



July 2023 Newsletter

President's Message-Ginny Starlin

Hi Ladies,

Can you believe Summer is half over! Hope yours has been enjoyable so far, with all the fun stuff going on and so few really hot days it's been great! Our tomatoes are coming on and we have tiny little zucchini popping out all over.

Are you all ready for our July Summer Paint Party? If you missed the June party you missed a great time, but you can still attend the July party. We'll be working on the pour project we started in June, but there will be another project or two to keep us busy as well, so come on over to Marilyn's house if you can!

Thank you, Marilyn, Deb, Andrene, Linda and Melinda for all your hard work in planning and working at the Make it Take it at Garden Plaza yesterday (July 8). We had three tables set up doing painted wine glasses, shrinky-dink wine charms, and water color painted greeting cards. All the residents I spoke to had a wonderful time and thanked us whole heartedly.

See you at the Paint Party July 15!

Ginny Sparlin

Vice President-Debbie Botts

We are so excited!! Next Saturday, July 15 (10am - 1pm) we will add the resin coating to our Sunflower pour painting. We will add some fun embellishments as well. In addition, we will have another acrylic pour project to offer on a 4"x10" canvas, or you may repeat the first project.

IF you were not able to attend our first Paint Party you may still do the first project! The fee, which includes all the supplies for all our paint parties, is \$15. Please call Linda Beaty to make payment 720-261-4226.

Paint Party - July 15, 10am - 1pm
At: Marilyn Corners' home - RSVP 303-249-1009 We'll be working in the garage so dress for outside weather - rain and shine!!

See Andrene's message regarding food

Membership Report-Debbie Botts

How EXCITING!! I'd like to introduce you all to our newest club members!
WELCOME TO:

DEBBIE METZNER
gotbaskets2003@comcast.net
405-990-0992
bthdy - May 1

KATHY McALLISTER
TheTeawife@outlook.com
970-779-0677
bthdy - January 11

Hospitality Report-Andrene Schmelzer

I would like to thank Marilyn for letting us come to her home in June to do a wonderful and fun project. We appreciate all the hard work you did to organize this. Also, thanks to Tammy for sharing this project with us.

Everyone did a great job bringing a wonderful meal together too.

For our July meeting at Marilyn's we have decided to just do a potluck. So, whatever you decide to bring it will work.

Sunshine Report- Karon Sorensen

Hi everyone, This July we have 2 birthdays to celebrate!

Best wishes for a wonderful day!

July 28 Darrah Yates
July 30 Melinda Barnes



Tole Chatter-Melinda Barnes

Holly Hanley... I love some of Holly's designs and I have painted a couple of them. This stepping stone with a dragonfly is fantastic and thought some of you might be interested in painting this one too. Hello Marilyn. :-) I would think you could paint it with the regular DecoArt paint on wood instead of Patio Paint if you wish.

<https://www.hollyhanley.ca/stepping-stone-welcome-dragonfly-class-video/>

Lydia Steeves... I've written about this before, but in case you missed it I will again. :-) Lydia has wonderful designs using mostly colored pencil and/or pastels. She also offers several free instructional videos you can watch.

<https://www.lydiasteeves.com/products.php?cat=31>

Painting World Magazine... Here is a free pattern by Diane Marie Kellogg. I love the layered look which seems to be very popular now.

<https://www.paintingworldmag.com/post/visiting-the-village>

Painting World Magazine... has lots of interesting info and the free pattern this month is by Debbie Forshey-Choma. Lot of background techniques with many step-by-steps.

<https://www.paintingworldmag.com/post/nautical-light>.

Decorative Painters Academy... Several newer classes and videos have been added recently. Be sure and check this out.

<https://decorativepaintersacademy.com/>

Debby Forsey-Choma... Is having a 50% off all her Ornament E-Packets for the month of July. Debb has many step-by-step pictures showing how she creates the background. Also, if you

haven't watched her 'varnish application video' you could learn how she does it. (The video is on her Facebook page, not her website.)

<https://debbystouch.com/>

Barbara Bunsey... If you love Colonial Williamsburg and Early American Folk Art as much as I, do I think you would enjoy visiting Barbara's website. You will see some history, patterns, classes and recipes.

<https://www.calicogoose.com/>

Vesterheim, the National Norwegian-American Museum & Folk Art School ... Very interesting website. I was fortunate enough several years ago to visit Vesterheim on an SDP planned trip before convention. The trip was all day and was amazing.

<https://vesterheim.org>

Did you know.... More history from Tracy Moreau

British Portrait Artist **Lucian Freud**, considered to be the greatest portrait painter of the 20th century, was the Great Grandson of Sigmund Freud. He fathered and acknowledged 14 Children with 6 Different Women and all of them have been subjects in his artwork (the children and the women). And he used 100s of millions \$ worth of his paintings to settle his gambling debts. Making his bookie a very wealthy man. Freud achieved tremendous fame, success while he still lived.

Acrylic paints are a 20th century invention. During the Second World War a shortage of linseed oil, meant that oil paints were in very short supply. The first usable acrylic resin dispersion was developed in 1934 by German chemical company BASF, patented by Rohm and Haas. By the 1940s, acrylic emulsions quickly gained in popularity, as they were inexpensive, easier to use, clean and dried quickly. By the 1960s they were in broader use by artists and artisans.

Pierre-Auguste Renoir

25 February 1841 – 3 December 1919, was a French artist who was a leading painter in the development of the Impressionist style, but he began his artistic career as a Decorative Painter, working to help support his family, as an apprentice in a ceramics factory. His employer recognized his natural gifts and recommended to his family that he attend art school. When the factory became mechanized, he continued to work painting fans and banners before he registered at Ecole de beaux Arts in Paris. The rest as they say...is art history!

Rufus Porter (May 1, 1792 – August 13, 1884)

Porter is well-known in the folk-art community for his landscape murals and miniature portraits; however, Porter was more than just a painter. He was the founding publisher and editor of the magazine Scientific American as well as inventor, writer, teacher and more.

He became a prolific muralist between 1825 and 1845, decorating some 160 houses and inns in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and as far south as Virginia. From simple silhouettes to scenes of entire towns or harbors, Porter spread his art throughout New England. His murals were generally executed in a large scale on dry plaster walls by a combination of freehand painting and stenciling. Some murals were in full color, others in monochrome, with the foliage sometimes stamped in with a cork stopper instead of being painted

with a brush. Often, he would do portraits of the principal household members where he was doing the murals.

<https://tracymoreau.net/> (will find a discount code on her site at the top)

Linda Sharp, MDA... I love Linda's designs and I think many of you do. If you haven't visited her website recently you are in for a treat. While you are there be sure and look at her Gift Items. Linda's designs are created on Tea Towels and Mugs which would make a lovely gift for someone special in your life.

<https://lindasharpmda.com/>

Golden Artist Colors... Added 20 Colors to SoFlat Matte Acrylics Product Line. Click on the link to see the yummy colors.

<https://goldenartistcolors.com/news/soflatmatte-expansion/>

I hope to see you at our next meeting!

Melinda

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<https://rockymountainhiartists.com>