is a note the Village Painters received from Beaumont Children's Hospital.



Education – Diane Stiller

Fifteen members attended Connie's zoom class: Paulette DiGesare's Birds of a Feather.

Thirteen attended Judy Ribitch's Trilliums zoom class. And fifteen attended the SDP Paint-In: Never Lose Your Sense of Wonder by Deb Mishima taught by Michelle Handley on zoom. Thanks to Connie, Judy, and Michelle for teaching these classes. It was fun! Check out the photos to see what members painted.

Coming up next on zoom

August 13: Nancy Silver will teach Mary Wiseman's Autumn Pumpkins. The deadline is general meeting, August 4!

September 17: Jane Allen will teach her quikwood Christmas ornaments. Jan Heins originally was going to teach this class but arranged for Jane to do it in her stead – a happy surprise! Cost remains the same. August 27 is the deadline.

September 27: Kathy Ziemba will teach the third SDP Paint-In: Boo Pumpkins by Kathy Swigon. Kathy Ziemba has added quikwood to the project on a paver.

October 1 & 2: Judy Westegaard-Jenkins will teach Autumn Smile and Postcards from the Sea. This will be taught on-site at the Livonia Senior Center. **After this, Judy will no longer be travel teaching or going to conventions, so take advantage of this opportunity to paint with her in person!**

Please register early and don't miss out on these classes and an opportunity to visit with friends. I am not planning to print out the registration forms and have them available at the general meetings to save on paper and ink. However, I will email them to all of the members before each meeting so that you can have them filled out beforehand. You can also find the registration forms in the newsletter and on our website.

Coming up in 2023

Members voted for Big Brushes at the June meeting. Marco Aquilar and Bobbie Campbell will be painting on-site with us next year. Members also reaffirmed their decision to have Tracy Moreau paint with us next year when she will begin to travel teach again. Tracy was originally going to teach in 2020 which was postponed due to Covid restrictions. The Education Committee is meeting on July 20 to select projects so members can vote in August. I am also going to ask members how many Local Teacher classes we should schedule, if any, so please think about it. SDP is planning to have another 4 Paint-Ins in 2023 which are free to members. I would like your thoughts about painting those at the General Meetings or should we still schedule those as Zoom classes on Wednesday's as we've been doing.

Thirty-two members filled out the Education Survey at the June meeting. The results have been emailed to members and are included in this newsletter. The results reflect a positive view of getting back to our pre-Covid years.

- The majority of members indicated that their favorite medium is acrylic.
- The majority are in favor of the seating arrangements for classes on-site.
- The majority want to bring snacks to share and have VP provide the lunch for a fee.
- By an extremely slim majority (of 1 - 2 votes), members would like on-site local and national classes based on good/bad weather months, but Zoom is acceptable.

Christmas Luncheon Update

Kathy Ziemba has volunteered to chair the pence raffle. I'm sure you'll be hearing from her about donations soon!



Education Survey Results – June, 2022

Seating in the Activity Room for on-site classes: Check one response representing your comfort level for each seating arrangement.

4 rows with 3 tables in each row. 2 people per table. 24 students total.

Yes [21]

No [3]

5 rows with 3 tables in each row. 2 people per table. 30 students total.

Yes [20]

No [2]

Lunch arrangements for on-site LOCAL classes

(We will have snacks, water, and lunch for NATIONAL teachers.)

[7] No snacks to share, water, lunch. Everyone brings their own.

[10] Attendees bring snacks to share. Supply their own beverage and lunch.

[14] Attendees bring snacks to share. VP brings water and lunch in as before for a small fee.

I am interested in classes in the following mediums: Check all that apply.

[28] Acrylic

[18] Mixed Media

[17] Color Pencil

[14] Oil

[12] Watercolor

[12] Quikwood

[9] Pastels

[6] Mud

My favorite medium is:

[23] Acrylic

[7] Color Pencil

[3] Oil

[] Watercolor

[] Mud

[] Quikwood

[] Mixed Media

[] Pastels



I am tired of classes in: (13 responded)

3 members selected this category: Floral/Flowers

2 members selected these 3 categories: Gourds, Too Cutesie, Color Pencil

1 member selected one of these 8 categories: Zentangle, Fruit, Quikwood, Oils, Folk, Hydrangeas, Acrylic, Same old stuff/acrylic

I am interested in the following: Check all that apply.

[24] Flowers	[9] Fabric
[20] Birds	[9] Folk/Primitive
[20] Christmas	[8] Waterscapes
[17] Easter	[8] Cutesie/Humorous
[16] Halloween	[8] Domestic Animals
[16] Landscapes	[6] Lace
[16] Wild Animals	[6] People
[14] Gourds	[6] Mandala
[14] Realistic/Life-like	[5] Zentangle
[12] Strokework	[5] Valentine
[12] Thanksgiving	[3] Painting on glass
[11] Patriotic	[2] Other: Fall
	[1] Children

I want more classes in: (17 responded)

5 members: Color Pencil

4 members: Oil, Watercolor

2 members: Somebody New, Animals

1 member for each: New Style/Product, Acrylics, Whimsy, Folk Art/Primitive, Seascapes, Waves

Zoom vs On-Site for Local and National Instructors

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On-Site Local	8	7	9	19	19	21	1	19	20	16	
On-Site National	7	7	9	16	20	20	1	19	18	15	
Zoom Local	24	21	23	18	18	18	1	18	19	18	
Zoom National	21	21	18	15	15	17	1	15	17	16	

Roughly, the votes were divided into a few major categories:

10 – **whatever**; happy to attend whether on-site or zoom for local or national

7 – want **only zoom** classes whether local or national

5 – want **only on-site** classes whether local or national

4 – **seasonal**; on-site for good weather months and zoom for bad

3 – on-site for national and zoom for local

Scrapbook Memories

June General Meeting

Show & Tell



Darlene Greenwood



Susan Rhodes



Denise Robert



Dawn Billiau



Pam Hypnar



Judy Ribitch



Rondi Bur



Sally Thirjung



Sam Farah



Eileen Carroll



Barb Reinholz



Linda Morgan (color pencil)



Marilyn Cunningham



Connie Vasilnek



Linda Morgan



Eileen Carroll



Eileen Carroll

Spring Fling Boutique Paint-In: Cat on Wine Bottle

Thanks to everyone who participated!



HOME Project for 2022



Judy Ribitch



Cathy McClendon



Diane Stiller

Connie Vasilnek's Zoom Class: Birds of a Feather pattern by Paulette DiGesare



Cindy Mullins



Sam Farah



Eileen Carroll



Linda Morgan



Diane Stiller

Michelle Handley's Zoom SDP Paint-In: Never Lose Your Sense of Wonder pattern by Deb Mishima



Pam Hypnar



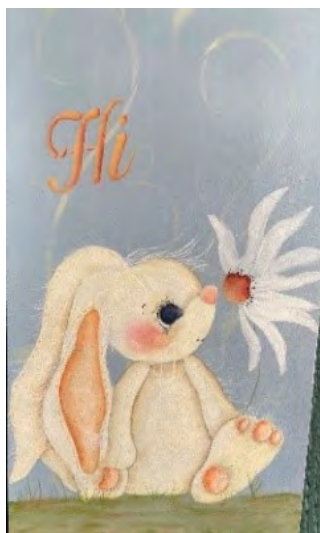
Darlene Laws



Eileen Carroll



Cathy McClendon



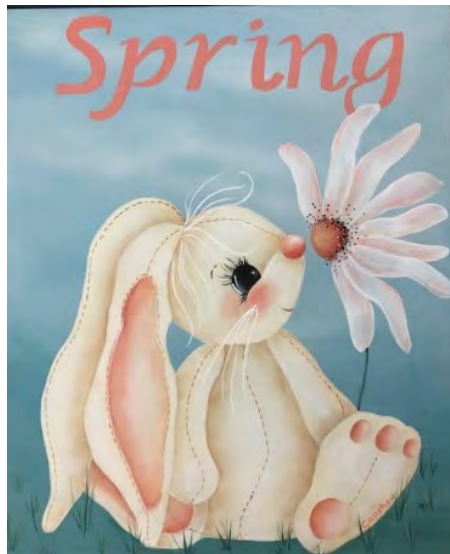
Jackie Wright



Cindy Mullins



Teresa Palmer



Karen Capshaw



Diane Stiller

Boutique Paint-In at Connie Vasilnek's

A big Thank You to Connie for hosting the event at her house and the following members who attended: Cindy Mullins, Karen Capshaw, Diane Stiller, Susan Rhodes, Denise Robert, Dawn Billiau and Cathy McClendon.



Cindy Mullins



Karen Capshaw



Connie Vasilnek



Susan Rhodes completed Diana Winn's three unfinished projects



Cathy McClendon



Diane Stiller

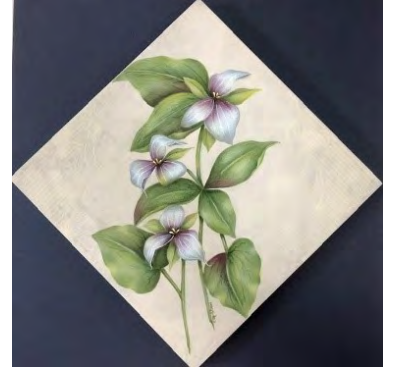
Judy Ribitch's Zoom Class: Trilliums



Judy Ribitch



Karen Capshaw



Diane Stiller



Connie Vasilnek



Cathy Uhring

The Village Painters FREE Zoom Classes for Members Only
SDP Paint-Ins for 2022; Wednesday's from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm



March 9. Pattern by Judy Westegaard-Jenkins

Taught by Connie Vasilnek



June 8. Patten by Deb Mishima

Taught by Michelle Handley



September 28: Patten by Kathy Swigon

Taught by Kathy Ziemba



November 16: Pattern by Rosemary West

Taught by Nancy Silver

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

SDP Paint-Ins for 2022; Wednesday's from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Place a check mark next to the date of the class that you are interested in & email to dianestiller@sbcglobal.net

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

March 9 _____

June 8 _____

September 28 _____

November 16 _____

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Nancy Silver: Autumn pattern by Mary Wiseman
Saturday, August 13, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Cost: Member \$20; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$30

Deadline: July 30, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Nancy Silver on Saturday, August 13, 2022

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____

\$20 Member; \$30 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Cash _____

Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

Make check payable to: The Village Painters

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

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Jan Heins Ornaments pattern by Jane Allen
Saturday, September 10, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



In addition a Bonus pattern of a Christmas Tree will be included so that purchasing the 3 hand-shaped cutters will be worth it. We will start it in class and you can finish it at your leisure.

Cost: Member \$22; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$32

Quikwood (2 oz) and the set of 3 hand-shaped cutters can be ordered at janeallencreates.com under Products/Sculpting Supplies

Deadline: August 27, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Jan Heins Ornaments on Saturday, September 10, 2022

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____

\$22 Member; \$32 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Cash _____

Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

Make check payable to: The Village Painters

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

**The Village Painters proudly presents
Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022**



Autumn Smiles: Saturday, October 1



Post Cards from the Sea: Sunday, October 2

Date: Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022

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: September 17, 2022

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or dianestiller@sbcglobal.net if you have questions.

Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022

Name _____

Saturday, Oct 1: Autumn
\$35 Member, \$45 Non Member

Phone # _____

Sunday, Oct 2: The Sea
\$35 Member, \$45 Non Member

Email _____

Total Enclosed _____

Make check payable to: The Village Painters

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

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Karen Capshaw Cotton Candy Twinkles pattern by Deb Mishima
Saturday, November 12, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Cost: Member \$20; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$30

Deadline: October 29, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Karen Capshaw on Saturday, November 12, 2022

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____

\$20 Member; \$30 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Cash _____

Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

Make check payable to: The Village Painters

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



Village Painters Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, December 1, 2022, 12:30 - 3:30

Antonio's Cucina Italiana

26356 Ford Rd, Dearborn Heights

(Located in Heights strip mall on north side of street, just west of Beech Daly)

\$25 for member and \$30 for guest

Deadline is Saturday, November 12, 2022

(Due to space restrictions, the total number of guests will be limited to 10; one guest per member – first come, first served. I will keep a wait list for additional guests and contact you if there are openings after the deadline.)

12:30 – Social Hour, Cash Bar, Pence Ticket Sales

Drop off non-perishable food, toys, books for Little Library, or money donations in parking lot

1:30 pm – Served Family Style:

1) Chicken Scallopine, 2) Gluten Free: Roasted Chicken or 3) Vegetarian: Eggplant Parmesan

All 3 Entrées include garden salad, mostaccioli with meat sauce, roasted potatoes, Italian green beans, rolls and butter, coffee, hot tea, or soft drinks, and spumoni ice cream for dessert.

2:30 – 3:30 pm After Dinner Program

Hand painted and signed Christmas ornament exchange

Pence raffle (Pence may be purchased for the raffle for \$1 each.)

Centerpiece drawing



2022 Christmas Luncheon registration form

\$25 for member \$30 for guest (one per member; pay at this time)

Make check payable to: **The Village Painters**

Mail to: Diane Stiller
674 W. Canfield St.
Detroit, MI 48201

Questions? Email Diane Stiller at dianestiller@sbcglobal.net

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Guest's Name: _____

Amount enclosed: _____ **Circle one:** Chicken Scallopine OR Gluten Free OR Vegetarian

[] Please contact me if there is an opening for an additional guest.

VILLAGE NEWS AND VIEWS



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President's Corner

Oh, The Places We Will Go! The board has planned some really exciting painting projects for us to do for the rest of this year.

At the June meeting, we will be delivering a set of four "O's" for the HOME signs. They will be a cut out of the state of Michigan, a star, a leaf, and a snowflake. The cost for this set is \$12. You will also have the opportunity to place orders for other shapes. This will allow us the opportunity to prep these pieces at home, paint together and share our ideas. Also at the June meeting we will be painting cute whimsical cats on a wine bottle. These bottles will be used for the Spring Fling boutique and you will receive a pence for participating. (They are really cute). Diane will also be doing a survey that is important for our future endeavors and you will be voting for future teachers and projects.

At the August meeting we will have a down sized picnic. Everybody will be asked to bring a yummy dinner dish to pass. We will have a special Show 'n Tell and also have an old fashioned carnival with games such as musical chairs, walking with a spoon and a ping pong ball, a cake walk, etc. etc. We have to keep some things a surprise. Think..... "A minute to win it"

In October we are in the process of planning a very special painting project. I can not tell you what it is at this time, but I can tell you, you will love it.

And then it's the Holiday Party.

Happy creating,

Linda

P.S. Remember to register for upcoming classes

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ON ZOOM

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At Livonia Senior Center 5—9 pm

Dec Holiday Party 12:30—3:30 pm

Board meetings

6:30 pm by ZOOM

March 10, May 5, July 7, if necessary, September 1, and November 3

Van Gogh painted The Starry Night
while undergoing treatment at a psychiatric hospital



Margaret makes new friends
everywhere she goes.

June General Meeting

LIVE 5pm—9pm

We have ordered 4 “O” replacement pieces for the HOME sign; a leaf, a star, a snowflake to cover the seasons, as well as a Michigan.

These will be distributed at the meeting at a cost of \$12 for the set of 4, so bring money.

We will be painting cats on wine bottles. These are an easy, fun paint project and will have lights inserted to be sold at the SF boutique. You will receive a pence for each bottle you paint. Bring your favorite color (red, blue, green, yellow) and a shading color and highlight color. Don't forget your painting supplies.

While we are busy painting, Diane will be passing out AND COLLECTING surveys asking where you want this club to go.

So, bring your smiles, money for 50/50 raffle, painting supplies and paint, show n tell pieces, a snack to share, and your own drink.

Quick reminder from hospitality: we have decided to forgo having drinks supplied for the meeting. We encourage bringing a festive snack to share if the spirit moves you. We had some great treats at the April meeting. Thank you all that brought them.

Can't wait to SEE everyone.—Dawn



May Birthdays

1 Jan Kaplan

18 Cindy Mullins

26 Joan Mueller

June Birthdays

6 Janet Reynolds

10 Carol Doyle

12 Marilyn Cunningham

30 Gale Copple



Boutique Paint-In at the June Meeting

In preparation for our Spring Fling, we are planning to paint these adorable cats on wine bottles. Further details will be emailed to members before the meeting regarding paint colors and supplies. There will even be orange, purple, and pink cats!

Please plan to participate and earn a pence when you turn in your completed project. Ribbons and lights will be added at a later date.



Henri Matisse's painting, *Le Bateau*, (the Boat), was hung upside down at MOMA for 46 days before anyone noticed



Education – Diane Stiller



Ten members painted the watercolor hibiscus pattern by Vincent Maoirana with Rondi Bur. He was very flattered when Rondi asked his permission to teach it. It's amazing how everyone can paint the same pattern and they all look so different as you have to mix your colors as you paint. Check out the photos. Thanks so much, Rondi! Everyone had fun and learned some watercolor techniques.

Due to the poor response from the members at the April meeting regarding a replacement for Tracy Moreau this year, we won't be scheduling two Big Brushes in 2022. The most votes I received for a replacement artist was five. Tracy Moreau is only doing zoom classes during 2022, but will resume travel teaching in 2023. So we will plan to have her in 2023 but will take a look at some of her newer projects and vote again on them at the August meeting.

Judy Westegaard-Jenkins will teach on-site at the Livonia Senior Center on October 1 & 2; our first on-site class in two years. Check out the registration form for Judy in the newsletter and on our website. I'll also be emailing it to all of our members.

At the June meeting, the members will vote for 2 Big Brush artists for 2023. I asked members at the April meeting for suggestions and at this time I have 14 artists. After the meeting I will contact the top 2 artists and get a list of their projects and then arrange for the Education Committee to meet to select at least 6-8 projects for each artist to present to the members for their vote at the August meeting.

Thank you to the following members who volunteered to participate on the Education Committee this year: Jeannine Laderach, Sue Drobyshewski, Dawn Billiau, Michelle Handley, Darlene Laws, and Susan Rhodes. We will be meeting sometime after the June meeting to select projects.

At the June meeting I also plan to hand out a survey to the members. I will be asking you to list the mediums that you are interested in, seating and lunch arrangements for on-site classes, zoom vs online vs combination of both for classes. This will help to determine what we do in 2023.

Coming up next on zoom

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Members could paint either the pattern that Michelle taught or one of their choice.



Michelle Handley



Karen Capshaw (tote)



Sam Farah



Rondi Bur



Jackie Wright (hand mirror)



Eileen Carroll



Kathy Ziemba (shelf sitters)

English Artist Andy Brown created a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II using tea bags.



May Boutique News

We are still looking for some member(s) to step up and host a paint in. It can be small and personal— ask a few friends over to paint.

I will be trying to plan another zoom paint in in the next few months as well. There are a couple surfaces and patterns that the club can donate. Specifically there are prepped tin plates which would pair great with the sign in the book Prudy gave us at the Christmas luncheon. There are also small chalkboard signs(20) that need lettering and painting of the edges. (they were at our last meeting). Remember pence is given for hosting and attending a Paint in!

Unfortunately I cannot store your donations at this time. This may become possible after the New Year 2023. I have attached a few cuties from the Deco Art site, (DecoArt.com, click on Americana Acrylics). As always I keep looking for free ideas for the Boutique. Check them out!



Painted Bunny

designed by [Sandra Malone](#)



Repurposed Book Cup Holders

designed by Cindy Jacobelli



Christmas Clothespin Soldiers

designed by [Amanda Formaro](#)

Van Gogh sold only one painting during his lifetime.

Christmas Luncheon

The luncheon will be held at Antonio's Cucina Italiana in Dearborn Heights on Ford Road just west of Beech Daly in the Heights strip mall on Thursday, December 1, from 12:30 – 3:30. Thank you to Pat Butler and Kathy Fischer for volunteering to handle the donations. We will have the ornament exchange, the pence raffle, and the centerpiece drawing. We will **not** be doing the \$10 gift exchange due to too few participants.

Thank you to the following members who volunteered to participate on the Christmas Committee: Sam Farah, Darlene Laws, Kathy Ziemba, Eileen Carroll, Sue Hagan, and Judy Ribitch. A BIG Thank You to Sam for volunteering to host our centerpiece paint-in at her home.

The registration form is in the newsletter and on our website. I'll also emailed it to everyone. The number of guests is limited due to space restrictions so please read the registration form for more information.



Village Painters Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, December 1, 2022, 12:30 - 3:30

Antonio's Cucina Italiana

26356 Ford Rd, Dearborn Heights

(Located in Heights strip mall on north side of street, just west of Beech Daly)

\$25 for member and \$30 for guest

Deadline is Saturday, November 12, 2022

(Due to space restrictions, the total number of guests will be limited to 10; one guest per member – first come, first served. I will keep a wait list for additional guests and contact you if there are openings after the deadline.)

12:30 – Social Hour, Cash Bar, Pence Ticket Sales

Drop off non-perishable food, toys, books for Little Library, or money donations in parking lot

1:30 pm – Served Family Style:

1) Chicken Scallopine, 2) Gluten Free: Roasted Chicken or 3) Vegetarian: Eggplant Parmesan

All 3 Entrées include garden salad, mostaccioli with meat sauce, roasted potatoes, Italian green beans, rolls and butter, coffee, hot tea, or soft drinks, and spumoni ice cream for dessert.

2:30 – 3:30 pm After Dinner Program

Hand painted and signed Christmas ornament exchange

Pence raffle (Pence may be purchased for the raffle for \$1 each.)

Centerpiece drawing



2022 Christmas Luncheon registration form

\$25 for member

\$30 for guest (one per member; pay at this time)

Make check payable to: **The Village Painters**

Mail to:

Diane Stiller

674 W. Canfield St.

Detroit, MI 48201

Questions?

Email Diane Stiller at dianestiller@sbcglobal.net

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Guest's Name: _____

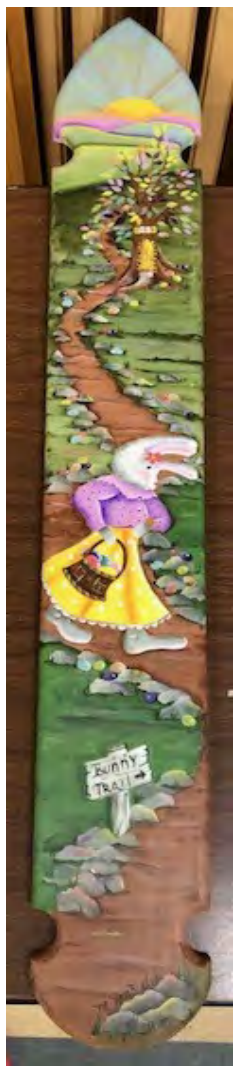
Amount enclosed: _____ **Circle one:** Chicken Scallopine OR Gluten Free OR Vegetarian

[] Please contact me if there is an opening for an additional guest.

Scrapbook Memories

March General Meeting: Easter Theme

Show & Tell



Maureen VanBuhler



Jackie Wright



Margaret Pedersen glass pebbles



Eileen Carroll



Linda Morgan



Sally Thirjung



Dawn Billiau



Sam Farah



Eileen Carroll



Sam Farah



Jan Kaplan



Pat Butler – color pencil



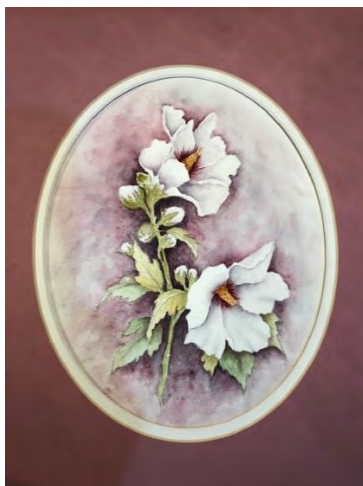
Kathy Ziemba



Sam Farah



Connie Vasilnek



At her watercolor hibiscus class, Rondi Bur shared her very first watercolor painting that was taught by Karen Capshaw about 20 years ago.

Connie Vasilnek's Zoom SDP Paint-In: Judy Westegaard-Jenkins, Cute as a Button pattern



Kathy Ziemba



Eileen Carroll



Denise Rogers



Karen Capshaw



Susan Rhodes



JoAnn Smith



Carol Doyle



Game: Build the tallest stand-alone tower using 1 marshmallow, 20 pieces of spaghetti, a yard of tape, and a yard of string (ribbon)



HOME Project for 2022



Eileen Carroll won the Egg-citing HOME raffle Easter basket of goodies



Linda Christopher



Sam Farah



Rondi Bur



Cathy McClendon



Connie Vasilnek



Diane Stiller



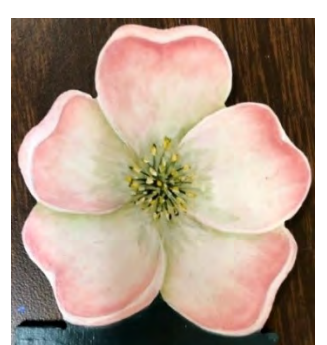
Jackie Wright



Linda Morgan



Kathy Ziemba



Rondi Bur

Rondi Bur's ZOOM class: Yellow Hibiscus watercolor pattern by Vincent Maiorana



Rondi Bur



Connie Vasilnek



Michelle Handley



Cindy Mullins



Linda Morgan



Karen Capshaw



Sue Drobyshevski

This is just margarinally funny.



██████████ : is that butter?

██████████ : no it's stonehenge

██████████ : I can't believe it's not butter



The Village Painters FREE Zoom Classes for Members Only
SDP Paint-Ins for 2022; Wednesday's from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm



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Taught by Connie Vasilnek



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Taught by Michelle Handley



September 28: Pattern by Kathy Swigon

Taught by Kathy Ziemba



November 16: Pattern by Rosemary West

Taught by Nancy Silver

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

SDP Paint-Ins for 2022; Wednesday's from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Place a check mark next to the date of the class that you are interested in & email to dianestiller@sbcglobal.net

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

March 9 _____

June 8 _____

September 28 _____

November 16 _____

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Judy Ribitch: Trilliums
Saturday, June 18, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Cost: Member \$20; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$30

Deadline: June 4, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Judy Ribitch on Saturday, June 18, 2022

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____

\$20 Member; \$30 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Cash _____

Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

Make check payable to: The Village Painters

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

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Nancy Silver: Autumn pattern by Mary Wiseman
Saturday, August 13, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Cost: Member \$20; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$30

Deadline: July 30, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Nancy Silver on Saturday, August 13, 2022

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____

\$20 Member; \$30 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Cash _____

Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

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The Village Painters Zoom Class
Jan Heins Ornaments pattern by Jane Allen
Saturday, September 10, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



In addition a Bonus pattern of a Christmas Tree will be included so that purchasing the 3 hand-shaped cutters will be worth it. We will start it in class and you can finish it at your leisure.

Cost: Member \$22; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$32

Quikwood (2 oz) and the set of 3 hand-shaped cutters can be ordered at janeallencreates.com under Products/Sculpting Supplies

Deadline: August 27, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Jan Heins Ornaments on Saturday, September 10, 2022

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____

\$22 Member; \$32 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____

Cash _____

Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

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**The Village Painters proudly presents
Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022**



Autumn Smiles: Saturday, October 1



Post Cards from the Sea: Sunday, October 2

Date: Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022

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: September 17, 2022

Please remember that all fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Contact Diane Stiller (313) 720-1836 or dianestiller@sbcglobal.net if you have questions.

Judy Westegaard - Jenkins: Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022

Name _____

Saturday, Oct 1: Autumn
\$35 Member, \$45 Non Member

Phone # _____

Sunday, Oct 2: The Sea
\$35 Member, \$45 Non Member

Email _____

Total Enclosed _____

Make check payable to: The Village Painters

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

The Village Painters Zoom Class
Karen Capshaw Cotton Candy Twinkles pattern by Deb Mishima
Saturday, November 12, 2022, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Cost: Member \$20; may use up to \$15 in pence
Non-Member \$30

Deadline: October 29, 2022. Please remember that all fees are non-refundable.

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

Karen Capshaw on Saturday, November 12, 2022

Name _____
Phone # _____
Email _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Total enclosed: _____
\$20 Member; \$30 Non Member

Check Amount _____ Check # _____
Cash _____
Pence _____ (Limit is 15)

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President's Corner

Good day Ladies,

I believe we have made it through Covid. We can only hope and pray. But I am very excited to be holding our next General Meeting in person at the Livonia Senior Center on Thursday April 7. We have an eggciting evening planned with the theme being "Easter". So, ladies, wear your Easter bonnets. We also have a special game and an eggciting Easter painting challenge with eggciting prizes. (Read all the details inside.)

There will also be many surfaces with patterns for you to choose to complete for the Spring Fling. Which is only ONE year away. We all know how time can fly.

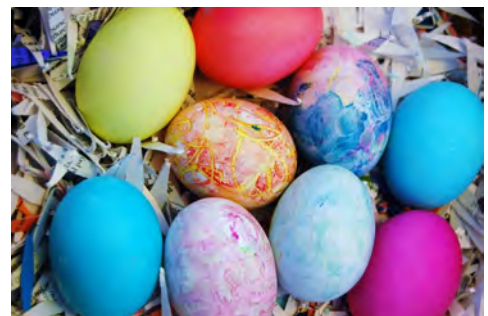
Plans are under way for a spectacular Fall Event, Christmas Luncheon and upcoming Spring Fling. We still need a committee to head the August Picnic.

The positions for Secretary and Vice-President also need to be filled. Please consider and remember these positions really only require four meetings a year.

It really does take a Village.

Can't wait to see you all,

Linda



2022 Calendar of Events

All classes listed are ZOOM classes.

- Apr 30, 10-2: Hibiscus design by Vincent Maiorana
Taught by Rondi Bur
- May 14, 10-2: Birds of a Feather by Paula DiGesare
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Memory and Treasure Boxes

Soon we will be delivering 30+ Memory boxes to Children's Hospital, and 30+ Memory boxes to Beaumont Botsford Hospital.

We usually deliver 30 Treasure boxes to the Shriner's Hospital, but so far we only have 9 painted boxes.

So thanks to everyone who has very generously painted boxes for these very worthy Community Service projects. We can't wait to see all of the creatively painted Memory and Treasure boxes you bring to the April meeting!

Cindy Mullens - Memory Boxes

Rondi Bur - Treasure Boxes



April General Meeting

April 7, 5 to 9 pm

Livonia Senior Center



Spring is in the air and Easter is not far behind, so that is the theme for the April General Meeting. Doesn't that sound **EGG-CITING**?

Since the rent has increased, we are going to try to contain ourselves in just the card room (the room with the square tables). We will all work together to set up any extra tables we need: library, show n' tell, Memory and Treasure Boxes, Boutique, education, and snacks.

We have an **EGG-CITING** agenda planned. After hopefully a short meeting, we will have a challenging team game. There will also be another challenge. Paint the "O" in your HOME sign like an Easter Egg. Bring it to the meeting and the members will vote for their favorite one. The winner with the most votes will win a prize. We will also discuss other options and ideas for other "O" replacement pieces. Bring your ideas, patterns, and/or pictures.

Michelle will have kits and surfaces for you to take home and paint for the Spring Fling Boutique. Things to remember to bring:

1. Show 'n Tell
2. Memory and Treasure Boxes
3. "O" painted like an Easter Egg, and ideas for other O replacements
4. Class registrations
5. Your own beverage and a snack to pass

March Birthdays

11 Barb Derby

13 Jean Trimpe

14 Louise Hastings

April Birthdays

21 Cathy McClendon

26 Sue Vella

29 Sally Thirjung

Spring Fling Boutique updates....

Thanks to all those who participated in the Zoom paint in on Feb 26. I am hoping we can plan another, perhaps in person, in the future. Would anyone consider hosting a small gathering? Keep me updated. We can certainly do another Zoom paint in as well.

Diane Stiller collected many items (unpainted) and patterns for potential use as boutique sale items from Linda Christopher.. We are attempting to match some of them together. These would be available at the next VP general meeting. Please look at them and consider completing items for sale! I am still unable to store Boutique items; please do not bring them yet! I will keep you posted on storage.

A follow up to the Zoom Paint-In image transfer demo:

I let the image I pasted onto the last coaster sit untouched for a week(forgot about it). The paper did come off much easier and the ink transferred quite well. Maybe that is the key to success. Or perhaps a laser printer. I also tried a transfer onto a slate coaster(unsealed surface) No luck there at all. The instructions are free on Tracy Moreau's website if anyone is interested. I also found two websites that discuss this technique:

1. Empressofdirt.net "How to transfer images to wood glass fabric metal. (found on pinterest)
2. thegraphicsfairy.com

Happy Painting! - Michelle

Thank you for 50 wonderful
years!

We're retiring!



Fall Retreat Update -

Mark your calendar for Sept 23, 24, 25, 2022.

Registration will be available at the April meeting.

Spring Fling Update -

Still working on securing a location.

Will update as soon as we know.

- Paula



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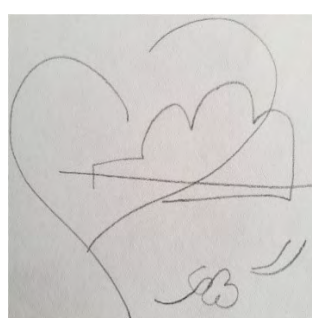
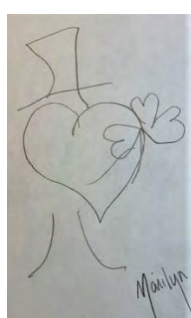
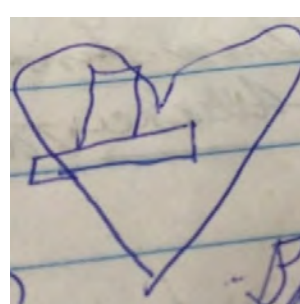
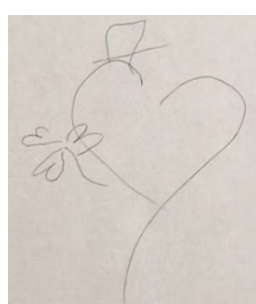
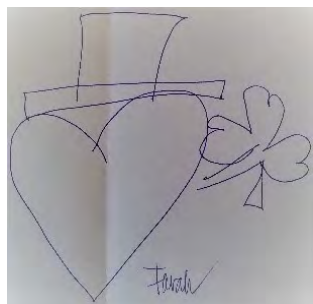
What did the painter say to her sweetheart? I love you with all my ART.

Scrapbook Memories

February Zoom General Meeting: Valentine's and St. Pat's Theme



Themed Drawing Game: Without looking, draw a heart, a leprechaun hat, and arms holding a shamrock



Show & Tell



Diane Stiller (color pencil)



Karen Capshaw



Linda Morgan



Jackie Wright



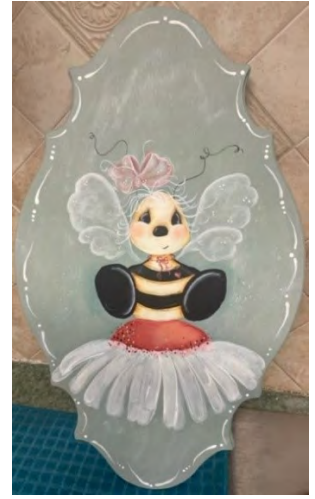
Sam Farah



Margaret Molenda (color pencil)



Michelle Handley (fish patterns by Marlene Kreutz) We missed showing one of the Santa patterns (Jillybean) she used for the Xmas plates.



Connie Vasilnek (pedestal surfaces from DePalmas' Custom Woodcrafts)

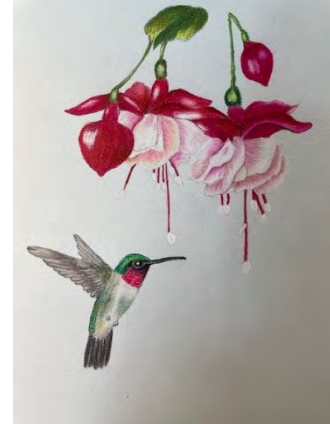
Eileen Carroll



Marilyn Cunningham

Paula Atkinson

Kathy Ziemba (paver & quikwood)



Pat Butler (color pencil)

HOME Project for 2022



Cathy McClendon

(The ends of the ribbon were hot glued so the ribbon can be easily slipped off. So clever!)

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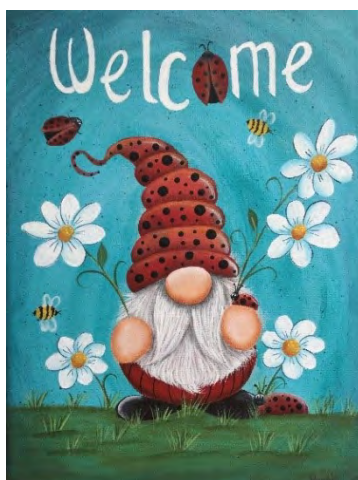
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Sam Farah



Rondi Bur



Jackie Wright (hand mirror)



Eileen Carroll



Kathy Ziemba (shelf sitters)

Can you tell which petals
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MEMORY AND TREASURE BOXES

Painted by our members and brought to the Holiday Party



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Karen Capshaw on Saturday, November 12, 2022

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President's Corner

Good Day Ladies

A great big thank you to all the members who worked so hard on the Holiday Luncheon. Even with all the challenges I thoroughly enjoyed seeing everyone in person after a year and a half hibernating. It lifted my heart to see you all "in the real."

Speaking of in-person, it has been decided to move the February meeting to Zoom. The decision was made thinking of all of our health and safety and the unpredictability of Stupid Covid. (My new name) We are still planning on meeting at the Livonia Senior Center for the rest of the year. Keep your fingers crossed.

The plan for general meetings is changing a bit. The program will look like a short business meeting, a game of sorts, and a sharing of ideas of how to paint the "O" of HOME, some painting, along with Show & Tell and the all important snacks. I would like to see some sharing of ideas at the February meeting so please collect those ideas for the "O". Ways and Means will change to a 50/50 raffle as a means to support our club which is especially important with the postponement of the Spring Fling. Who among us would not like to win some cash?

As we do not have a Vice-President this year the board needs your help with games we can play to have some fun. If you have participated in a game you enjoyed at any other gathering, PLEASE share. You can email me ideas anytime.

Stay safe, stay healthy, stay happy, and keep painting.
Hoping to see you all soon.

Linda



2022 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.

Feb 26, 10-2: Boutique Paint-in

Mar 9, 10-1: SDP Paint-in: Bunny

by Judy Westegaard-Jenkins

Taught by Connie Vasilnek

Apr 30, 10-2: Hibiscus design by Vincent Maiorana

Taught by Rondi Bur

May 14, 10-2: Birds of a Feather by Paula DiGesare

Taught by Connie Vasilnek

Jun 8, 10-1: SDP Paint-in: Deb Mishima design

Taught by Michelle Handley

Jun 18, 10-2: Trilliums design by Judith Ribitch

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Aug 13, 10-2: Autumn design by Mary Wiseman

Taught by Nancy Silver

Sep 10, 10-2: Ornaments by Jane Allen

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Nov 12, 10-2: Cotton Candy Twinkles by Deb Mishima

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General Meetings

2022

February 5, 10 am—2 pm

ON ZOOM

April 7, June 2, August 4, Oct 6,

At Livonia Senior Center 5—9 pm

Dec Holiday Party - tba

Board meetings

6:30 pm by ZOOM

March 3, May 5, July 7, if necessary, September 1, and November 3

Thank you to all the members
who painted MEMORY BOXES

Thank you to everyone for your very generous donations to Toys For Tots, Social Services and books for the Little Free Libraries. Our van was full of your generous gifts. Your kindness was very appreciated. Thank you so much.

Pat Butler did not go to Florida for Jan and Feb. She is Home so you can send her your membership

Thanks. We're missing some of you!!

WHAT DID ONE PAINT SAY TO ANOTHER WHEN THEY GOT IN AN ARGUMENT?



Don't use that tone with me



February General Meeting
Saturday Feb 5, 10 am to 2 pm

By ZOOM

Unfortunately, the board decided it was too risky to meet in person, so we are doing ZOOM again.

The theme is Valentine's Day and/or St. Patrick's Day, your choice. Don your festive apparel and come join the fun. We will have a game, Show 'n Tell, jokes, and conversations.

We will be sharing ideas for the interchangeable "O" in our HOME sign, so bring your patterns, drawings, and suggestions. The original sign we saw was painted black with a white outline just inside the edge. You, of course, may paint yours however you like. The base of the stand is 12", the size of the "O" is 2" wide by 3.5" tall.

We are so looking forward to getting together at last, but that will have to wait a bit longer. It's just not worth the risk. So, we will make the best of it and have fun virtually.

Spring Fling Update

The Spring Fling Committee and the Village Painter's Board have decided to postpone the Spring Fling for another year.

There were 2 factors that led to our decision. One was the unreliable service that we received from Burton Manor for the Christmas luncheon. We just didn't feel we would be able to have the class of luncheon which our guests have come to enjoy

The second reason was Covid which is still a concern for large gatherings

When I cancelled with Burton Manor, they said they would keep \$250 for administration fees and send us a refund check of \$250. That was a pleasant surprise.

We really want this to be a successful event and feel it would be better to wait another year. So, pack up your goodies and tuck them away for another year.

Michelle Handley and Diane are still talking about having Zoom Paint-ins for the boutique, so stay tuned.

Our other challenge and probably biggest problem is finding a new venue in which to hold the event.

All suggestions will be appreciated. We may even have to move out of our central location.

Thank you for your understanding.

Paula Atkinson

248-798-5323

Paulawog43@aol.com



January Birthdays

2 Jackie Wright

5 Teresa Palmer

17 Denise Rogers

18 Jeannine Laderach

19 Kathy Fischer

29 Rondi Bur

30 Fransien Garrett

31 Nancy Forbes

February Birthdays

15 Pam Hypnar

19 Diane Stiller

22 Audrey Gusmano



Boutique update 2022: From Michelle Handley (mlhandley56@gmail.com)

Secondary to the cancellation of Spring Fling 2022 the following changes to Boutique planning will be made.

1. Paint in scheduled January 22 is cancelled.
2. Paint in on February 26 is still planned, but the format is uncertain at this time. Details to follow.
3. I will not be able to collect and store items for Boutique. This was initially a short term storage, but has become uncertain at present. Please hang on to your items! Hopefully they will be needed in the future.
4. I have been searching for patterns. Tracy Moreau's website had a nice section of free patterns. I believe they are called RAK: random acts of kindness on her site. If anyone else has sources, please share.
5. I do have some surfaces available. I will post pictures later and if you are interested, we could arrange delivery. I now live midway between East and West suburbs.

Thank you all for your help and patience in these unusual times!



IT'S THE
FRIENDS
WE MEET
along THE WAY
THAT
HELP US
APPRECIATE
THE journey

BEST EVER SENIOR CITIZEN JOKE

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started." Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?" The little silver haired lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster." Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle. She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table. He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster." He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh.....

**"Let's put all the Corn Flakes
back in the box."**



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Village Painters (VP) Membership Application for 2022



Check here if you are a returning VP member _____. Dues for 2022 are \$15.00 and are due by December 31, 2021. You must submit a copy of your receipt or invoice from SDP along with this application.



Check here if you are a new VP member _____. If you are a new member, you must first become an SDP member and submit both the SDP receipt and the Village Painters Membership Form.

To Renew or apply for first time membership in SDP go to <https://www.decorativepainters.org/Public/Membership.aspx> and complete the application. The cost is \$60.00 for the year. When you hit the SUBMIT button, they ask if you want the receipt also sent to someone else. Please put my email patbutler9@gmail.com there and the receipt will automatically come to me (a receipt will also go to your email). I will send you an email that I have received your receipt hopefully in a day or two. Thanks, that makes it easy for both of us.



Now all you have to do is complete the Village Painters Membership Form and send it to me along with your check for \$15.00. Please write the check out to **The Village Painters**. Send to: Pat Butler, 7870 Parker Rd. Saline, MI 48176

For Questions, please email me, patbutler9@gmail.com or call at 734-944-1918 (preferred) or 734-604-7718

Name: _____ Name of husband or S.O. _____

Address _____

_____ zip _____

Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Cell): _____

Email: _____

Birthday ____/____/____ SDP Membership # _____

To Be Completed by Membership Chairperson

Date Received	Check #	Amount
Verified SDP Member Yes NO		

Education – Diane Stiller

Judy Ribitch taught her poinsettia pattern to 17 members and I wrapped up the year with the last SDP Paint-In: Shara Reiner's Snow Days attended by 13 members. Check out the photos to see what a great job everyone did on their project!

During 2021 we held 14 free zoom classes for members of which 4 were SDP Paint-Ins. 58 individuals registered for the various classes of which 6 were non-members.

In 2022 we have scheduled 10 zoom classes of which 4 are SDP Paint-Ins. The class fee for 6 of these classes will be \$15 each plus the cost of any supplies or e-packets if applicable to that particular class. Members can use their pence to pay for the class but not for supplies or e-packets. The SDP Paint-Ins will be offered to members at no charge. The classes were presented at the Holiday luncheon. I emailed all the members the registration forms on December 5. You can also access them from the newsletter and our web site. I am not planning to print out the registration forms and have them available at the general meetings to save on paper and ink. However, I will email them to all of the members before each meeting so that you can have them filled out beforehand.

I will email the members all of the registration forms again next week. If you are planning to register for the SDP Paint-Ins, you can just email me that particular form as no money is involved.

All of the classes are estimated to run from 10 am - 2 pm. However, each class is uniquely different and due to the pace of the class participants, may actually last more or less than the 4 hours planned. So although they will all start at 10 am, they will end depending on the circumstances of that particular class.

I still plan to contact Judy Westegaard-Jenkins and Tracy Moreau to see about the possibility of bringing them in to teach locally. However, they both live in Canada, so the classes may need to be via zoom.

Coming up next on zoom

March 9: Connie Vasilnek will be kicking off our 2022 Education program with the first out of the four SDP Paint-Ins. It is the bunny pattern by Judy Westegaard-Jenkins. I plan on emailing the prep materials as early as the first week of February to those who have registered.

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Please register early and don't miss out on these classes and an opportunity to visit with friends



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Scrapbook Memories
Christmas Luncheon at Burton Manor: We Believe in Santa



Memory & Treasure Boxes



Dress Santa Challenge



1st Place – Sam Farah



2nd Place – Barb Reinho

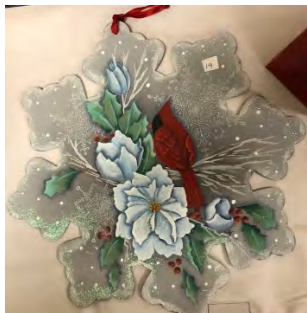


3rd Place – Karen Capshaw

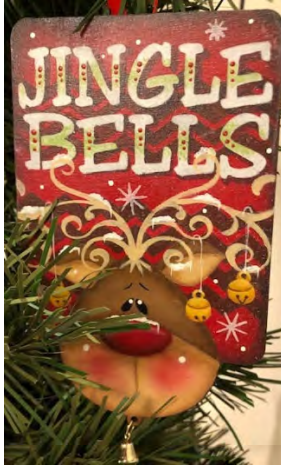


Pence Raffle





Christmas Ornament Exchange



Santa plates painted by the following members and used as favors



Thank You Ladies!

Rondi Bur

Karen Capshaw

Linda Christopher

Sue Drobyshewski

Michelle Handley

Jan Heins/Darlene Laws

Linda Morgan

Joan Mueller

Nancy Silver

Cathy Uhring

Maureen VanBuhler

Prudy Vannier



Judy Ribitch Zoom Class: Poinsettia



Michelle Handley



Linda Morgan



Jackie Wright



Cindy Mullins



Connie Vasilnek



Karen Capshaw



Marilyn Cunningham



Kathy Ziemba



JoAnn Smith – Front & Back of surface



Teresa Palmer

Diane Stiller: SDP Paint-In: Snow Days by Shara Reiner



Michelle Handley



Fransien Garrett



Teresa Palmer



Kathy Ziemba



Sam Farah



Jackie Wright



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