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Thanks MaryAnn, great class

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

What a fun class MaryAnn gave us in July. Those penguins were just great.

Our picnic lunch was a success as always. We have some really good cooks in our Chapter. Keep those desserts especially coming.

I'm looking forward to Mandy's class in September. I have taken many classes from her and I have NEVER been disappointed. If you want a successful, informative and fun class make sure you sign up. Remember, this class starts at 9:00 and must be paid in advance.

A slate of officers will be presented at the September meeting. If you're interested in running for an office let any Board member know before the meeting.

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers 2022 Newsletter Editor habersr1@aol.com

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello Painting friends -

Can you believe we are in the middle of August already, summer sure is flying by? I want to say thank you to Mary Ann Yurus for a great class in July. As I said in my last President's message we are very blessed to have these wonderful teachers, who so eagerly give of their talent in our chapter. I am looking forward to Mandy's class in September. I enjoy oil painting but I'm not proficient at it. It's so nice to have these great teachers help us learn

I am still waiting for the contract from the Crestfield Conference Center. At this time I don't have any particulars about costs. If I don't hear from them the first week in September I will call them. I want to be able to give you some information at the meeting. The board is meeting October 3, 2022 to get committees together and get the retreat off the ground. I hope you are as excited about renewing our retreat as I am. It's a great place to take classes from different teachers.

At the July meeting I gave you the wrong dates for the Town and Country Retreat. Their retreat, "Under the Sea" will be held Friday April 28 through Sunday April 30, 2023. The retreat is held at the Crestfield Conference Center. I am sure they will have some beautiful classes. Once the classes are chosen at the end of October the classes will be posted on their web site.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, hope to see you in September.

Happy Painting. Rosann.

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

This year's Basket Luncheon will again be held at the Sunset Room at Fairview on April 16th, 2023. Our theme is Christmas In April.

Centerpieces and favors have been ordered and will be distributed at future meetings.

It's not too early to be thinking of donating a basket for our raffles. Also, while you're doing your spring cleaning if you come across something nice that you no longer need or want please consider it for a door prize.

Ticket prices will be discussed by the Board and a price set.

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: September's Sunday Meeting we will be having Pizza. The project we will be painting is a two day event so Saturday please bring a covered dish like you do at a normal Sunday meeting.

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 September 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 or see me at the July meeting with the changes.

Sharon Livingood has a new phone number 412-398-8419. Please update your membership book.

POINTS

Chairman -

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

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 teaches 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 sigh 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

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



This is a two-day oil class.

Price: \$50

Brushes: Need #6 sable or good brand of oil brush and a 1/2" bristle, mop brush. Palette keeper for paint is nice and not necessary. If not,a big sealable plastic bag is suggested. Small container of Baby Oil. **NO TURP** in class. Size is 12 X 16 stretched canvas with line drawing.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Remember this is a two day class, Saturday and Sunday and it starts at 9:00 not the usual 10:00. Doors open at 8:30. See you there.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo

July 17, 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 Cindie Martincic.

1st VP - Programs- Cindi Martincic

Cindie thanked MaryAnn for teaching the fun penguin project

September 17 - 18- Mandy Steele- oil "Copper vase w/ Sunflowers", It will be a 2-day class (Saturday and Sunday) for \$50

November 20 will be our Make-it/take it Meeting.

2nd VP - Membership Rhonda Gillespie

We had 18 people in attendance. Rhonda also asked if anyone had boxes painted for the NICU please bring them to the next meeting

Corresponding Secretary - Carol D'Abruzzo (absent)

Treasurer - Rosemary Habers

Rosemary read the treasurer report to members

Newsletter- Rosemary Habers

August 5th is the deadline for submissions to the newsletter

Hospitality - Susan Jaap

The September meeting will have a 2-day class. Please bring the usual covered dish lunch on Saturday Our Sunday meeting we will be having Pizza.

Desserts are ALWAYS welcome.

Ways and Means- Jeanne Delbusso

Drawings were held and the winners were Carol Keller, Rhonda, and Rosann. The 50/50 drawing was won by MaryAnn.

Service - Bill Habers

Bill had more walker totes to be painted and all pre-painted bags were distributed to veteran organizations. He also received 5 painted boxes and had more unpainted memory boxes to be taken and painted.

Historian - Delores Khalouf

Debbie Miller brought in a photo album from our National Convention.

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

This year's Basket Luncheon will again be held at the Sunset Room at Fairview on April 16th, 2023. Our theme is Christmas In July.

Retreat

Our Retreat is back. It will be October 5 - 8, 2023 at the Crestfield Camp and Conference Center outside of Slippery Rock PA. This is the same location that Town and Country hold theirs. Rosann and Cindie visited and found the place great for us. Easy access to all buildings and handicapped accessible.

Town and Country's next Retreat is April 30 - May 3, 2023

New Business

We need to submit a slate of officers at the September Meeting. Rosann asked for volunteers for Nominating Chairman but got no response

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 by Cindie Martincic and seconded by Rhonda Gillespie.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Rosemary Habers for Laura Angelo, 2022 Recording Secretary

SERVICE Service Chairman - William Habers – 2022

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

Painted walker bags taken at the previous meeting. We have more blank ones. A painted memory box taken in July or prior. We have some of these too. If anybody has a medium to large box you can donate for a memory box.

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

Editor's 2¢ worth: WOW. You people are amazing!!! Not only did you paint the first 60 walker bags we ordered for our Veterans, you already painted 12 of this next group of 36. We had 24 blank bags at the July meeting and many of them were taken to be painted and returned for a deserving Vet. You should be SOOOOOOOO proud of yourselves. At least 72 bags have been painted and distributed to these deserving people. We have never had such a wonderful quick response to a service project. I can give you a thousand Thank You's but that wouldn't be nearly enough .

SPECIAL NEWS

Editor's 2¢ worth: Town and Country's next Retreat, Under The Sea, is April 28 - 30, 2023. Some of our teachers will be there. Anyone who would like an application to teach, contact Dot Hoffman at tolebrush@aol.com.

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 5th through 8th, 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 July Raffles were:

Basket with painting supplies donated by Bill & Rosemary Habers Won by Carol Keller

Gourds donated by Jeanne Delbusso Won by Carol Keller

Painted Box donated by Karen Pagasky Won by Rhonda Gillespie

Angel, slate and books donated by Jeanne Delbusso Won by Carol Keller

Basket with painting supplies donated by Bill & Rosemary Habers Won by Rosann Wagner

Winner of the 50/50 raffle MaryAnn Yurus

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.

1st **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.

2nd 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 (not current) 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	FEBRUARY	MARCH
01 Gail Bodkin 25 Ellen Belisle	04 Karen Pagasky 18 Mary Ann Dunbar 25 Marjorie Morris	13 Mandy Steele 16 Dominique Nashed 17 Donetta Brunette 19 Pat Stepko 25 Laura Angelo 27 Carol D'Abruzzo 28 Gerry Dille
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
03 Sharon Henson 11 Eileen Bogacz 15 Carol Keller 23 Dot Hoffman 27 Debbie Miller	08 MaryAnn Yurus 31 Rosemarie Geer	08 Sandra Camarota 25 Rosalie Piccola 28 Linda Wyke
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
01 Marjorie Orlandini 10 Jennie Delbusso	02 Debbie Shillingburg 14 Linnea Ondick 20 Val Vandenberghe 26 Dolores Khalouf	05 Barb Leffler 16 Rosemary Habers 22 Cindie Martincic 25 Sharon Livingood 28 Rosann Wagner
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
12 Pat Diettrich 26 Virg Simmons	02 Debra Valentino09 Bill Habers16 Monica Schallenberger24 Ruby Dunlap30 Rhonda Gillespie	05 Amy Shelhamer 07 Paulette Caldwell 09 Pat Jenkins 13 Susan Jaap 23 Judy Shuba 30 Carol Neth

2022 BOARD MEMBERS

E-V			724-745-4212
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E-V	Treasurer:	Rosemary Habers	412-741-5158
E-V	Ways and Means:	Jeanne Delbusso	724-941-2415
E-V	Publicity:	Mary Ann Yurus	724-745-8337
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E-V	Corresponding Secretary:		
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A-V	Hospitality:	Susan Japp	724-745-5873
A-V	Points System:	Karen Pagasky	724-947-5290

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

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

2022 Calendar of Events

September 18 Mandy Steele Sunflowers in Copper Pitcher

Class start time is at 9:00

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