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Wasn't it great having our Retreat Back!

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Our first Retreat since the Pandemic is over, I hope all of you had a wonderful time. Next years has been booked and the date will be announced at the November Meeting. Retreats take a lot of work but as they say many hands make the load easier. Any suggestions for a theme or decorations, teachers who want to teach, anything related to the Retreat will be considered so put your thinking caps on and let us know at the November meeting all your suggestions.

Speaking of the November Meeting, remember it's our annual Christmas party. There won't be make-it/take-its this year we'll be playing Bingo instead. Elections will also happen

Our annual Basket Luncheon will be held April 21, 2024 again at the Sunset Room at Fairview so start thinking of a theme for your basket. Start gathering item you can donate for door prizes too. Further information on The Basket Luncheon will be announced at the September Meeting.

Thank you.

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## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Hi Everyone

I hope this finds everyone well and rested up after returning from retreat. From everyone that I spoke to, you all had a good time. I'm sorry I had to miss most of it. Everyone one of our members pitched in and helped in any way they could so that it all went smoothly. Thank you, Laura, for taking care of registration and having the dining and classes all arranged so everyone knew where to go and what to do. Jeannie did a fantastic job on the name tags as always. Rhonda took care of monitoring the classes and making sure our teachers had what they needed. Rosemary took care of our finances and Bill was the onsite handyman when things needed attending to. A great big thank you goes out to Rosann for keeping all these ducks in a row. She works tirelessly for our group. I want to thank everyone who taught classes, donated to our raffle and just went above and beyond to make this a success. So many jumped in and helped when needed. I have always said we have the best bunch of girls and guy. I have already scheduled the retreat for next year, same time of the year and the same place.

With that said, now on to the Christmas party. Instead of make it take its this year we are going to have a Christmas Bingo. That has always been a fun thing to do. We will have small prizes and a chance to just be together and have a good time, and of course our Banquet. I'm hoping everyone can get there. See you soon.

Cindie

## **BASKET LUNCHEON**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

*Editor's 2¢ worth: The basket luncheon will again be held at the Sunset Room at Fairview on April 21, 2024.*

## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Chairman – William Habers

A thinking of you card was sent to Judy Shuba and Sandra Camarota. If there is anybody you think needs a card for any reason, feel free to let me know and I will get one out.

## **DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Susan Jaap

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Our November Meeting is our Christmas Party. The Party will once again be a catered event. If you want to bring in treats for munching with our morning coffee, feel free to do so.*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Dues are paid at the November Meeting. Dues are still \$25.*

## **PROGRAM**

Chairman – Laura Angelo

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Program does not have a class scheduled.*

## **RECORDING SECRETARY**

Recording Secretary – Rosann Wagner  
September 17, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 12:20 p.m. by President Cindie Martincic. Monica Schallenberger made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting and Linda Wyke second. Motion carried.

1st Vice President Laura Angelo discussed the Christmas Party. The theme will be Christmas Bingo and the doors will open at 11 a.m.

2nd Vice President Rhonda Gillespie was absent. Rosann Wagner said that 20 members were present.

Treasurer Rosemary Habers gave the treasurer's report and it will be put on file pending the audit.

Recording Secretary— Rosann Wagner—no report.

Ways and Means— Jeannie Delbusso absent –no report.

Publicity— Mary Ann Yurus discussed submitting meeting notices to various newspapers.

Newsletter—Rosemary Habers set the last date to submit for the newsletter is October 13.

Corresponding Secretary— Bill Habers sent cards Carol Neth and Grace Fatchets family. He was asked to send a card to Judy Shuba..

Historian—Dolores Khalouf will purchase a Digital Picture Frame for our photo library and will be reimbursed any cost over and about her budget. A motion was made by Virg Simmons and seconded by Linda Wyke for this purchase.

Service —Bill Habers mentioned he had several items left to be painted for the Service Projects.

Basket Luncheon—Dolores Khalouf has agreed to chair the luncheon. The date is April 21, 2024 at the Sunset Room of the Fairview Fire Hall.

A slate of officers was presented by President Cindie Martincic, they are as follows,

President —Laura Angelo

1st Vice President—Program—Rosann Wagner

2nd Vice President—Membership—Rhonda Gillespie

Treasurer—Rosemary Habers

Recording Secretary—Cindie Martincic

Ways and Means—Jeannie Delbusso

Publicity—Mary Ann Yurus

Newsletter Editor—Rosemary Habers

Corresponding Secretary—Bill Habers

All other offices are appointed by the President.

Old Business—President Cindie Martincic expressed concern about our lack of new members. There was a lot of discussion on this subject and the board asked the members to think about ways increase the membership.

New Business—Monica Schallenberger asked about bringing in several National Teachers. This will be looked in, hoping that this might increase interest in the organization.  
Pat Diettrich mentioned she still has slate for sale.

A motion was made to adjourn by Rosann Wagner and second by Pat Diettrich.  
Meeting Adjourned .

## RETREAT

Just a reminder Town and Country's Retreat will be April 26<sup>th</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. We are now able to satisfy our painting needs for Retreats every 6 months. Thought that worked out well.

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## SERVICE

### Chairman – William Habers

Some painted backpacks came back at the September meeting for our service project. I have additional backpacks available to be taken to be painted. We are open to any ideas what you think we should put in the bags and anything you want to donate to go in. If anybody knows where we can take the bags, please tell me. Just a reminder to everybody to bring the following to the next meeting:

Painted backpacks taken home at the previous meeting.

Walker/tote bags taken home at the previous meetings. We have more available

A memory box taken home at prior meetings. If anybody has a medium to large box, you can donate them to be a memory box.

Don't forget the glass jars for Rosemary. Labeled and unlabeled are acceptable. Also, any clean glass jar is acceptable for us. If we cannot use any, bring it and we will recycle it for you.

## 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

*Editor's 2¢ worth: There was not Raffles at the September Meeting.*

# BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

**President** Leads the meeting and guarantees all Chairmen do their jobs, has paperwork audited 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.

**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  
17 Rosemarie Lang  
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

## 2023 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	<b>Cindie Martincic</b>	724-222-7449
	E-V	1 <sup>st</sup> VP/Program:	<b>Laura Angelo</b>	724-785-5592
	E-V	2 <sup>nd</sup> VP/Membership:	<b>Rhonda Gillespie</b>	724-941-0188
	E-V	Recording Secretary:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212
	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>Bill Habers</b>	412-741-5158
	A-V	Historian:	<b>Delores Khalouf</b>	412-292-1254
	A-V	Hospitality:	<b>Susan Japp</b>	724-745-5873

	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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### **2023 Calendar of Events**

November 19      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)**