



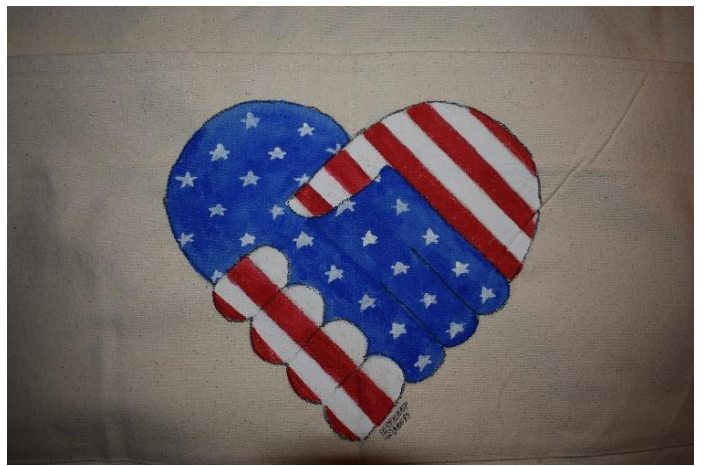
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Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July G.T.D.P.

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July All. Hope all of you who have picnics plans are safe and stay Covid free.

Our Service project is going remarkably well. Thank all of you who have painted a walker bag for our disabled vets. The Chapter purchased 96 and we had a dozen bags donated. WOW. We'll have what's left to paint at the July Meeting. We'll also have some memory boxes that need painted at the meeting as well.

Mary Ann will be teaching two adorable penguins on an iceberg at the July Meeting. If you haven't signed up or given your money to Cindie please submit it as soon as possible. Mary Ann needs to know how many surfaces to have and prep.

Can't wait for Mandy's class in September. This project was scheduled for September 2020 but due to Covid had to be cancelled. It will be a 2 day class so mark your calendars now.

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers  
2022 Newsletter Editor  
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## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Hello Painting friends –

As I write this newsletter I am thinking how fortunate our chapter has been to have so many teachers pass through our doors. I know we always want to be able to take a class from a BIG Brush but our local teachers have taught us much more than the national artists. I want to send out a big THANK YOU to all of our local teachers past and present.

I will be making a trip to Crestfield Camping and Conference Center soon to check the facility.

Thanks to all of you who signed up for my class in May. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. Mary Ann is teaching the Penguins in July and I am looking forward to that

Hope you are enjoying the summer. I love to paint on my deck and listen to the birds sing.

See you in July  
Happy Painting. Rosann.

## **BASKET LUNCHEON**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Our basket luncheon was again held at the Sunset Room at Fairview on April, 24, 2022. . There were 111 people in attendance and everyone got a door prizes this year.*

*Next year's date has not been announced yet but the price will need to be increased to at least \$25. This will be finalized when the menu has been finalized*

*This is our only fundraiser. It supports our memory boxes, donated to hospital neo-natal units, Veterans walker bags and food and other supplies to Animal Friends.*





## BASKET LUNCHEON (Cont'd)

Chairman – Karen Pagasky



## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Chairman –

*Editor's 2¢ worth: If you know of anyone who needs a card, please let a Board member know.*

## **DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Susan Jaap

*Editor's 2¢ worth: July is Picnic Day. The Chapter will supply the hot dogs and fixings. Please bring your favorite picnic side or disserts.*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Hopefully we have all received our new Membership cards by now so please bring it to our July Meeting. If you haven't received it bring your paid receipt for confirmation.*

*Also, the new Membership Books were passed out at the March meeting. If you didn't get yours or if there are any changes to your info email me at [habersr1@aol.com](mailto:habersr1@aol.com) or see me at the July meeting with the changes.*

## **POINTS**

*Editor's 2¢ worth: **The Golden Dollars Program has ended.** Any unused dollars can no longer be used.*

## **RECORDING SECRETARY**

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo

May 15, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Rosann Wagner at 1:00. She asked if there were any changes to the minutes as published in the last newsletter. There were none and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Susan Jaap and seconded by Virginia Simmons.

1st VP- Programs- Cindi Martincic

July 17- Mary Ann Yurus- Penguins

September 18- Mandy Steele- oil “Copper vase w/ Sunflowers”, It will be a 2 day class (Saturday and Sunday) for \$50

Discussion held on looking into Lynne Banting coming back and teaching a paint seminar

2nd VP- Rhonda Gillespie(absent)

A discussion was held on how to get members to come back to meetings after the 2 year shutdown. A postcard will be printed and sent to members 2 weeks before the next meeting.

Corresponding Secretary- Carol D’Abruzzo

Carol to be notified to send Rhonda a get well card

Treasurer- Rosemary Habers

Rosemary read the treasurer report to members and a discussion was held on earmarking funds for Retreat and Basket Luncheon

Newsletter- Rosemary Habers

June 3 is the deadline for submissions to the newsletter

Hospitality- Susan Jaap

The July meeting will be our annual picnic. Chapter making hotdogs and members are to bring side dishes.

Ways and Means- Jeanne Delbusso

Drawings were held and the winners were Laura Angelo, Susan Jaap, Jeanne Delbusso, Karen Pagasky, and Virginia Simmons. The 50/50 drawing was won by Sharon Livingood.

Service- Bill Habers

There are a few walker totes to be painted and all pre-painted bags were distributed to veteran organizations. There were some memory boxes to be taken and painted.

Historian- Delores Khalouf

Delores is getting the scrapbook ready

Basket Luncheon-Karen Pagasky, Sharon Livingood, Amy Shelhammer and Linda Wyke

Finally, after two years, the 2022 Luncheon was held. We sold 111 tickets and had 24 baskets to raffle and there was a large amount of door prizes to give away. Plans are underway for next year and a date needs to be set. Ticket prices will be raised to \$25 for 2023.

New Business

President Rosann Wagner held a discussion about her attending a zoom meeting with National about fundraising and she relayed to those members how we have our Basket Luncheon every year to raise funds for chapter expenses. National holds zoom painting sessions online.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:34 by Judy Shuba and seconded by Paulette Caldwell.

Respectfully Submitted  
Laura Angelo  
2022 Recording Secretary

## **PROGRAM**

Chairman – Cindie Martincic

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SIGN-UPS:**

We have been developing a problem with sign-ups. In the last several Classes some people have signed up, not paid and not taken the class. When you sign up for a class the teacher purchases the surface(s) for the class and additional supplies to meet requirement for completing the project. If you don't pay at sign up or show up with the fee at the meeting the teacher then ends up with extra surfaces and more supplies than needed for the project. These teachers don't charge you for their time teaching or time prepping the surfaces, only the cost of the surface and supplies. All of this costs the teacher money and since they don't make any money for teaching or profit on the projects it is going to get to the point the teachers are thinking twice about scheduling a class. It is therefore necessary to implement a new sign up. If you have not paid at the time of your sign-up you will have to have your money sent to Cindi by the first day of the month the class is held. If Cindie does not receive the money by that date your name will NOT be counted as a student and a surface will NOT be available for you. We're sorry this has to be done but our teachers do not make any money teaching these classes at meetings. It's not fair that it should cost them money. We don't want to lose our teachers. PLEASE pay when you sign up.

*Editor's 2¢ worth: If you haven't signed up for meeting class yet, contact Cindie*



**PROGRAM (Cont'd)**  
Chairman – Cindie Martincic

**July 17 – Mary Ann Yurus – Two Penguins**



Acrylic on slate

Price \$20

**PROGRAM (Cont'd)**  
Chairman – Cindie Martincic

**September 17-18 – Mandy Steele – Sunflowers in Copper Pitcher**



*Editor's 2¢ worth: This is a two-day oil class.*

*Price: \$50*

*More details in future Newsletters*

## **Service**

Chairman - William Habers

Just a reminder to everybody to bring the following to the next meeting:

Painted walker bags taken at a previous meeting.

A painted memory box taken in May or prior.

If anybody has a medium to large box you can donate for a memory box.

Don't forget the unlabeled jars for Rosemary.

My initial supply of bags have been passed out. But we have more. If you want to paint a bag(s), see me at the meeting. We now offer the veterans a walker bag or a tote bag. The difference is whether the handle is adjusted to connect to the front of the walker or not.

*Editor's 2¢ worth: WOW. I knew there were a lot of Veterans who needed walkers but sadly there were even more than I imagined. I am SOOOOOOOO proud of all of you who painted bags for these deserving people. We ordered 60 bags to start and I never imagined we would use them all by the end of the year. I was wrong. Not only did we use 58 by May but the last two were taken to be painted and hopefully returned in July for delivery. More Veterans needed bags so we had to order 36 more. Can't you just picture it, 60 Veterans each one standing there with their walker bags attached to their walkers. And now 36 more are waiting to receive theirs. You wonderful people not only painted them but brought them back the next meeting. We have never had such a wonderful quick response to a service project. I can give you a thousand heartfelt Thank You's, but that wouldn't be nearly enough. Thank You's for all you did.*

## **SPECIAL NEWS**

*Editor's 2¢ worth:*

### **OUR GTDP RETREAT IS BACK!!!!!!!!!!**

That's right, the retreat is back. We have changed locations but in the same month. Retreat will now be held at the Crestfield Camping and Conference Center. Mark your calendars for October 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. More details will be in future Newsletters.

## **TREASURER**

Rosemary Habers

**IMPORTANT:** ALL checks written for classes, dues, the Basket Luncheon or any Chapter activity **MUST** be written to GTDP not the Chairman of the activity or Teacher. Also, please keep all activities on separate checks. For example, if you want to pay for both a Chapter class and Basket Luncheon Tickets you need to write two separate checks. Each activity is deposited into separate accounts.

## **WAYS & MEANS**

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

Winners of the May Raffles were:

Baby Basket donated by Carol Neth  
Won by Virginia Simmons

Lamp donated by Jeanne Delbusso  
Won by Cindie Karen Schnor

Kleenex Box donated by Jeanne Delbusso  
Won by Laura Angelo

Plate donated by Jeanne Delbusso  
Won by Susan Jaap

Old time utensil donated by Jeanne Delbusso  
Won by Laura Angelo

Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Sharon Livingood

*Editor's 2¢ worth: If you have something for our Raffles, please bring them to Jeanne at the next meeting.*



## BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

**President** Leads the meeting and guarantees all Chairmen do their jobs, files National paperwork at the end of the year and handles any questions/problems Chairmen may have.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP** (Program Chair) arranges everything related to classes such as booking Teachers including GTDP teachers and National Teachers and their requirements, arranging dates for classes, fee for classes, supplies needed etc.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP** (Membership Chair) receives payment of dues, keeps a list of members and checks them in at meeting and produces the Membership Book.

**Recording Secretary** records the actions at each Chapter and Board Meetings, compiles a list of Motions adding all to all previous records.

**Treasurer** handles all moneys from 4 Bank accounts and 3 GTDP Accounts, submits a year-end report to National and files taxes at the end of the year.

**Publicity Chairman** finds newspapers or free flyer in the area that you know will publish GTDP's classes, Retreat or Basket Luncheon information.

**Newsletter Editor** publishes the Newsletter 6 times a year in the off months of the Meetings. They collect Information from each Chairman, publishes the minutes and any information of interest to members.

**Ways and Means Chairman** handles raffles every meeting soliciting items from the Membership for the table.

**Corresponding Secretary** sends cards to someone who is ill, in the hospital, lost a family member or thank you cards.

**Historian** keeps a record of actions at each meeting and any outside GTDP activities.

**Hospitality** handles the purchase of supplies needed for our pot luck luncheons such as utensils, plates, napkins, pop and table coverings; arranges catering for the January Meeting and Christmas Party and gives suggestions for what to bring the remaining Meetings.

**Points System Chairman** collects applications for Points submitted by Members, reviews and confirms the validity, copies Golden Dollars and submits them to members.

**Parliamentarian** makes sure we follow Roberts Rules of Order.

**Decorative Painting Month Chairman** finds places to display art work in October.

**Spring Basket Luncheon** Chairman makes all arrangements for our Luncheon, choosing a date, meals, centerpieces, favors, door prizes and main raffle.

**Service Chairman** finds nonprofit groups or deserving organization that needs help other than monetary where we can use our painting skills for useful items to the individuals.

**Nominating Chairman** makes phone calls or speaks directly to people requesting people run for office.

## BIRTHDAYS

### JANUARY

01 Gail Bodkin  
25 Ellen Belisle

### FEBRUARY

04 Karen Pagasky  
18 Mary Ann Dunbar  
25 Marjorie Morris

### MARCH

13 Mandy Steele  
16 Dominique Nashed  
17 Donetta Brunette  
19 Pat Stepko  
25 Laura Angelo  
27 Carol D'Abruzzo  
28 Gerry Dille

### APRIL

03 Sharon Henson  
11 Eileen Bogacz  
15 Carol Keller  
23 Dot Hoffman  
27 Debbie Miller

### MAY

08 MaryAnn Yurus  
31 Rosemarie Geer

### JUNE

08 Sandra Camarota  
25 Rosalie Piccola  
28 Linda Wyke

### JULY

01 Marjorie Orlandini  
10 Jennie Delbusso

### AUGUST

02 Debbie Shillingburg  
14 Linnea Ondick  
20 Val Vandenberghe  
26 Dolores Khalouf

### SEPTEMBER

05 Barb Leffler  
16 Rosemary Habers  
22 Cindie Martincic  
25 Sharon Livingood  
28 Rosann Wagner

### OCTOBER

12 Pat Diettrich  
26 Virg Simmons

### NOVEMBER





02 Debra Valentino  
09 Bill Habers  
16 Monica Schallenberger  
24 Ruby Dunlap  
30 Rhonda Gillespie

### DECEMBER

05 Amy Shelhamer  
07 Paulette Caldwell  
09 Pat Jenkins  
13 Susan Jaap  
23 Judy Shuba  
30 Carol Neth

## 2022 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212
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	E-V	2 <sup>nd</sup> VP/Membership:	<b>Rhonda Gillespie</b>	724-941-0188
	E-V	Recording Secretary:	<b>Laura Angelo</b>	724-785-5592
	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:		
	A-V	Historian:	<b>Delores Khalouf</b>	412-292-1254
	A-V	Hospitality:	<b>Susan Japp</b>	724-745-5873
	A-V	Points System:	<b>Karen Pagasky</b>	724-947-5290

	A-NV	Decorative Painting Month:	<b>Rhonda Gillespie</b>	724-941-0188
	A-NV	Nominating:		
	A-NV	Parliamentarian:	<b>Mandy Steele</b>	304-216-8683
	A-NV	Service:	<b>Bill Habers</b>	412-741-5158
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	<b>Karen Pagasky</b>	724-947-5290

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

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### **2022 Calendar of Events**

July 17	Mary Ann Yurus	Two Penguins
September 18	Mandy Steele	Sunflowers in Copper Pitcher
November 20	Make-It/Take-Its, Elections, Christmas Party	

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

**Unless stated otherwise painting classes start at 10:00a.m. Doors open one half hour before the class start time.**

**Visit the Chapters website at [GTDP.org](http://GTDP.org)**