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Our Founders Day cake wasn't just beautiful it was  
DELICIOUS!

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

As the saying goes.. "I'm Back". I am lucky enough to be your Newsletter Editor for another year. I will be continuing to send these issues via e-mail booklet style (double sided the way you received hard copies of it in the past). The website version will be available about the same time you receive your file, or shortly after and will still be one page format

At the January Meeting I passed around two lists dealing with the newsletter. One asked for corrections to any e-mail addresses and were you able to read the file in the format sent and the second for people who want a hardcopy newsletter. As I announced, if you want the newsletter sent to you, then you had two choices the first if you want the newsletter in color the fee for the year would be \$24. If you want a Black and White copy the fee would be \$18. We are sorry to have to do this, but copy fees have increased and postage may go up again this year. Next to our rent the Newsletter is one of the highest expenses to the Chapter. There were several people who signed up for a hard copy, but not all of you have paid. Please send me your check at your earliest convenience if you are one of the ones who have not paid. Thank you.

Newsletter Deadlines:      April 1, 2016  
  June 3, 2016  
  August 5, 2016  
  October 7, 2016  
  December 2, 2016

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## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

I hope all of you survived the snow storm. It was beautiful if you didn't have to go anywhere. We had 24" and I didn't see my car for 4 days. Making the best thing of the situation – Paint. Quite a few UFO's disappeared off my shelf.

A great big thank you to Pat Jinkens –new Service Chairman who has several good ideas for projects more details later; Delores Khalouf – new Historian who will keep a record of the fun things that we do in 2016; and Rose Marie Geer who graciously volunteered to Chair the Christmas Party at our November meeting. It was especially nice to have new faces serving on the board. I really appreciate the dedication and support of our Board. Remember – you are all welcome to contribute to the success of our group.

I had a wonderful time with those who took my class in January. The first time that I tried one of the ornaments, I felt like I was in first grade again. The tangling went well but the folding – What can I say. But when all is said and done, it was fun at least for me. One thing that I didn't get to demonstrate was after completing the tangling on the ornament, I used a coat of Sparkle Glaze to add a little more class to it.

Thanks to the Hospitality Committee for tackling their first meeting with ease. If you haven't signed up to help with a monthly meeting, please see Cindie Martincic and do so. Thank you Susan Jaap for volunteering to be Cindi's assistant. If everyone takes a turn for only one meeting it will make everyone's life so much easier at lunch time. Looking forward to the Ethnic food in March.

Laura has some really nice classes in store for us this year. I hope many of you will take advantage of the many talented teachers lined up. I personally am looking forward to Mary Ann Yurus' class in March. After meeting some of Liz Miller's students at World of Color, I am excited to take her classes in May.

I leave you with my usual – the load is made lighter by many hands helping. Don't be shy, don't wait to be asked, jump in and volunteer – it really doesn't hurt.

### **BASKET LUNCHEON**

I am really looking forward to the Basket Luncheon on April 10. The Fairview Sunset Room is quite lovely and several who have attended events there say the food is also good. Laura has sent out emails to those who attended last year and tickets were available at the meeting. If you didn't get yours, please contact Laura right away. We would like to have all the money returned by the March meeting. Debbie Carosone handed out the table favors to be painted. Jeanne Delbusso will once again be creating our favors. Contact Jeanne if you would like to help. We had 29 really nice baskets last year. Contact Mary Ann Yurus if you plan on donating a basket. Contact Debbie Miller to donate a nice door prize. I would love to have everyone in the Chapter participate either by making a basket, donating a door prize or bringing all your friends and neighbors to the event. There will be a new procedure for ticket drawings. We hope it will speed things up. We will only be as successful as you help us to be.

## RETREAT

Theme: Ghosts, Witches, Goblins ...OOOOH MY!

DATE CHANGE – Oct 27 – Oct. 30 Halloween Weekend. Room reservations will be made directly with Antiochian either on the internet or by phone. More details will come as we work out the kinks with Antiochian. Thank you Rosann Wagner – Teacher letters have gone out. Start saving your pennies so you will be able to attend.

## RETREAT BOOK COVER CONTEST

Now that you know our theme, put on your thinking cap and design appropriate art work for the front cover. Submissions must be received by the May meeting. The winning entry will receive a special prize. Either bring to the May meeting or send to Mandy at msteele6453@ma.rr.com a week before the meeting.

## BASKET LUNCHEON

### DOOR PRIZES

Yep it's me again, Debbie Miller, asking you to go back into that closet and find me that special item that you want to share with a special person. Ok we know that there is an item that you enjoyed painting but really don't have a place to display it or even someone to give it to, So now is your chance to make someone very very happy. Bring the item or items to the March meeting or call me if you're not going and I will try and get someone close to you to come pick it up. Thank you again in advance. This means a lot to us. It helps raise funds needed to operate our club.

*Editor's 2¢ worth: This is our first year at Fairview. If you would like to see what the place looks like go to: <http://www.fairviewsunsetroom.com/photos.php>. Also, we will only be selling 170 tickets so you need to get your tickets as soon as possible.*

### *Directions:*

#### *Coming from the **South:***

*Merge onto I-79 N via EXIT 18 toward Pittsburgh 15.11 miles*

*Take the PA-50 exit, EXIT 54, toward Bridgeville 0.34 miles*

#### *Coming from the **North:***

*Merge onto I-79 S toward Washington. 13.83 miles*

*Take the PA-50 exit, EXIT 54, toward Bridgeville 0.32 miles*

### ***Either Direction:***

*Turn slight right onto PA-50/Millers Run Rd. toward Bridgeville 0.03 miles*

*Take the 1st right onto Washington Pike.*

*Fill 'N' Full Market is on the corner 1.49 miles*

*Your destination is just past Fairview Dr.*

**3326 WASHINGTON PIKE.**

*If you are on Fairview Dr and reach Alpine Rd you've gone  
about 0.4 miles too far.*

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – Nancy Reeser

No Report.

## **DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Cindy Martincic

No Report.

*Editor's 2¢ worth:* March is Ethnic Day. Bring in a dish from you heritage, maybe something you learned from your grandmother.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Debbie Miller

I'm so excited about our membership. Thank you for choosing to join our group.

Just a reminder if you know someone who might be interested in our painting group or maybe someone who use to be a member bring them to our next meeting.

Also I would ask anyone who has joined National to please bring their card to the March meeting. In case you haven't notice your National # has changed. Yes I know some of you have shown me your new number, but please help an old woman out and show me again. This time I will write it down. I have your old numbers.

If all goes well we will have the membership books at the March meeting.

Thank you again.

## **POINTS**

Chairman – Rosann Wagner

No Report.

*Editor's 2¢ worth:* Remember to keep track of your points. Also, points this year will be worth 25¢

## **RECORDING SECRETARY**

January 17, 2016 Chapter Meeting

The meeting started at 1:25 with Virg Simmons making a motion to accept the minutes printed in the newsletter. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Delores Khalouf. Motion Carried

### **Program-Laura Angelo**

Sign-ups are on the table for the Liz Miller classes being held in May. Laura is collecting monies today. \$45 for National Members and \$50 for non-members. Laura asked if we want her to order surfaces for this seminar. A question was asked concerning paint to be used at the Liz Miller classes. Friday and Saturday will be a combo of both Decoart acrylic and Decoart Traditions. Sunday will be Decoart acrylics only.

Mary Ann Yurus is teaching an acrylic with texture painting of tulips at the March meeting. Cost is \$25 for national members and \$30 for non-national members.

### **Membership-Debbie Miller**

There were 30 members in attendance today. 48 have paid 2016 membership dues. Ticket winner was Pat Jinkens.

### **Treasurer-Rosemary Habers**

Rosemary gave the treasurers report and announced the 990 N was filed and accepted for 2015.

### **Ways 'n Means-Jeanne Delbusso**

Jeanne thanked everyone that donated items for Ways 'n Means today.

### **New Board Member**

#### **Service-Pat Jinkens**

Pat would like to do a service project for veterans. She talked about purses for a woman's shelter and announced that she has boxes to take home and paint for memory projects.

Mandy stated that more members need to be involved with the service projects, etc. We had 68 members last year and only about 25% of the members do all of the work.

### **Decorative Painting Month-Rhonda Gillespie**

Rhonda announced that displaying items is a very easy way to get points

### **New Board Member**

#### **Delores Khalouf**

No report

### **New Board Member**

#### **Rosie Geer**

Mandy asked for a volunteer to be in charge of the Christmas party this year. Rose Geer graciously accepted the position.

George Dille announced that Ora Lee Foringer fell and broke her hip. She will be bringing more of her magazines to the next meeting.

Mandy went over the 2016 budget. Laura made a motion to approve the 2016 budget as proposed. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cindie Martincic. Motion carried

### **Basket Luncheon-Board**

The basket luncheon will be on April 10<sup>th</sup> at the Fairview Sunset room. The tickets were handed out today. Anyone not at the January meeting can call Laura Angelo for tickets. Jeanne will need some help painting favors. Feel welcome to contact her. Debbie Carosone is in charge of centerpieces. Debbie Miller will be collecting door prizes for the luncheon. If you have something nice that you would like to donate, please contact Debbie. It would be great to have door prizes at the March meeting. Mary Ann Yurus is in charge of the baskets. We had 29 last year and would like to keep that amount or go higher. More than one person can go together and do a basket. Baskets should have 2 painted items and be worth \$50.00.

### **Retreat**

Due to prior bookings the retreat will be held October 27 to October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mandy sent out letters to past attendees that are not members letting them know that there is a schedule change.

All rooms will be booked through Antiochian. When booking a 50% deposit must be made.

Registration and class sales will still be done through The Golden Triangle Decorative Painters. We hope to see you there.

### **New Board Member**

#### **Hospitality**

Cindie ordered hoagies and a Cake for Founders day. Members brought in lots of other goodies. Cindie has a partner in crime that will be assisting with Hospitality Susan Jaap. The theme for the next meeting will be bring your favorite nationality dish.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20

Respectfully Submitted by Debbie Carosone

### **WAYS & MEANS**

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

We had five lucky winners at the January Meeting:

Dot Hoffman  
Jeanne Delbusso  
Dolores Khalouf  
Virg Simmons  
Susan Jaap

Our 50/50 winner was Pat Stepko



## PROGRAM

Chairman – Laura Angelo



We had a great time in January learning some zentangles for our origami bell ornament we folded ourselves.



## PROGRAM (cont'd)

March 20, 2016 – MaryAnn Yurus



If you are a member of National then you pay \$25; otherwise the class is \$30. The normal acrylic supplies are needed.

## PROGRAM (cont'd)

May 13, 14, 15, 2016 - Liz Miller



Friday – Cobalt and Hydrangeas



Saturday – White Tulips

## PROGRAM (cont'd)



Sunday – Seashells

Classes are \$50 per day. If you show proof of belonging to National your class will be \$45. All classes are acrylic classes. Call Laura Angelo for surface info. Friday's class is 16 x 20, Saturday's class is 12 x 16 and Sundays (2) classes are 6 x 6.

# 2016 POINTS SYSTEM

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	RULES	Points	Total
1	Each Board Meeting Attended	6	
2	<p>Serving on the Board:</p> <p><b>President</b></p> <p><b>Elected Officers:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> VP, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Corresponding Secretary Newsletter Editor, Publicity, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Ways and Means</p> <p><b>Appointed Officers:</b> Hospitality, Parliamentarian, Points System, Service,</p> <p><b>Special Committees:</b> Decorative Painting Month, Nominating</p>	<p>25</p> <p>20</p> <p>10</p> <p>5</p>	
3	Chapter dues for the following year paid by December 1 <sup>st</sup> of the current year	1	
4	Bringing a new member into the Chapter	3	
5	Donation of items to the Chapter Ways & Means or Hospitality (1point per \$10 value)	1+	
6	Teaching a make-it/Take-it at Chapter Business meeting	3	
7	<p>One point for each item displayed in any month to promote Decorative Painting Month.</p> <p>Limited to a maximum of 15 Points. (Must provide picture of display to Committee Chair)</p>	1+	
8	<p>SPRING BASKET LUNCHEON</p> <p>a. Chairperson(s)</p> <p>b. Special Committee (Basket Committee, Door Prize Committee, Ticket Committee, etc.)</p> <p>c. Painting a large special raffle project. A maximum of 10 points will be awarded</p> <p>d. Painting a centerpiece</p> <p>e. Donation of a Basket (TOTAL of 20 points)</p> <p>f. Donation of a painted door prize item (1 point per \$10 value). Maximum of 3 points.</p> <p>g. Painting favors 1 point for 5 pieces painted, 3 points for each 10 pieces painted</p> <p>h. Selling Luncheon tickets for Basket Luncheon (1 point for every 10 tickets sold)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10</p> <p>10</p> <p>5</p> <p>20</p> <p>1+</p> <p>1+</p> <p>1+</p>	
9	<p>RETREAT</p> <p>a. Chairman (Co-Chairing)</p> <p>b. Special Committee Chairman (not co-chairing)</p> <p>c. Special Committee Chairman (co-chairing)</p> <p>d. Working on a special committee</p> <p>e. Donations for goodie bags. (1 point per \$5 value)</p> <p>f. Painting a large raffle item. Maximum of 10 Points awarded</p> <p>g. Painting a Door Sign</p> <p>h. Painting a centerpiece</p> <p>i. Painting favors 1 point for 5 pieces painted, 3 points for each 10 pieces painted</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10</p> <p>5</p> <p>3</p> <p>1+</p> <p>10</p> <p>5</p> <p>5</p> <p>3+</p>	
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	RULES	Points	Total
10	CHRISTMAS PARTY a. Chairman b. Co-Chairman c.. Donation of item to Christmas Party (1 point per \$5 value)  <b>All donation points awarded are subject to Chairman's approval and validation.</b>	10 5 1+	
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	COMBINED TOTAL OF PAGE 1 and 2 (#1-10)		

- The "+" means additional quantities

**TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS YOU MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING AS DEFINED IN OUR BY-LAWS.**





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**POINTS SYSTEM FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY DECEMBER 31, 2016**

## 2016 BOARD MEMBERS

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	E-V	Recording Secretary:	<b>Debbie Carosone</b>	724-746-3168
	E-V	Treasurer:	<b>Rosemary Habers</b>	412-741-5158
	E-V	Ways and Means:	<b>Jeanne Delbusso</b>	724-941-2415
	E-V	Publicity:	<b>Mary Ann Yurus</b>	724-745-8337
	E-V	Newsletter Editor:	<b>Rosemary Habers</b>	412-741-5158
	E-V	Corresponding Secretary:	<b>Nancy Reeser</b>	724-360-8113
	A-V	Historian:	<b>Delores Khalouf</b>	724-941-5239
	A-V	Hospitality:	<b>Cindie Martincic</b>	724-222-7449
	A-V	Points System:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212



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	A-NV	Nominating:		
	A-NV	Parliamentarian:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212
	A-NV	Service:	<b>Pat Jenkins</b>	724-225-6399
	A-NV	Retreat Chairman:	<b>Debbie Carosone</b>	724-746-3168
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	<b>Board</b>	

**E** – Elected      **A** – Appointed    **V** – Voting      **NV** – Non-Voting

### Calendar of Events

March 20, 2016	MaryAnn Yurus	Tulips
May 13	Liz Miller	Cobalt & Hydrangeas
14	Liz Miller	White Tulips
15	Liz Miller	Seashells
July 17, 2016	Ellen Belisle	Santa Sled
October 27 – 30	Retreat	
September 18, 2016	Rosemary Habers	Polar Bear Christmas
November 20, 2016	Chapter Meeting	

**Meetings are held at the: I.O.O.F Hall**  
**3684 Finleyville-Elrama Rd.**  
**Finleyville, Pa. 15332**

**Unless stated otherwise, painting classes will start at 9:30 A.M. and the doors open at 9:00.**

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