

THE TRAIL OF
PAINTED PONIES



COLLECTORS CLUB



Welcome to The Trail of Painted Ponies and the Official Collectors Club E-Newsletter! Each month it will be our pleasure to share insider information from The Trail. This E-Newsletter is our free gift to collectors and we hope it is enjoyed all year long. Happy Trails!

WHAT'S NEW

Dillard's Releases Exclusive Pony

We are proud to announce that in mid-March, 2008, "Kindred Spirits", a new figurine from The Trail of Painted Ponies, will be available exclusively at Dillard's Department Stores around the country. Check with your local Dillard's for availability. For information, [Click Here](#).

The Trail Gallery

The Trail Gallery was created to celebrate the American West and the exquisite art and unparalleled experiences that this Land of Legends provides for discerning travelers and distinguished residents.

The Home & Ranch Collection invites you to surround yourself with the comfortable elegance of this romantic Western lifestyle. Discover how it feels to live the dream and come home to the Ranch. To visit The Trail Gallery, please [Click Here](#).

Treasures from the Vault

As a special offering to our valued Trail of Painted collectors, and to accommodate collectors new to The Trail who missed out on Painted Pony merchandise when it was first introduced, we are announcing a new section on our Official Website: **Treasures from the Vault**. This month we will be featuring a rare and retired "Karuna" figurine and "Karuna" ornament set, a unique "War Pony" package, and many other hard-to-find figurines and merchandise from The Trail of Painted Ponies. To visit our **Treasures from the Vault**, please [Click Here](#).

OFFICIAL PAINTED PONIES STORE

More Rare Retired Ponies on The Official Painted Ponies Store

The Official Painted Ponies Store is proud to offer even more retired ponies than before. We have only a handful of these retired ponies, and they are: Horsepower to Burn, Patrol Horse, Route 66 Horse, Spirit War Pony, On Common Ground, Go Van Gogh, Willing, Floral Pony, Love as Strong as a Horse, and the Christmas Clydesdale holiday ornament. If you would like to purchase these retired ponies, please [Click Here](#).

March Madness Comes to the Official Painted Ponies Store

As a special gift to collectors during the month of March, we are offering 15% off across the board - on all Painted Pony merchandise in stock. When ordering, please enter the **Promotional Code: SPRINGPNY8**. To shop, [Click Here](#).

Please note: This offer expires on March 31, 2008.

Offer is not valid on "Tip-Toe Through The Tulips" from the Four Seasons Collection.

PUBLISHING FROM THE TRAIL

Announcing... National "FunRaiser" Supporting the Arts in Schools

Join us to support the arts in schools across America by purchasing copies of **American ArtParades** from participating schools. All of the profits from sales go directly to support school arts programs. This continues the extraordinary legacy of the public art parades that raised awareness and millions of dollars for worthy non-profit organizations.

This sensational new coffee table book celebrates the larger-than-life public art exhibitions that paraded across America. **American ArtParades** is the first and only book to artfully chronicle this new American Art Movement that has rocked the art world. For more information, please [Click Here](#).

COLLECTOR'S CORNER

Collector of the Month

My First Pony Story by Bud

My first pony was **Silverado**. I was raised on a dairy farm in the state of Kansas. I had a black gelding named Smokey. He was a very large horse, and he was my very best friend.



Silverado

Silverado reminds me of Smokey and brings back all of those precious memories of my childhood and teen years that I got to spend with my best friend Smokey. Since then, I now own 8 more Painted Ponies and each pony brings back precious memories that took place in my life. These ponies are not just to look at, because each one will let you live those precious memories that you have forgotten about that took place some where in your life. I am 59 years old, and I really do enjoy my ponies. I want to thank this [website](#) for introducing me to these Painted Ponies.

Artist of the Month

Award-winning Artist Selected for Dillard's Exclusive

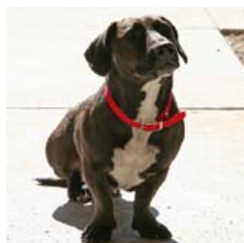
When Dillard's Department Store selected "Kindred Spirits" for their exclusive 2008 Painted Pony figurine (to be released in mid-March), they honored an artist whose accomplishments read like a listing in Who's Who. Not only was Debbie Hughbanks, who resides in northeastern Washington State, a finalist in The Trail of Painted Ponies "Native Art of Horse Painting" national competition, she has been the recipient of numerous President's Award and People's Choice Awards, and she was recently accepted for membership into The Worldwide Nature Artists Group (WNAG). Read more about her new figurine. [Click Here.](#)



Debbie Hughbanks

Philanthropy of the Month

The Humane Society of the United States is the nation's largest animal protection organization. They are a non-profit organization, and have more than ten million members and volunteers. Their mission is to celebrate animals and confront cruelty. They celebrated their 50th Anniversary in 2004, and are based out of Washington, D.C., but have regional representatives across the country. They have active programs in companion animals, wildlife and habitat protection, animals in research, and farm animals. They also have an important youth division that involves youth in animal protection and produces *KIND News*, a series of animal newspapers designed for grades K-6. For more information on the Human Society of the United States, please [Click Here.](#)



Humane Society of the United States

Collector News

American Collectors Insurance understands that your collectibles have not only sentimental value, but monetary value as well. A collectibles policy from American Collectors Insurance will provide you with excellent customer service from insurance specialists. In the event of a loss, you can expect friendly, hassle-free claims service and prompt payment on your insured collection. For more information, please [Click Here.](#)

Custom Painted Ponies Corral

Buy Straight from the Artists - The Trail of Painted Ponies is pleased to provide our collectors with the unique opportunity to buy custom Painted Ponies directly from our Official Painted Ponies Artists. To visit, [Click Here.](#)

Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 8, 2008

- Dillard's Signing Event with Ross Lampshire and Lori Musil

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- Daylight Savings Time Begins

Sunday, March 16, 2008

- Palm Sunday

Monday, March 17, 2008

- Saint Patrick's Day

Tuesday, March 18, 2008

- First Day of Spring

Sunday, March 23, 2008

- Easter

OFFICIAL COLLECTORS CLUB

Collectors everywhere are invited to discover all of the invaluable information, special discounts and exclusive opportunities that the Official Collectors Club provides. Simply click on any of the links below:

1. [The Collectors Checklist](#)
2. [Wish List](#)
3. [The Custom Painted Ponies Corral](#)
4. [The Collectors Forum](#)
5. [E-Greeting Cards](#)
6. [Screen Savers](#)
7. [Q & A from The Trail](#)
8. [Original Painted Ponies](#)
9. [Story Tags](#)

COMING NEXT MONTH

In April we will be introducing the **Four Seasons Collection**: four new limited-edition Painted Pony figurines that will celebrate Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter.