Dear Gateway Decorative Artists,

The Phoenix Conference was a blast. As usual, I wore myself out with painting and partying. It always shocks me



that there are so many people in the world just like me. Tracy was our representative at the Chapter's Conference and I'm sure she got a lot of really good ideas for us. Our display at the Chapter Silent Auction was

wonderful. Thanks to everyone, who supported Gateway by offering a piece of their work. But, the highlight for me must have been the presentation of the quilt to Mom. She was awed by our skills at not only painting, but at secret keeping! To see her work interpreted in so many ways by her friends touched her. A huge thank you must be given to Mary Jane Jett for coordinating the quilt project. It wouldn't have happened without you! The quilt will be on display at the June meeting. Well done everybody.

The summer field trip is growing near. On August 28th at 11:00, we will be going to Josephine's in Godfrey, IL and to Alton for some shopping. RSVPs will be taken at the June meeting. Please let me know if you are able to attend (and bring a guest if you'd like). Last year's field trip to Kimmswick was really fun. Don't miss out!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our June Garden Party meeting.

See you soon, Allison

GARDEN PARTY

To welcome home Carolyn Bacon

We have a number of things planned so don't miss this wonderful time to welcome Carolyn back from SDP.

We will have a wonderful time painting with two of our members; Kathy Colter and Jan Rosenburg.

Bring normal acrylic painting supplies.

Bonnie Stout Update:

Cost of the Pieces:

Metal Pumpkin \$15.00 (not sure about the cost)

Large wood snowflake \$20.00

Metal can - Bonnie has those

If you want the metal pumpkin or the wood snowflake you will need to pay for them by the June meeting.