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Thank you Carol for a cute, fun class

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't Carol Neth's little frog welcome sign the cutest thing. I'm sure it will make anyone who sees it feel very welcome.

This year's Retreat is "50's Rock Around the Clock" so get out your poodle skirt and saddle shoes and get ready to rock around the clock.

Because many members taking classes have to leave after the meeting we are going to experiment having lunch and the meeting at the same time. As soon as everyone has their lunch we will start the meeting. After the meeting painting will continue. This should give students time to finish their project and leave the hall an hour earlier.

I would love it if all of you would start saving your empty jars again this year for a service project to Animal Friends. The staff and recipients loved our artwork and appreciated the treats. Rescue animals are near and dear to my heart and all of my girls have been rescues so I can tell you without a doubt these rescues know what you have done for them and you will NEVER find that kind of loyalty anywhere.

I'm still hoping that we can locate the GTDP banner that has been misplaced. If anyone has any idea where it ended up please let any Board Member know.

Due to the cost of printing we will again only be sending the Newsletter out by e-mail in 2017. If you wish to have a hard copy please send me a check for \$16 for the remaining 4 issues in color or \$12 for the remaining black and white copies. Checks need to be made out to GTDP.

Rosemary Habers
2017 Newsletter Editor
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

First let me thank Laura and the Board for filling in for me at the March meeting. I regret not being present 2 meeting in a row but I was entirely too sick to even think about getting up. I very much appreciate the card and gift. As I have said in the past – you are a terrific group of folks.

I am excited about our annual Basket Luncheon coming up April 30 at the Fairview Sunset Room. Many thanks to each and everyone who has agreed to work at the event, bought and sold tickets, painted center pieces, favors, donated grand door prizes, donated other door prizes, donated baskets and support this Luncheon in small way. It never ceases to amaze me the members that you can count on to step up to the plate when they are needed. The success of the Basket Luncheon is a direct result of those members who have generously given of their time and talent. Thank you, Thank you.

I recently was a guest speaker to a group who is struggling with member participation. My analogy to them was – Imagine a boat going to an important destination. Someone has to get the boat, fuel and into the water (Your Board). Someone has to have a map and steer the boat (The President) but the boat will go **nowhere** if there is no one to row the boat (The Membership)! Every paddle is important but only if it gets in the boat and rows. As members of GTDP *do you* row even a little bit or do you sit on the dock and watch others row? There are many ways to support your organization. Paint a donation for Ways and Means, paint for the Service Project, help in the kitchen, sign up for committees, attend a class.

Rumor has it that 2017 will be the last Retreat at Antiochian. I am very excited to say that we are in negotiations with Antiochian that will allow us to have a Retreat in 2018. More on this as we come to some agreement. BUT again its success will again depend on your support of our 2017 Retreat. There will be many opportunities to share your talents. Don't be afraid to step up.

At our recent Board meeting we discussed having more national teachers next year. We have the money to make these classes affordable which is what the Chapter was designed to do in the first place. Feel free to make suggestions of teachers you would like to have. Take advantage of the new incentive program that we instituted that will give you additional opportunities to earn dollars toward classes.

I leave you with:

The Lord has given us two ends; they have a common link;

For with the bottom end we sit, and with the other think.

Success in life depends upon which end you choose to use,

You'll discover this, my friend, Heads you win and tails you lose!

Mandy Steele
2017 President

Basket Luncheon

Editor's 2¢ worth: Remember April 30th is our Basket Luncheon. If you haven't as yet decided to do a basket, there is still time. Let MaryAnn Yurus know if you can do one. We still need door prizes. If you can donate one that meets your standards for receiving one, bring it to the luncheon or if you are not coming give it to a friend who is. Additionally, if you have not paid for your ticket or could not sell all the ones you took, Let Debbie Carosone know.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – Danny Porterfield

No Report.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Danny Porterfield volunteered to take over the job of Corresponding Secretary. While it will be a big job filling Nancy Reeser's shoes I can't think of a better person to do it. Thank you Danny for volunteering for this position.

DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman – Cindy Martincic

Editor's 2¢ worth: For May please bring side dishes.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: Remember that to be a member in good standing you need to be a member of National. Proof of membership must be shown. This year National has delivered our Membership cards via e-mail in February. Please print it off and bring it to the May meeting. Also, Membership Books were passed out at the March Meeting. If you were not at the Meeting you can pick yours up at the May Meeting

POINTS

Chairman – Rosann Wagner

Hope all of you are keeping track of your points. Don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

RECORDING SECRETARY
Golden Triangle Decorative Painters
March 19, 2017 IOOF Hall, Finleyville

Laura Angelo stepped in for Mandy Steele to run the meeting.

Membership-Rhonda Gillespie

There were 24 members in attendance today. No guests were present.

Program-Laura Angelo

Laura thanked Carol Neth for teaching the Frog project today. Laura announced Lynn Banting will be teaching in July. She will be teaching 3 projects, 2 oils and 1 watercolor.

Treasurer-Rosemary Habers

Rosemary gave the Treasurers report. She explained a new way to earn monies for classes. There are 5 ways to earn monies.

Member Reward Certificate

The below member is entitled to a \$10 credit for each of the following activities with verifying signature. **Only one (1) \$10 credit can be earned per activity.**

ACTIVITY	CHAIRMAN SIGNATURE
Attending the 2016 Christmas party_____	
Painted a 2017 Service project_____	
Donate at least a \$15.00 door prize for Basket luncheon_____	
Donates at least a \$15.00 item to the Ways and Means table____	
Attend or sells tickets for the Basket Luncheon_____	

Due to passing of our Nancy Reeser, Danny accepted the position of Corresponding Secretary. Danny will be sending cards to Mandy Steele and Gail Bodkin.

Ways n Means-Jeannie Delbusso

Jeannie thanked everyone that donated items and/or bought tickets for ways n means. We made \$66.00 today.

Service-Pat Jinkens

Pat collected 35 walker bags to be donated to the veterans. She thanked ever one that painted service projects.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:33

Respectfully,
Recording Secretary,
Debbie Carosone

SERVICE

Chairman - Pat Jinkens

Editor's 2¢ worth: If anyone took a walker bag home to paint, please bring it to the May meeting. Also, please save your jars and bring them painted or unpainted to Chapter meetings and give them to Rosemary. We would like to continue the Animal Friends project. Thank you.

WAYS & MEANS

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

We had six lucky winners at the November Meeting:

Spring Rabbit donated by Laura Angelo

Won by Karen Pagasky

Rack and box donated by Erma Reutzel

won by Karen Pagasky

Bowl with Lettuce donated by Rosemary Habers and

Saris pretzels donated by Debbie Carosone

won by Debbie Miller

Flower box donated by Karen Pagasky and

Hand warmer donated by Rosemarie Geere

won by Rosemarie Geer

Girl rabbit donated by Linda Wyke and

Hand warmer donated by Rosemarie Geere

won by Judy Shuba

Our 50/50 winner was Laura Angelo

RETREAT

Cindie Martincic

Editor's 2¢ worth: 2017 Retreat will be October 12th - 15th. Teacher letters have been sent but you still have time to submit by April 30th. If you did not receive a teacher letter and would like to submit contact Rosann Wagner for a contract.

TREASURER

Rosemary Habers

Announced at the last meeting and newsletter we have a new Reward Program where you can earn up to \$50 toward **class fees**. "Applications" were given at the March Meeting and I will have more at the May Meeting along with the Reward Certificate for those of you who have completed the requirements.

Golden Dollars and the reward certificate can be used towards class fees. Just remember that the Golden Dollars and reward certificates expire December 31st of the year issued so they will expired December 31, 2017. The only exception are with the Golden Dollars received as Door Prizes. While they also expire one year after issuance it is one year after they are received. For example if you received the door prize at this May's Meeting they expire in May 2018.

IMPORTANT: Make sure that ALL checks written for classes, dues, the Basket Luncheon, Retreat, any Chapter activity **MUST** be written to GTDP not the Chairman of the activity.

Program

Chairman – Laura Angelo

May 21, 2017 – Rosann Wagner



Watercolor Flowers
Price \$15

Program (Cont'd)

July 14, 15, 16 2017 – Lynne Banting Seminar



Friday July 14, 2017
Oil Class
8" x 10" wood
\$35 GTDP Member
\$40 for Non-Member

Program (Cont'd)



Saturday July 15, 2017
Oil Class with a Watercolor Technique
8 x 10 oval mat
\$35 GTDP Member
\$40 for Non-Member

Program (Cont'd)



Sunday July 16, 2017
Watercolor Class
11" x 14"
\$35 GTDP Member
\$40 for Non-Member

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




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

Mail To: Rosann Wagner
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 Canonsburg, PA 15317
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**POINTS SYSTEM FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY
 DECEMBER 31, 2017**

2017 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	Mandy Steele	304-216-8683
	E-V	1 st VP/Program:	Laura Angelo	724-785-5592
	E-V	2 nd VP/Membership:	Rhonda Gillespie	724-941-0188
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	E-V	Treasurer:	Rosemary Habers	412-741-5158
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	A-NV	Decorative Painting Month:		

	A-NV	Nominating:		
	A-NV	Parliamentarian:	Rosann Wagner	724-745-4212
	A-NV	Service:	Pat Jenkins	724-225-6399
	A-NV	Retreat Chairman:	Cindi Martincic	724-222-7449
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	Board	

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

Calendar of Events

January 15	Service Project Painting
March 19	Carol Neth
May 21	Rosann Wagner
July 14-16	Lynn Banting
September 17	Dan Porterfield
October 12 – 15	Retreat
November 19	Make It/Take It

**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 10:00 A.M. and the doors open at 9:30.

Visit the Chapters website at GTDP.org