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From the Key Board of the President

Winter Has arrived!—news just announced today that we have had 68 inches of snow in the past month! Most of it is in my front yard! It's an old fashioned winter, like I remember from my youth! We had to go to Bangor the other day, and the roads were snow packed, like we used to sled on!

One thing this has been good for is getting lots of things done on the JUNE SEMINAR! We have 28 signed up and 17 have picked classes. So far, this is looking good for June! With this house confinement, I have been quite productive, as lessons have been cancelled because of weather I have been doing long needed cleaning in the studio. Also, another good thing—NO BLACK flies, and less traffic—my grandmother always said, it is an ill wind indeed, that blows no good! Now I understand what she meant!

A poem I found, author unknown, but it seems to fit:

*It's winter in Maine, and gentle breezes blow.
Seventy miles per hour at 35 below!*

*Oh how I love Maine, when the snow is up to your Butt, you take
a breath of fresh air, and your nose gets frozen shut.*

*Yes, the weather here is wonderful, so I guess I will hang around.
I never could leave Maine, 'cause I'm frozen to the ground!*



I have a new computer with windows 8---#%\$#@ and I am too old to get used to something new! So bear with me until I get all the bugs out! The computer does more than I need!

Seminar JUNE 2015

Will be held June 15th to 20th

At the Allen House and barn in Mt. Desert, ME. Monday the 15th, will be registration 8 am to 6pm. Or you may register 7 to 8 Tuesday am. We will have a free Pizza party at 5 pm. This is for anyone who is registered to paint. At 6 pm there will be games and a free makeup demonstration by makeup artist Betty Liscomb. There are 3 pre Seminar classes that day, with Arlee, Suzi and Betty.

Mark Polomchak will be teaching Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday. TEAM teachers will be offering classes Monday through Saturday. On Thursday, the 18th we are giving Mark a day off so he can go boating! This will give the other teachers a day without having to compete with Mark, who is our big draw, he works nonstop and overtime while he is here, and I think he deserves a day on the ocean!

Teachers are: Mark Polomchak, WC Arlee Jenkins, oil / acrylic, WC, Maureen Baker, acrylic, flowers, Suzi Franklin, a building front, acrylic, and yupo paper with markers and Betty Allen WC batiking and pastels.



New News on the Seminar

One of my students, Betty Liscomb has worked for years as a beauty consultant, and makeup artist! I have talked her into joining the staff and doing what she does best [as well as painting], making some of us beautiful! She will do a complete makeover demonstration while we watch, on Monday night after the pizza party. The person she will make over—has yet to be chosen—if you know of a deserving person who would enjoy this, give me her name and the officers and I, will vote on who it will be.



She will offer a makeup class for 8 people, to be done at 7 am on Wednesday the 17. The reason for the early time, is so those people can be beautiful all day! If you want to try make up, this is your chance- for 20.00 per person and you will also receive a free tube of lipstick.



If you are interested in any of the above, just e-mail me.



The other thing she is doing is a complete Pirate make over, to be done on Friday, before the pirate finale. We will sell 5.00 tickets if you want to be in the drawing for this wonderful opportunity. The winning ticket will be drawn Thursday

More Seminar Information

We will be having gift baskets and other items to raffle with tickets. We will also be doing the 50 50 drawings each day. I have been given a large wood chest—that will be filled with goodies and raffled off also. Value of the contents will be over 100.00. If you have any items to donate to help fill the baskets the chest, we would appreciate! Remember to bring your extra address labels to use on your tickets that will save you writing your name so many times. Tickets will be on sale for .50 ea or 20 for 5\$,



Ways to win \$5.00 worth of tickets free

At the 50-50 drawings, the second name called after the winner, will get \$5.00, worth of tickets.

If your name tag, matches the day's menu [both are pirate themed] and you are eating lunch that day, you will receive \$5.00 worth of raffle tickets. There will be a parrot flying around the barn, studio and kitchen/living area, and if you ARE NOT playing the pirate game, you will have a chance to win \$5.00 worth of said tickets, if you see him first. His name is Peg Leg Pete. These instructions and a photo of "Peg Leg" will be in your packet. Those playing the pirate game will have a different set of rules

Thought to ponder

Sign in front of a church reads-- WHOEVER IS PRAYING FOR SNOW, PLEASE STOP



Regular News---Health Reports



I have not received any new news, except, health reports!

David and my knee surgeries, both had good results. His was worse than mine, but all turned out very good. Betty Liscomb, the makeup artist, fell on ice and broke her leg, and is laid up for 6 weeks!



On Monday Jan 26, David had his first cataract removed. The second one is to be removed February 9. Excellent results so far. Carole Weber in CT has had one of hers removed and cannot wait to have the second done first of March. The improvement to sight is remarkable!

I was called to Massachusetts last month as my daughter, Laraine was in intensive care. When she was released she and her husband Dennis went to Florida for 2 months to recover. Right now she is sitting on the beach wearing long pants and a down vest! 60 degrees the other day. They are hoping for hot weather.

Eleanor Dow fell, hurt her arm and has it in a sling, nothing broken but she is, hoping the ice will be melted by JUNE!

The person really needing all our prayers is Kathi Sojka in New Jersey. Kathi used to be president of our region and was very dedicated and hard worker for TEAM before illness slowed her down. Kathi is one of those people who is allergic to everything, including meds. This fall she had to have knee surgery. The prep took weeks. She had the lengthy surgery and 5 days later had to have it re-done to clear an infection and clear away calcium bits. Her husband Charlie is her full time caregiver. While all of this was going on her step father passed away, just before the surgery and her mother-in-law passed while she was in the hospital. I am sure she and Charlie would love cards, even if they do not know you, the fact you are members of TEAM will cheer her up please send your wishes or condolences to—**Kathi Sojka PO box 116G Glenwood New Jersey 07418.**

In closing, hope you all are well and keeping warm, this is the time of year that is hardest on the old and the young alike, chin up spring is on the way!

Betty Allen



come on spring!!