

Dear Painting Friends,

Autumn in Colorado has a definite beginning for me. Days are warm and nights are cool. The aspens begin to turn. The deer begin to eat my mums! The Broncos and the Buffs are playing football at last. I love football. Best of all we have retreat. Our weekend at The Hideaway was a wonderful respite again this year. I heard several of you say how much you enjoyed it and how quickly our time there passed. It is really very special that our Chapter can offer this time together. We had two wonderful teachers this year, both members of our Chapter, who traveled to Colorado Springs to bring us their projects. Jo Paige and Doe Clore are two talented and creative artists and we are so fortunate to have had them with us.

As I write this we are already beginning the plans for Retreat 2008. We are gathering information for our Retreat survey and those who attended this year will soon have the opportunity to respond. There is always much we enjoyed and some things we would like to do differently. Remember, the Retreat is your program. It needs your input. Consider being on the committee for 2008. Thank you to everyone who contributed their time and energy to making our weekend possible. It truly was an effort by many this year to make it happen. You know who you are and you are the best.

My message this month is short. I am too busy painting! I have projects to finish with those wonderful autumn colors that I love. Let's see, where's my burnt sienna, honey brown, Georgia clay, golden straw and how could I forget Hot Shots Fiery Red? Oh, I'm having way too much fun!!!! I'll see you soon and keep painting.

*Autumn blessing to each of you,
Jackie G.*

Loving Sunshine Wishes to the following ladies:

Melinda Barnes - so glad to hear your foot is doing better and you are able to enjoy activities again.

Joyce Clothier - hope your foot problem is fixed soon and you will be good as new.

Janet Gropp - heartfelt wishes for a well deserved good rest and better days ahead after the loss of your family members.

Kate Quimby - so glad to hear you are feeling a little stronger and able to paint in between your treatments.

Peggi Severini - hope your leg is continuing to heal nicely. Would love to see you off those crutches, but I hear they are not slowing you down much.

Sandra Severini - hear you have been a big help to your mother. You are a sweetheart - thank you. Could you please clone yourself for the rest of us? :)

If anyone knows of any member going through tough times, please let me know. We don't want to leave anyone out, as we are all here to support and take care of each other. Email me at themagicmeadow@aol.com or call me at 719-488-1609.

Thank you,
Bonnie Wilkinson
Sunshine Chair - 2007 ☀

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Holiday Door Prize	Peggi Severini

*Phone numbers are available in your directories.

Save the Dates

2007 Calendar

***All meetings & seminars are at our new location:
Moreno Street Police Station**

September

- 7 Retreat at the Hideaway, Colorado Springs**
 - 8 Retreat at the Hideaway, Colorado Springs**
 - 9 Retreat at the Hideaway, Colorado Springs**
(More info inside with projects, schedule, etc.)
- There is no other meeting this month.**

October

- 6 Chapter meeting 9am - 2pm**
Program:
Painting Lace with Judy Richardson
(More info inside)
- Refreshments:** Julie Becker, Betty Rieger, Lois Sanford
- Door Prizes:** Julie Becker, Betty Rieger, Lois Sanford

November

- 3 Chapter meeting 9am - 2pm**
Program info in next newsletter
- Refreshments:** Julie Becker
- Door Prizes:** Julie Becker

We could use a few more volunteers for refreshments this month!

- 10 Chapter Bazaar at Pine Creek High School 9am - 4pm**
Paint! Paint! Paint! Get your stuff ready for our annual Bazaar! Directions to the Bazaar will be sent out via email and will also be posted on the website. If you want to participate, contact Becca Coffey.

December

- 1 Holiday Party and Potluck 9am - 2pm** at Police Station
Make and Take game

No phone numbers or addresses will be published in the newsletter as they would be seen online. If you need to contact someone in the Chapter and don't have access to our directory, please use the contact link on our website at:

www.pikespeakdecorativepainters.com

October 6, 2007 Program "Lace Painting" with Judy Richardson

This painting project will be Lace Painting. We will learn a technique used by Arlene Linton, who has published three books. I took a class from her in Nashville at the National Conference in 2006. Arlene is a very talented painter and a delightful and patient teacher. I only hope I can do her technique for Lace Painting justice when I paint with you. The results are wonderful when finished and it really looks much more difficult than it is. All you need is a little time and a basic understanding of how she paints lace to get results that you will really like and enjoy. Just give it a try. The prep is easy, the supplies limited and you only need one color to paint the lace. Hope you will stay and do some lace painting with us.

Judy Richardson

Basic Supplies

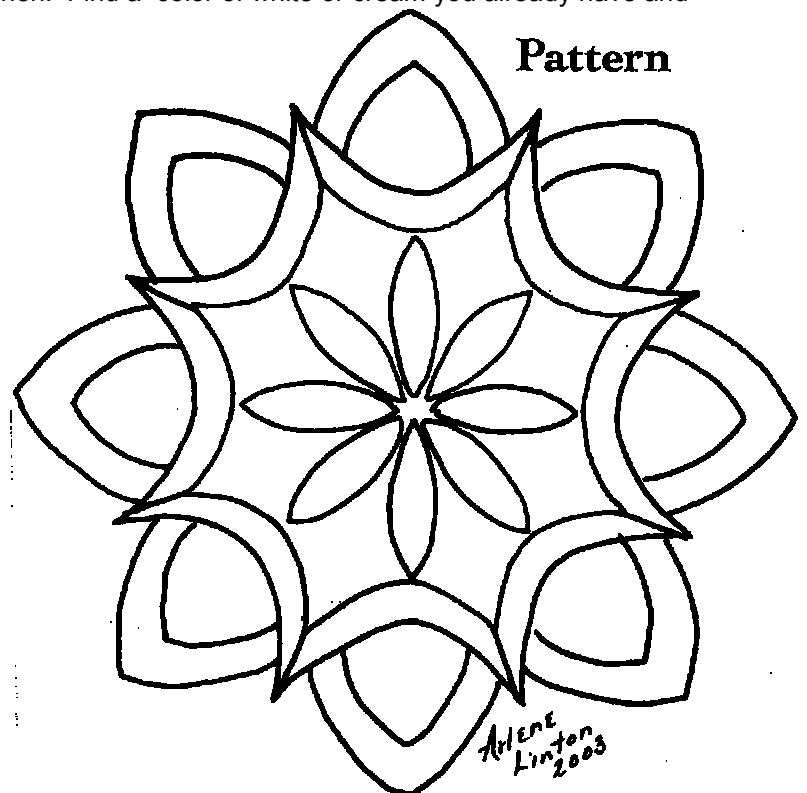
1. **Stylus:** A stylus with a very fine point will give you a much finer transfer line, and will make it that much easier to paint over the basic line work.
2. **Gray Palette Paper:** The gray palette paper makes painting with white or cream paint colors much easier. This paper allows you to see the transparency of the paint for line work, strokes and washes. If you don't have gray palette paper, it will be supplied for you to use. Athena Gray Palette Paper can be ordered from Houston Art or Viking Woodcrafts.
3. **Paper Towels:** Your favorite will do - it is used damp to control moisture in your brush. Arlene Linton uses Viva paper towels.
4. **Water Container:** Any will do.
5. **Tracing paper:** Any will do; however a heavier paper will allow the pattern to be copied on a copier. It will last longer and is easier to use, plus the tracing will be a better quality. The author uses vellum.
6. **Transfer paper:** White is probably the best on all colors; remember to trace all lines carefully. The lines not outlined will need to be erased.
7. **Surface:** Any surface will do; a wooden box, paper maché box, painted masonite, matte board, cardstock etc.
8. **Brushes:** Arlene Linton uses a Scharff Series 3000 Kilinsky Sable #4 round - not the #8 that I mentioned before. These brushes cost @ \$27 so you may use any brand of brush as long as it holds its shape and comes to a very fine point. There will be very fine linework on the lace. Try several different brushes to see which one works the best for you.
9. **Prep:** Basecoat your surface as you usually do - at least two coats of paint in a dark or medium color (black, black plum, purple, blues, greens, reds or a darker tan.) Use a color you like and will work with your décor.

The pattern may be enlarged to fit your surface, but I don't think going any smaller would be wise.

The paint you use for the lace (only one color) can be any brand of white or cream. Arlene Linton uses "Folk Art" Vintage White, Parchment, Warm White, Wicker White, or Linen. Find a color of white or cream you already have and would like to see on your basecoat.

To our Members:

If you plan to order something from Artist Glub or another company, why not let the rest of us know and we can go in on the order with you? This will save everyone on shipping - especially if you only have one or two small things to order. So, next time you want to place an order, send out an email to the Chapter with your requirements, like the deadline date, payment arrangements etc., and see who responds! This is a simple way to help each other out!



Happy Birthday to You!

September

5 Terry Niznik
19 Rose Starling
26 Edi Finkleman
28 Kate Quimby
29 Jan Watts

October

9 Lois Sanford
10 Gloria Cavalier
23 Eileen Lipscomb
26 Arlys Hefty

Thanks to Kate Dowd for teaching us how to paint the darling Sandal Pin in August! We really appreciate all that you did and they turned out so cute!

Thank you all so much for the *hugs and smiles* sent my way! My foot is better and I'm wearing a brace now only when I'm on my feet a lot. I loved the card and miss you all!
Hugs, Melinda

*To my wonderful Paint Pals:
A very special thank you to everyone who gave me Chapter Gift Certificates this year. You are all very special in my heart!*

*Love and Hugs,
Audrey*

Thanks to all of you who stepped up to make this another wonderful retreat. It was so nice to have new projects and new ideas to share with some of the same crazy women. (I hope we didn't corrupt the new attendees too much!) And thanks to the committees for our little goody boxes and water buckets. The best part of it though for me was the laughter; even higher rating than the snacks. It's great to belong to a group of ladies that enjoy life & love to share their talents with us. Special thanks to Jo and Doe for being so patient with us and still getting us through the projects! I think we may laugh more than the 7 year olds!

Madellen

Wanda is looking for more crafters to participate in her craft show (flyer below). If you are interested, please contact her at: wandaclasen@msn.com



**Cabin in The Woods
Craft Boutique**
October 12 & 13, 2007
9:00 – 5:00
11810 East Kokomo Road
Franktown, CO, 80116
303.814.3970

*Lots of Wonderful
Handcrafted Items
Made by Several Local Artists.*

Directions: From Franktown Intersection (Hwy. 86 & Hwy, 83), go south on Hwy. 83 to Russellville Rd., turn left. Go to Pine Valley, turn left. Go approximately 2.5 mile. The house on the right, address is on the mailbox.

Pikes Peak Decorative Painters Chapter Meeting Minutes for August 28, 2007

The first hour of the meeting was spent painting a Sandals Pin, taught by Kate Dowd.

President Jackie Gibson called the business meeting to order at 8:00 pm. Other board members present: Eileen Lipscomb, Cindy Bauer, Joyce Clothier, Lois Sanford and Julie Becker. 21 members were present, 16 participated in the painting.

Kate Dowd was thanked for teaching the evening's painting project. Lois Sanford was thanked for hosting the picnic on July 28. Becca Coffey was thanked for teaching the birdhouse ornaments at a paint-in on August 4. Julie Becker was thanked for cutting the wood surfaces for the sandal painting.

It was announced that Julie Becker won ribbons for painted entries at the Colorado State Fair and that Jackie Davidson won ribbons for her beaded entries.

Jackie Gibson announced that the Woodland Park Library is hosting a "Show Tell & Sell" on September 29. Anyone interested should contact Jackie.

A member questionnaire is being planned for late fall. If anyone has topics to be included, please contact Jackie Gibson.

Vice President's Report: October 6 program will be taught by Judy Richardson. More details will be sent via e-mail but a #4 round natural bristle brush and a base coated paper mache box will be needed.

December holiday luncheon with the Make It-Take It game will be held on December 1 at the police station at 11:00. Members are reminded that the items for the game are to be hand made and must fit into a grocery-sized bag.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Bauer reported that there is a balance of \$6705 in the treasury.

Julie Becker is offering homemade jams/jellies from time to time, with all proceeds to go into the Ways & Means budget.

Communications Report: Lois Sanford indicated she is preparing the next newsletter and anyone with information to be included should contact her as soon as possible. Lois also reminded members that they may send their own blanket e-mails to members themselves and do not have to pass it to her to send.

Bazaar: Becca Coffey indicated all is in place for the November bazaar. A formal meeting will be held to finalize details. Anyone still wishing to participate should contact Becca.

Seminars: Janelle Johnson is scheduled for a colored pencil seminar in April. Joyce Clothier demonstrated a colored pencil drawing she completed at a class given by Janelle at HOOT in August and urged members to consider taking part in the April seminar. Lois indicated that members may go to Janelle's website at janellejohnson.com to view possible projects.

Retreat: Even though the deadline to sign-up has passed, it is still possible to sign-up to attend. We will be sharing the Hideaway facility with another small group. The prep work for the painted projects take 4-5 hours so members are urged to have that work completed.

New Business: The Ways & Means Committee and the Executive Board recommend that **Chapter dues** be increased for 2008. At first a motion was entertained for increasing dues from \$15 to \$25, but after much discussion, the motion was withdrawn. **Motion:** Julie Becker moved that the dues for 2008 be increased from \$15 to \$20 a year, seconded by Judy Richardson, carried.

Meeting Times: In 2007 the meeting times alternated between Tuesday evenings and Saturdays. It is necessary to decide when meetings will be held in 2008 so that those dates can be reserved with the police station management. **Motion:** Becca Coffey moved that the meeting times for 2008 be the first Saturday of each month from 9 – 2, seconded by Ellen Spearman, carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Clothier, Secretary

December Holiday Party and Potluck - Make and Take game

This year, the holiday party will be held at the police station - not in someone's home. We are able to spread out, and no one will have to worry about cleaning their house. We will still have our potluck and instead of a gift exchange we will play the Make and Take game that, in the past, has been in November.

It is time to start thinking about what item you would like to swap at the game. It will need to fit into a plain, large brown paper grocery bag. Your item should be painted, hand made or something painting related. It should also be something that you would appreciate receiving. Many members spend a great deal of time painting or making their gift and we should all remember that when we choose what we will bring. This game is so much fun and hopefully you will go home with something equally as nice as what you brought. If you would prefer to just watch and not participate, that is okay, too! We look forward to seeing you on December 1!