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Welcome back GTDP

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't it great to see everyone again. I know I missed all of you and many of you also commented on how they missed our meetings. The May Meeting was fun and we have the rest of the year planned with even more fun. We're all getting into the routine again so hopefully things will begin to feel normal again.

I don't know about you but I'm looking forward to the Sherry Nelson Seminar. Sherry has been to our Chapter several times in the past and not only did we all enjoy her class we learned something new each class. Thanks to the pandemic restrictions being lessened we can have more students in these classes so there are still some openings in all three classes but you need to register as soon as possible.

I am so grateful to all of you who have been donating glass jars for my Animal Friends donation. This is a wonderful organization who take very good care of the animals they rescue and I love that these jars can show those people adopting those previously poor neglected dogs just how special they are. As they say, "Don't shop, Adopt".

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers  
2021 Newsletter Editor  
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## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Hello Painting friends-- It was great seeing so many of you at the April meeting, everyone looking well and healthy. Thank you Rosemary for coming up with a beautiful MITI on such short notice, everyone's tile looked beautiful. I loved seeing the enthusiasm in everybody's face-- so eager to paint. I hope this is the beginning of the end of our isolations. I hope to see all of you at the July meeting. MaryAnn Yurus has a beautiful project scheduled and, Sherry Nelson is coming in September-- keep reading your newsletter for more details on these classes. The cost of these classes is unbelievable-- you could never take these classes anywhere else for these prices. It's time to celebrate summer and begin our painting adventures again,

Rosann.

## **BASKET LUNCHEON**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

*Editor's 2¢ worth: If you were given a birdhouse or favor to paint, please bring the completed items to the July meeting and give them to Karen. The Board is discussing when would be a good time to hold our nest Luncheon.*

*Also if you have anything you would like to donate for door prizes please bring them to the next meeting.*

## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Chairman – Pat Jinkens

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

## **DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Susan Jaap

*Editor's 2¢ worth: July Meeting is Picnic Time. GTDP will be furnishing the hot dogs and fixings. Bring your favorite side dish. Desserts and breakfast items are ALWAYS welcome.*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Membership Books were available at the May Meeting. These books were printed and ready to be distributed at the March 2020 Meeting. However since the pandemic hit the May 2021 Meeting was the first time I had the opportunity to distribute them so the books are titled "2020 Membership Book". Without any meetings we didn't have any new members so there was no need to print new books. If you did not attend the May meeting you can pick up yours from me at the July Meeting. If you find there is a correction to be made, please contact Rosemary Habers with the correction either by e-mail, ([habersr1@aol.com](mailto:habersr1@aol.com)) or phone (412-741-5158)*

*Thank you.*

*Editor's 2¢ worth*

## POINTS

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

*Editor's 2¢ worth: All Golden Dollars earned in 2019 are valid and can be used for upcoming classes up to December 31, 2021. The Board has decided to discontinue the Points Program so after December 31, 2020 no more Golden Dollars will be issued.*

## WAYS & MEANS

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

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

## SERVICE

Chairman – Carol D'Abruzzo

*Editor's 2¢ Anyone who took a box home to paint please return it to Carol at the July Meeting.*

*I also want to thank all of you who have been saving jars for me. I absolutely love you all. This year you wonderful people have already given me 60 jars and it was only our first Meeting of the year. I can't wait to see what I get the remaining 3 meetings Knowing my love for rescues you can probably*

*guess I'm hoping to get 200. You all are the most caring, giving individuals. Thank you*



## TREASURER

Rosemary Habers

**IMPORTANT:** ALL checks written for classes, dues, the Basket Luncheon, 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.

Also, the Reward Certificates were discontinued at the end of 2019. However, If you used your Points for a class canceled in 2020 they will be honored for this year's classes. Those of you who used them for my Easter class I returned the Golden Dollars and checks at the last meeting. Anyone who did not pick up theirs see me at the July meeting if you do not pick them up at the July meeting they will be destroyed. The Rebate for joining SDP will be continued. Remember, these rewards can ONLY be used toward class payments

## **RECORDING SECRETARY**

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo

### Golden Triangle Decorative Painters Chapter Meeting May 16, 2021

**Rosann Wagner, President,** called the meeting to order at 1:00.

Rosann welcomed the members that came back to our bi-monthly meeting after 14 months of the Pandemic. She also updated the group about a couple of our members that are going through some hard times right now. Debbie Miller is in the hospital awaiting a heart bypass operation and Mandy Steele's husband, Richard, has some serious heart problems. She asked that we all keep them in our prayers and that we would be sending them a get-well card.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> VP- Cindi Martincic- Programs**

**Rosemary Habers** had a very nice project for the members to paint. A red rose with paint brushes was painted on a ceramic tile. Thank you to Rosemary for donating everything for the class.

July meeting- A Christmas in July acrylic painting will be taught by **Mary Ann Yurus**. "Candy Canes and Ivy" will be painted on a black banner, which will be provided by Mary Ann for the class. Class is \$10. Doors open at 9:30 and class starts at 10:00 am.

**Sherry Nelson Seminar-** September 16-19, 2021

Cindi had sign-up sheets at the meeting for the three classes:

Thursday- **Japanese Iris and Jug** \$50 for class, 6x14 masonite panel

2 day class Friday and Saturday- **Swallowtail and Lily** \$100 (\$50 per day) for class, 16x16 masonite panel

Sunday- **Bald Eagle**, \$50 for class, 11x 14 masonite panel

Cindi will be supplying the masonite panels for the classes that have the odd sizes at a cost of \$5 per panel. She did suggest that Hobby Lobby had the masonite panel in the 11x 14 size. All questions should be directed to Cindi immediately for signups and info about panel prep for class.

**Class fees have to be paid to Cindi by June 1<sup>st</sup>**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP-Rhonda Gillespie (absent)**

2020 membership books were handed out to members and members were asked to show their 2021 National Society cards.

#### **Treasurer-Rosemary Habers**

Rosemary read the Treasury report to the members

Monies paid for classes last year that were cancelled can be reimbursed and redirected to be used as payments for upcoming classes

#### **Newsletter- Rosemary Habers**

All reports due to Rosemary by June 4, 2021

**Corresponding Secretary-Pat Jinkens**

Cards will be sent to Mandy Steele and husband, Richard, and Debbie Miller

**Hospitality-Susan Jaap**

July meeting will be our picnic day! Hotdogs and buns will be provided by the chapter and members are asked to bring side dishes and desserts for lunch!

**Ways and Means-Jeanne Delbusso (absent)**

**Service- Carol D'Abruzzo (absent)**

Memory boxes returned to the chapter. Laura Angelo took them home for Carol.

**Points-Karen Pagasky**

Points were eliminated at the last meeting in January 2020 but if points were used for classes that were cancelled during 2020 they can still be used for future classes.

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

Some favors and centerpieces were returned at the meeting. The chapter is looking for dates in April 2022 to have the Basket Luncheon.

**Old Business**

Monies left after the Cheri Rol seminar will be used to offset expenses to bring Sherry Nelson in for the September seminar. This money was left to us by Ellen Hildebrand, a painting member who passed away.

Cindi Martincic made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 and Karen Pagasky seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted

Laura Angelo

2021 Recording Secretary



*Editor's 2¢ worth: We're back and painting again*





## PROGRAM

Chairman – Cindie Martincic

**July 18, 2021 – Mary Ann Yurus**



Candy Canes and Holly.

Price: \$10.00

## PROGRAM (Cont'd)

### September 16-19, 2021

As had been previously announced Sherry Nelson is coming in September. If you remember, Ellen Hildenbrand left us money in her Will to pay for classes. We used a majority of the money for the Cheri Rol class in 2019. The leftover money is going to supplement this Sherry Nelson seminar.

Due to the pandemic uncertainties, please bring a mask with you just in case some people are still uncomfortable being somewhere they are not worn. Originally we planned to only accommodate 23 students per class to guarantee 6-foot distance between students. With the pandemic mandates relaxed we can now offer this class to more. These classes are only for members who had their dues paid for 2019. If you still have Golden Dollars they **CANNOT BE USED FOR THIS CLASS**. You will be given an opportunity to use them later. You **MUST** have your monies paid by August 1 to be considered registered. We expect these classes to fill quickly so contact Cindie as soon as possible. Cindie will also be cutting Masonite panels for the Thursday, Friday/Saturday classes. Contact her if you need one.

Cost of classes is \$50 per day. Please note that the butterfly is a two-day class so \$100 will be due. You must provide your own surfaces. Sizes are listed under the photographs.

Contact Cindie Martincic, by phone or e-mail to register.

## PROGRAM (Cont'd)



**Thursday** - Japanese Iris and Jug, 6" x 14", 1 day class, Oils

## PROGRAM (Cont'd)



**Friday - Saturday** - Swallowtail and Lily 16" x 16" panel or table top or panel to be laid on table top for ease of painting. **2-day** class, Oils.



## PROGRAM (Cont'd)



**Sunday** - Bald Eagle in the Snow, 11" x 14". One day class, Oils.

## 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  
07 Gwen Bonomo  
18 Mary Ann Dunbar  
25 Marjorie Morris

### MARCH

07 Carol D'Abruzzo  
13 Mandy Steele  
16 Dominique Nashed  
17 Donetta Brunette  
19 Pat Stepko  
25 Laura Angelo

### APRIL

03 Sharon Henson  
11 Eileen Bogacz  
23 Dot Hoffman  
27 Debbie Miller  
28 Gerry Dille

### 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  
Miranda Scanlon

### SEPTEMBER

05 Barb Leffler  
16 Rosemary Habers  
22 Cindie Martincic  
23 Ciara Wagner  
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  
28 Joan Schneider  
30 Rhonda Gillespie





### DECEMBER

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



## 2021 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:	<b>Pat Jinkens</b>	724-225-6399
	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>Carol D'Abruzzo</b>	412-881-1208
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	<b>Karen Pagasky</b>	724-947-5290

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

### **2021 Calendar of Events**

July 18	Mary Ann Yurus - Candy Canes (class begins at 9:00)
September 16	Sherry Nelson - Iris (class begins at 9:00)
September 17-18	Butterfly (class begins at 9:00)
September 19	Eagle (class begins at 9:00)
November 21	Make-It/Take-Its
	Christmas Party
	Elections

**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)**