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## Greetings From the Key Board

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Here I go again! Where did summer and fall go? The frost is falling every night, gardens are put to bed and the “snow birds”, have flown, south! Classes are down a bit with the students leaving town for the

holidays. Six weeks will be Christmas! Each year it returns quicker and is harder to get in the mood for! Money seems to be scarcer each year, with the increasing cost of fuel oil, food, electricity, and gasoline! Not to mention health care, will not start on that subject!

This is the time of year to count our blessings, of which we all have many. We live in the freest country in the world, with the best of everything life has to offer. Education, health care and food for all. We spend more money taking care of the poor and, helping other countries with major problems. We are the most generous people the world has ever know. We have rights and privileges that other countries envy. No one is lined up at our borders to exit! The opposite is true. Let us all exercise the one thing that will keep us free, and that is VOTE. It is a privilege and a right, not exercised enough. Educate your self and VOTE.

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# Ribbons

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In September, several TEAM members attended the New England Traditions Convention in Marborough MA. This is sponsored by the New England Chapter Council. (They use the initials NET).

I highly recommend this convention, for next year. A wonderful group of people run it

and the teachers are fantastic! Among the teachers was our own Arlee Jenkins. Loved the trade show (and spent too much money), I had thought this was just for those that know how to "float", colors and do very intricate paintings on wood. I was wrong, it is a well run convention for everyone.

I entered the art show and won second place in JUDGES CHOICE with a portrait of my father, which also won first place. I got a first place with a portrait done with pastels, and forth with an acrylic street scene. I competed in the Professional division. I also won 'Most creative in the Pajama, parade, at the Saturday night PJ party.

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*Each chapter that belongs has a JOB to do for NET,. These jobs are all done by volunteers from these chapters.*

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## WINNERS!

**Pati Dority** Won first place in the MINI, Professional painting division, for an animal, and second place in the same division for a landscape. **These are doll house sized paintings!**

**Linda Coburn**, Competing in the Hobbyist Division- Won First place in the Peoples Choice, First in WC, third in Folk Art, Second in still life and second for hobbyist original design.

**Suzi Franklin**, Also Hobbyist division, won first for McNaughton stroke work, third for a Santa gourd, first for a flower and second for a Wc

**Congratulations to the winners for their hard work.**

**Correction from last report, Pati won first and second in the art contest we had last June Seminar—sorry Pati!**



## Illness reports

### Carol Weber, and Nick--

Went on an Oct. Vacation, as usual, she never has a dull moment! When she returned, ended up in the hospital for 6 days, with numerous blood clots in her lungs! Am happy to report, she is recovering and gradually returning to her normal activities.

**Annie Krampitz--** Went to the hospital for an angioplasty, and had a stent implanted. Soon as she returned home, she ended up in the ER, and the hospital, again—a bad reaction to a new medicine that they tried on her, am also glad to report she is back home, and doing well.



**David Allen** my husband, is having a procedure done under anesthesia, the day after Thanksgiving, a correction due to his prior prostate surgery. Needless to say, he is not a happy camper! When this heals, he is to have another problem fixed. If it is not one thing it is another after the age of 70!

**Kathy Saunders** Broke her foot a month ago, and again am happy to report, she is doing well and should be walking wearing 2 shoes, shortly!

**Betty Allen** I am having a procedure December 3<sup>rd</sup>, that hopefully will tell, me and the doctors what is the problem with my esophagus. Dr tells me I have the damage of a person that has smoked 4 packs a day for life! I have never smoked 1 cigarette! and I have lost 32 pounds since May—30 more to go!

Want to wish all the above the best of luck and sending wishes for a healthy winter!



Seminar June 25-26-27-28 save these dates for the Seminar. Information and sign ups will start in January. A Good faith totally, refundable deposit of 100.00 will hold your place, and will be requested then. There will be a few changes from last year, all for the better I hope, as I am taking into consideration all your helpful comments from last June. Mark will be teaching watercolors, Arlee Jenkins, oil, Suzi Franklin, acrylic on a shirt, and myself w/ batik, so far.

**Arlee Jenkins** Has sold her house in Rhode Island, but she says she is going to teach at the JUNE Seminar. All who want to apply to teach, please do so, contact me for a teaching contract.

## Words of Wisdom

Money will buy a fine dog, but only love will make him wag his tail!

Seat belts are not as confining as a wheelchair!

The nicest thing about the future is, it always starts tomorrow!

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Be sure and send me your information, for the next newsletter, which will be the first of the year! I know several of you are traveling, let me know your adventures for the next newsletter.

In the mean time, enjoy your families and the holidays—Happy Thanksgiving and the Merriest of Christmases.

Betty Allen

