



# Bluegrass Tolerers Newsletter



*President's Message*

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## **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!**

Being a mother is such a privilege and I'm so thankful for the two children (and their children) I have.

We had a great class with Rose last month. I want to thank Rose for her hard work, and you for the large number to attend. It's great when we can be together and share in something we all love to do. For those who weren't able to be there, we hope you may attend this month. Bessie Bain is bringing our project this month and detailed information is provided later in the newsletter. **If you plan to attend**, please let me know at [cbolin522@gmail.com](mailto:cbolin522@gmail.com). We need to know how many in order for Bessie and our lunch providers to prepare. Donna Howard and Connie Bolin are bringing lunch. **We are still in need of lunch volunteers for July and November.**

We have discovered that Mark Polomchak won't be able to be with us at our retreat this year. He has a scheduling conflict. I've contacted him and ask him not to forget us in the future. However, we have to make changes in our retreat activities. It was voted on at the meeting that the executive committee meet to discuss some alternatives. If you have any ideas on what we could do, please contact me and I will share your thoughts with the group. Hopefully, we will have something to report in May. Please make plans to attend the retreat and volunteer to help with the planning. It is at Lake Cumberland State Park, October 23-27, 2019. Call now to make your reservations at 270-343-3311. We always have fun and paint some wonderful projects.

Don't forget about our "Opportunity to Make Money" for our club. The paintings are on our website if you would like to see them. Suggested amounts are \$1 a ticket or six tickets for \$5. Also, please remember our community service project. Bring your plastic bags for Bessie to give to the local food pantry.

Hope to see you at this month's meeting!!

Connie



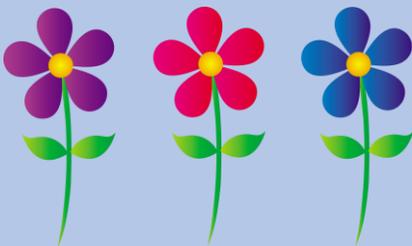
*May's Project*

I've banished Winter, saith the  
Spring,  
Awake! arise, ye flowers!  
Brisk breezes blow,  
Bright sunshine glow,  
And rouse the young Year's  
powers.  
~Henry James Slack

**Class Day:** Thursday, May 16, 2019  
**Class Time:** 9:30 AM - arrive early to set up and be ready to paint  
**Class Place:** Versailles/Woodford County UK Extension Office  
**Lunch Plans:** Donna Howard will be providing our meal

Come learn with Bessie Bain when she teaches a gorgeous pen and ink with oil rouging project - Coneflowers with Hummingbird (photo below). Bessie will provide all the necessary supplies for a class fee of \$20. This will be done on 11 x 14, 140 lb. cold press water paper, pattern applied.

Please let Connie know if you are planning to attend at [cbolin522@gmail.com](mailto:cbolin522@gmail.com) so that Bessie may plan appropriately.



*Please remember our ongoing community project and participate!  
Bessie Bain will be collecting plastic grocery bags each time we meet  
for donation to local charitable organizations.*

MEETING MINUTES - BLUEGRASS TOLERS

4-18-19, 9:30am

Cooperative Extension Office, Versailles, KY

The meeting was called to order by Connie after lunch and a morning of painting led by Rose Amburgey. Thanks, Rose!

Connie mentioned the "opportunity" to donate to our club for a chance to win one of 5 paintings donated by Robert Warren and Mark Polomchak. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6.

It looks as if Mark will not be able to attend our October retreat (Oct 23-26). Much discussion was held on how to replace him. Suggestions were:

- 1) make-it-/take-it led by our own teachers,
- 2) one of the 3 Cincinnati artists (Gayle),
- 3) Gini Deaton, Indiana,
- 4) Michael Cheek.

Some of these were not available. **It was asked that everybody send any suggestions you might have to Connie.** Jo Carol suggested that all our teaching members bring to our May meeting samples of what you could teach in case we decide to do make-it/take-it for our retreat. Diane made a motion to appoint a committee to investigate our options and report back to the full group in May. It was decided to appoint our Executive Committee for that purpose. Seconded by Whitney.

We still need lunch volunteers for July and November.

TEACHING SCHEDULE

May 16 - Bessie, coneflowers/hummingbird

June 20 - Diane

July 18 - Debbie

August 15 - Barbara, rooster

September 19 - Sowmya, hibiscus

October 17-19 - retreat

November 21 - Mina, Santa gourd

LUNCH SCHEDULE

May - Donna & Connie

June - Byrle, Diane, Debbie

July

Aug - Shirley, Rose, Bettye

Sep - Whitney, Diane

Nov -

-- Donna Howard



The year's at the spring  
And day's at the morn;  
Morning's at seven;  
The hillside's dew-pearled;  
The lark's on the wing;  
The snail's on the thorn;  
God's in His heaven -  
All's right with the world!  
~Robert Browning





The naked earth is warm with  
Spring,  
And with green grass and  
bursting trees  
Leans to the sun's kiss  
glorying,  
And quivers in the sunny  
breeze.  
~Julian Grenfell



If we had no winter, the  
spring would not be so  
pleasant.  
--Anne Bradstreet



**May**

*Can it be that we don't have any member birthdays in May? If we've somehow missed your special day, please let us know so we can update our records!*

*Bluegrass Tolars Officers*

- President – Connie Bolin ([cbolin522@gmail.com](mailto:cbolin522@gmail.com))  
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*2019 Instructors & Lunch Volunteers*

<b>Month</b>	<b>Instructors</b>	<b>Projects</b>	<b>Lunch Volunteers</b>
May 16	Bessie Bain	Coneflowers w/Hummingbird	Donna, Connie
June 20	Diane McCamish		Bryle, Diana, Debbie
July 18	Debbie McQueary		
August 15	Barbara Ryan	Rooster	Shirley, Rose, Bettye
September 19	Sowmya Viji	Hibiscus	Whitney, Diane
October 23-27	Retreat		
November 21	Mina McLean	Santa Gourd	

Note: Volunteers are needed to provide lunch for July and November. Should you wish to volunteer, please email Connie at [cbolin522@gmail.com](mailto:cbolin522@gmail.com).

Make plans to attend!  
 Bluegrass Tolars Annual Retreat – October 23-27, 2019  
 Lake Cumberland State Park

# *Bluegrass Tolars 2019 Member Application*

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\$15.00

Mail to:

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Cecilia, KY 42724

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Permission to list in Directory  Yes  No

New  Renewal

Student  Teacher

Birthday (Day/Month) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Bluegrass Tolars

Amount Enclosed: check \_\_\_\_\_ cash \_\_\_\_\_