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Great Class Laura, thank you

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't that a wonderful Basket Luncheon. Everyone I talked to said they had a wonderful time and couldn't wait for next year. We need to thank Karen, Linda and Sharon for planning and arranging the details, MaryAnn for coordinating the Baskets, Rosann and Rhonda for selling tickets for the baskets and Laura for doing the tickets and arranging the seating. Also, thank all of you who painted centerpieces and favors, donated raffle prizes and door prizes. Without all of you our Luncheon would not be the success it is.

We have some wonderful projects scheduled for the rest of the year with our own teachers. May is an oil painting with Monica. It's been a while since we had one our own teach an oil project so if you ever thought of doing oils, now is the time.

Thank you.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hi Everyone,

I hope everyone is in a Springy kind of mood. We are moving along with our 2023 agenda. I want to thank Laura for helping us get in the swing of things with her beautiful butterfly. That was a great and fun project to get us started. We are looking forward to the May meeting and having Monica teach her wonderful bird done in oils. She paints awesome bird settings and I for one am looking forward to this. She has traveled far and wide to view birds in their natural habitat. How awesome is that.

Our Basket Luncheon is on the doorstep, and we are hoping for a great turnout, as always. Everyone has put their hearts and souls into making it a grand affair. This is one of the highlights of our year. We are also looking forward to our Retreat returning later in the fall. We are all working to put together a fun time for everyone. We are getting teachers lined up and schedules worked out. And we will keep you informed as we go along.

I want to thank everyone for their participation and suggestions to help keep our organization vibrant. Remember without you there would be no GTDP.

God Bless
Cindie

Happy Birthday Pat Stepko



Fun time with Laura's project



BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

The basket luncheon was again held at the Sunset Room at Fairview on April, 16, 2023.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Our Basket Luncheon was a very nice success. A date for next year will be announce in future Newsletters. It would be great if we doubled the number of baskets next year. It's not too soon to think of what kind of basket you want to create and donate, not to mention door prizes. We didn't have enough this year to give everyone a door prize like we did in 2022. Also, if during your Spring cleaning you have a large piece that is unfinished or painted by you, think about donating it for our Main Raffle. Thanks.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – William Habers

A get well/thinking of you card was sent to Carol D'Abruzzo and Linnea Ondick. If anybody you feel needs a card for any reason, feel free to get word to me and I will send something out. The cost of stamps is now up to 63 cents, but I have a lot of forever stamps so I can keep mailing. Also, if anyone knows how to contact Gerri Dille's family, I feel we need to acknowledge her death to them.

DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman – Susan Jaap

Editor's 2¢ worth: May is Chinese Food. Can't wait to see what we all come up with.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: Dues started to be accepted at the last November Meeting for the 2023 year. If you didn't pay yours, please see Rhonda at the May Meeting. Dues are still \$25.

Also, If you didn't get your Membership Book at the March Meeting I'll have them at the May Meeting

CORRECTION: Someone noticed that under the Board responsibilities I had Judy Shuba listed as Hospitality Chair. OOPS. I created those lists back in 2018 and thought I had deleted any names. Well, as I said OOPS.

PROGRAM

Chairman – Laura Angelo

At the May meeting Monica Schallenberger will be an oil bird project. For any ideas or suggestions for future classes or questions about classes give me a call at 724-785-5592 or email me at langelo5@icloud.com

Editor's 2¢ worth: Our problem with sign-ups and people signing up but not paying at the time or the day of the class has continued. Again, in the last classes some people signed up, did not paid and did not show up for the class. Unfortunately, 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. 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 follow through and implement the new sign up policy announced originally in the August 2022 newsletter. If you have not paid at the time of your sign-up you will have to have your money sent to Laura by the first day of the month the class is held. If Laura 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. If you have paid and do not attend the class or notify Laura by the beginning of the month please have someone pick up the piece for you since we cannot give refunds after the teacher has purchased surface and supplies for the class. We're sorry this has to be done but our teachers donate their time and talents to give us classes and expand our knowledge. It shouldn't cost them money to do so. We don't want to lose our teachers. PLEASE pay when you sign up.

PROGRAM (Cont'd)
Chairman – Laura Angelo

May 21, 2023 – Monica Schallenger
Small Bird on Floral Tree Branch



Oils, bring usual supplies. Price \$25

PROGRAM (Cont'd)
Chairman – Laura Angelo

July 16, 2023 – Carol Neth
Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer



Acrylics, bring usual supplies. Price \$25

PROGRAM (Cont'd)
Chairman – Laura Angelo

September 17, 2023 – Rosemary Habers
Salsa Placemat



Acrylics, bring usual supplies. Price \$15

RECORDING SECRETARY

Recording Secretary – Rosann Wagner
Chapter Business Meeting

Golden Triangle Decorative Painters Business Meeting, March 19, 2023

The **President** called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. There was a quorum.

A motion was made by Rhonda Gillespie and second by Susan Jaap to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as printed in the newsletter.

1st Vice President —Laura Angelo gave a schedule of the yearly classes.

Monica Schallenberger will be teaching an oil class in May, Carol Neth will be teaching an acrylic class in July. **A discussion followed about members signing up for classes and not showing up or paying. Members are responsible for payment of a class they have signed up for whether they are present for the class or not. Their money will be collected at the next class.**

Membership—Rhonda Gillespie said we had 21 people present for the meeting. Membership books were distributed and we were asked to disregard any information about National since it has been dissolved. A discussion followed on ways to attract new members as well as bring back old members.

Treasurer—Rosemary Habers gave the Treasurer's report and it will be put on file pending the audit. The President reported Mandy Steele had completed a successful audit.

Newsletter—Rosemary Habers set April 7 as the last day to turn in information for the newsletter.

Hospitality—Susan Jaap thanks everyone for the delicious food. She asked permission to buy a new coffee pot and was told it could come out of her budget. The May theme will be Chinese.

Service—Bill Habers discussed the various projects going on, walker bags, memory boxes and children's backpacks.

Corresponding Secretary—Bill Habers asked if any cards needed to be sent out.

Historian—Dolores Khalouf mentioned putting pictures in a disc and sent to Rosemary to put on our website.

Basket Luncheon—Karen Pagasky The Basket luncheon is April 16, 2023. So far 25 baskets have been committed. Admissions \$25. Doors open at noon and lunch will be served at 1.

Retreat —Cindie Martincic explained pricing and lodgings at Crestfield Camping and Conference Center. The Retreat is scheduled for October 5-8, 2023. 25 classes will be scheduled. Teacher letters have been sent out, the deadline for submissions is April 17. Classes will be chosen May 6th.

Ways and Means—Jeanne Delbusso . The winners were, 50/50—Cindi Martincic, the other winners of the various collections were Judy Shuba, MaryAnn Yurus, and Cindi Martincic.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Paulette Caldwell and second by Susan Jaap.

Respectfully submitted by Rosann Wagner, Recording Secretary.

RETREAT

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. Teacher letters have been sent and we will pick the projects in early May. The Booklet should be at the May Meeting. More details will be in future Newsletters.

Crestview does not handle individual payments so your room/food, registration and class will have to be paid to GTDP prior to the first of October.

SERVICE

Chairman – William Habers

Some painted backpacks came back at the March meeting for our service project. Carol Neth not only painted a few, she filled them up. I had 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. We have some more available. 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.

SPECIAL NEWS



It is with sadness that I must report the passing of Gwen Bonomo. Gwen joined GTDP in 1997. Gwen served as Ways & Means Chairman in 1999 and was an active member until an illness caused her to leave us in 2007.

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 March Raffles were:

Candle Holders, various wood surfaces
Won by Judy Shuba

Metal box, candle holders
Won by Judy Shuba

Tea pot, salt and pepper shakers, candle holder
Won by Cindie Martincic

Statue
Won by Judy Shuba

Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Cindie Martincic

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, has paperwork audited 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.

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

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	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

2023 Calendar of Events

May 21	Monica Schallenberger	Bird	Oil
July 16	Carol Neth	Red Nosed Reindeer	Acrylics
September 17	Rosemary Habers	Salsa Placemat	Acrylics
October 5-8	Retreat		
November 19	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