



Tole Friends' News

November 2006

Do you want to participate in all Tole Friends has to offer, but are not a member? You may join anytime. The sign up form is at <http://tolefriends.net/signup> .

- access to our password protected member's pages, which contain in-depth lessons designed specially for the Tole Friends members, articles about the history of decorative painting, painting projects, tips, topic chats, a mentor forum where experts can help individuals on a one-on-one basis with any painting problem, and more, great decorative painting information.

All of this is available for \$12.00 per year, and in on one website to members of Tole Friends. Take advantage of this low membership fee to have access to the best decorative painting list and website online.

- The member's mailing list is active, friendly, and you can receive a fast reply to any painting related questions. There are several options for receiving the mail from the mailing list. You can receive **individual** messages from the other members of Tole Friends and reply to them from your own mailbox, or receive your mail in **digest** form, which includes 8 to 10 messages in one message, or **read and reply from the archives**; the choice of mail delivery is yours. The following lessons and publications are **only part** of all the information that is available for members:

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Subscribing to our free newsletter does **NOT** include a membership or subscription to Tole Friends' Association. All items marked with * in this newsletter are **ONLY available to REGISTERED MEMBERS** of Tole Friends' Association.

You must be a paid member in good standing in order to access these portions; they are shown in the newsletter to let subscribers know what is available. There are other sections on our [public pages](#), which can be accessed freely.

Please [click here to become a member](#) of Tole Friends.

Tell your friends about the newsletter and be sure to share it with all your painting friends, chapter members, and anyone interested in painting by forwarding it.

Highlights for November are:

Links marked with * can only be accessed by registered members.



Lesson 15 – Fraktur "Bless This House O Lord" by Kay Baranowski, MDA


This lesson will be available until December 31st. On January 1st a new lesson by Debbie Slavin will be available; a small image of our January lesson is already on our homepage <http://tolefriends.com> .

[The lesson can be downloaded by members.](#) *

ARTICLES:

- [Filete Argentino](#) * – an article by María Marta Rossi of Argentine. It tells about the history of this painting style, with origins in Europe and typical for Buenos Aires, Argentine.
- [Perfect Linework](#) * by Phyllis Tilford, CDA helping us to get our line work to a new level.
- [Product Review](#)-#1; * Nancy Snellen showing us what to do with all those wonderful products and gadgets we bought at one time or always wanted to buy and we do not know how to use.
- [Rufus Porter](#) * History article by Barb Franzreb about his style and more.
- [Stenciling Techniques](#) * different and totally "out of the box" stenciling techniques and ideas by Rebecca Baer, CDA.
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- [Product Review](#)-#2; * Nancy Snellen giving us more information on what to do with all those wonderful products and gadgets we bought at one time or always wanted to buy and we do not know how to use.
- [Baltimore Screen Painting](#) * A detailed history and samples of the traditional Baltimore Screen Painting by Roxanne M. Jarvis.
- [Antiquing](#) * A detailed description of two oil antiquing methods by Phyllis Tilford, CDA

PAINTING PROJECTS:

		
<p>Clock in Filete Argentino * style by María Marta Rossi of Argentine.</p>	<p>Heart-shaped box * with Bluebird and Dogwood by Sharon Sailor-Chinn</p>	<p>Catch-all * painted in Rufus Porter style by Barb Franzreb. Only available until Nov. 30th 2006!!!</p>
		
<p>Joy to the World * Angel Ornament by Myra Mahy Only available until Nov. 30th 2006!!!</p>		<p>Hobo Snowman Sledge * By Sandra Malone</p>

Topic Chats:

Every Thursday evening at 9:00 pm EST, we have informal social chats where "Anything Goes". Guests are welcome, no username or password is required, though we encourage you to **use your real name + State abbreviation** instead of screen names i.e. MaryC-NY.

Attending the informal chats is a good way to meet some of our members. You can ask more details about joining Tole Friends than we can tell you in this newsletter. [Click here](#) to access the chat room.

Tole Friends' has six painting related Topic Chats per year. The guest speakers for each of the chats are experts on the chosen subject. During the Topic Chats those attending can ask the speaker questions about the subject of discussion. It is an excellent way to learn more about a painting technique.

The chat room is available for guests, no member's username or password is required. Our next topic chat will be November 9, 2006. Our guest speaker is Mary McCullah, CDA on painting animals. Exclusive pre-chat information, including images and worksheets is available [for registered members](#) * A complete chat log will be supplied after the chat; access to the log is only for registered members.

If you are interested in joining the chat, as a guest or a registered member, simply go to <http://www.tolefriends.com/classroom.html> to read about the guidelines and join us. A link to the chat room is provided at the bottom of the page.

Tole Friends' Charity Program

<http://tolefriends.org/>

The Memory Box Program was developed to paint paper mache boxes for parents who have lost a baby at birth or shortly afterwards. There is a great need for these boxes and it is a wonderful contribution of our art to a worthy charity. Your work of art will become a cherished heirloom for a grieving family. This is an invitation to our membership to contribute to the Memory Box Program with one or more painted boxes. There is no obligation for anyone to participate and there is not a monthly minimum per person.



There is a great need of boxes for the parents of these babies. Marie has a waiting list of hospitals who would love to be included in this program. Tole Friends can make a huge difference. The box is a place to keep their few precious memories of this child. We can help to alleviate the suffering of parents who go home without their baby.

Marie Gemmil is the administrator of the Memory Box Program and a member of TF. If you have any questions, please write to her at mgemmil@charter.net. If you have a question that might be of general interest, please send it to the TF list.

Brenda Rickman is the chair of Tole Friend's Charity Committee; she will update anything via the mailing list. She can be reached through charity@tolefriends.com to answer any question you may have. Be sure to fill out and submit the form for the boxes you ship each quarter so you are entered into the ongoing Tole Friends Memory Box Contest. The winners for the third quarter of 2006 are **Molliann Stocks** and **Gloria Falk, representing the Gateway Decorative Artists Chapter.**

Once you have completed a box, or boxes, contact [Marie](#) and she will send you a name and address of a hospital that needs boxes. Go to the TF web site to find the information on where to purchase boxes and any other information concerning size, etc.

Thank you to those members of Tole Friends who have painted boxes for the Memory Box Program, and urge you keep up the good work. You do not need to be a member of Tole Friends to paint boxes for this worthy charity.

Sincerely,
The Tole Friends Board and the Charity Committee

Tole Friends' Boutique

Income from our boutique is applied to help fund our education and publishing programs, which benefit our membership. Purchases from the boutique help to keep our membership fee low.

It is not necessary to be a member to purchase items from the boutique. It is available for everyone to shop.



Karen has been working on bookmarks and new note cards for the boutique. The bookmarks and note cards will make lovely gifts for the holidays. They will be ready for sale in the boutique



within the next few days. Keep watching for new designs they will be coming in the next few weeks.



There is a link called "tell a friend" on all of the details page for items in the boutique. It is a great way to let friends and family know about any item that you would like to receive as a gift or you think they might like to own. Use this link and get the word out about the lovely gifts in the TF boutique; this is a way to support some of the costs of Tole Friends.



Packets that cost \$ 1.20 each!!!! Does that bargain really exist? Yes!!! It does, check out the Fundraiser Combo of painting projects – something for every level of painting, for every medium, for every style of painting, 21 projects by 21 designers. This is available as an instant digital download or as a shipped CD. More projects and information than you would receive in any book or magazine!!!

Coming soon:

More future in-depth lessons, painting projects, chats, and publications are shown on [our homepage](#).

We continue to accept submissions for our publications, [click here for the guidelines](#). It is not mandatory to be a member of Tole Friends in order to submit a project or article for publication.

Tole Friends' monthly free newsletter
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Cookbook auction:

LAST CHANCE!!!!

Our first two fundraisers for Tole Friends have become collectors' items. Now is your last chance to own one or both of these cookbooks. The large 2002 Cookbook contains 1,000 recipes from all over the world. These are tried and true recipes sent in by the members of Tole Friends. The 2004



Cookbook contains 350 recipes, which were the ones that could not be included in the 2002 Cookbook due to space regulations. The cookbooks were professionally printed and included hints and tips.

These cookbooks will not be reprinted; one of our members has graciously donated two of each size of these books to help raise money for Tole Friends. Now is the time for each of us to show how much we appreciate this donation by bidding on the cookbooks.

The auction is open to anyone, and these are unique gifts for Christmas and a collector's item for anyone who loves to cook or collects cookbooks. The auction has **six more days** before it closes. It is easy to bid, go to the auction site, register with a username and password and place a bid. Let us see how much money we can earn for the TF programs. Place your bids now!!!!

Have a great painting time.

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