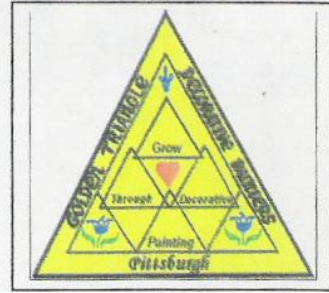




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Happy Birthday GTDP

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

What a nice turn out we had at the January meeting to paint walker bags for our local veterans. It's wonderful to see how many of our members volunteer their time and talent to such worthwhile projects.

I have a question to ask. Back in the '90's we created a banner for our chapter. The banner was painted with a view of Pittsburgh and at the bottom was all the patches from the Chapter achievement awards. This banner came up missing somewhere in the mid 2000's. We moved from the Masonic Hall the first time in 2006 to Consol Energy and removed everything that had been stored. Several people were generous enough to store some of the things from the cabinet. We moved back to the Masonic Hall in 2007 and no one has seen the banner since. If you have ever stored or still have ANYTHING stored for GTDP can you please look through it or where you might have stored anything related to GTDP and please check to see if it may have slipped behind something or got moved and you may have it.

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.

Due to the cost of printing we will again be sending the Newsletter out by e-mail in 2017. If you wish to have a hard copy the Chapter must again request \$24 for a year of color copies and \$18 for black and white copies.

Rosemary Habers  
2017 Newsletter Editor  
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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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Hope you are all keeping warm as winter brings chilling snow and winds. I especially want to thank Laura and the board for taking care of business at the January meeting as I enjoyed an excellent pastel class with Kay Witt. Only three months stand between song birds, flowers blooming and the return of warm weather. Also returning will be our annual Basket Luncheon. Plans are well under way and I truly hope that all of you will choose to participate in some way. There are many ways to help. The most obvious is to donate a basket. Do it alone or with the help of friends. You can paint and donate a nice door prize. You can volunteer to paint a centerpiece. We will need favors painted. With seating limited to 170, you can fill up a table and treat your friends to a wonderful day out at the beautiful Fairview Sunset Room. Contact any Board member to let us know that you are willing to support our Chapter. The success of GTDP depends on each of YOU!

The success of GTDP in 2016 is reflected in our financial stability, retaining membership, class participation and wonderful opportunities to share our love of painting. Each and every one of you is responsible in some measure for that success.

Our first Board meeting accomplished many goals for 2017. In addition to the Basket Luncheon, plans are under way as our Service Project is geared to a sincere expression of gratitude to our veterans. Each meeting we hope to provide an excellent learning experience to continue our growth as artists. A contract has been signed for the 2017 Retreat at Antiochian and the reservation page has already been set up waiting for our new theme.

I can't stress enough that this is your organization. Its success depends on each of you. You can sit in the boat and watch the waves go by or you can pick up an oar and help row. The choice is yours. From all us who are rowing, we thank you for your help.

I leave you with "Look up and not down; look forward and not back; look out and not in; lend a hand."  
Edward Everett Hale

### SAD NEWS

I was so very sad to receive the news of Nancy Reeser's passing. She will be remembered for her ever smiling face and willingness to serve our Chapter. It was truly a pleasure to work with Nancy on the Board as Sunshine Chairman. Her soft spoken advice will be missed. Mandy

Mandy Steele  
2017 President

## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Chairman –

No Report.

*Editor's 2¢ worth: It is with deep sadness that I must report the passing of Nancy Reeser. If you would like to be our new Corresponding Secretary contact any Board Member.*

## **DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Cindy Martincic

*Editor's 2¢ worth: For March please bring in a green food.*

## **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 changed their way of delivering our Membership cards. You will now receive yours via e-mail in February. Please print it off and bring it to the March meeting..*

## **POINTS**

Chairman – Rosann Wagner

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Remember to keep track of your points. Everything you do may earn you points. Points **MUST** be submitted by December 31, 2017. Each point will be worth 25¢ toward class fees.*

## **RETREAT**

Cindie Martincic

*Editor's 2¢ worth: 2017 Retreat will be October 12<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>. Teacher letters have been sent but if you did not receive one and would like to submit contact Rosann Wagner for a contract.. Also, have you ever wanted your artwork on the cover of our Retreat Booklet. If so, paint up a cover and bring it to the March Meeting. Member favorite will be picked then.*

## **SERVICE**

Chairman - Pat Jinkens

*Editor's 2¢ worth: We painted walker bags for the Veterans at the January meeting. If you took one home please bring it to the March meeting. Also, we are continuing the animal treat jars. Please save your jars and bring them painted or unpainted to Chapter meetings.*

## **TREASURER**

Rosemary Habers

Please 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.

Also, remember that Golden Dollars expire December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year issued. Any Golden Dollars received from points in 2016 expired December 31, 2016. 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 this March 2017 they expire in March 2018.

**RECORDING SECRETARY**  
**Golden Triangle Decorative Painters**  
**January 15, 2017 IOOF Hall, Finleyville**

The meeting was called to order by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Laura Angelo. President Mandy Steel was absent today. Laura announced that the proposed budget was at the side table for members viewing.

**Program-Laura Angelo**

Laura stated that the class in March Frog on Moon will be taught by Carol Neth at a \$20.00 fee. Rosann Wagner will teach a Spring Flower watercolor at the May meeting.

Lynne Banting will be teaching 3 days in July. Class choices will be announced at a later time.

Danny will be teaching in September

Beginning with the March meeting the doors will open at 9:15. Classes will start at 10:00. Lunch will be at Noon with meeting following. Painting will resume until 4:00

**Membership-Rhonda Gillespie**

There were 25 members present today. Marjorie Morris stated that she received an email stating that National cards will be emailed in February.

Judy Shuba won the \$5.00 Golden Dollars today.

**Treasurer-Rosemary Habers**

Rosemary read the treasurers report.

**Newsletter-Rosemary Habers**

February 3, 2017 is the deadline for the next newsletter.

Debbie Miller brought up that the photos of Rhonda and Laura were in the wrong place in the newsletter

**Points-Rosann Wagner**

Rosann announced that there were 2,255 points turned in at a total Golden Dollars of \$565.00

Someone turned in a point form at the November meeting. There is no name on the form. Please get in touch with Rosann if it belongs to you.

**Hospitality-Cindie Martincic**

The March meeting will be green foods.

Today we celebrated Founders Day with Sandwiches, Salad and a Cupcake palette. We had some brightly colored teeth.

**Service-Pat Jenkins**

Pat and Cindie delivered 28 walker totes to Presbyterian Senior Care in Washington, Pa. Rosemary and Bill delivered 106 treat jar and 102 bandanas to Animal Friends on Camp Horn Road.

Today we painted American themed walker bags for veterans. This will be an all year ongoing projects.

Rosann Wagner made a motion to accept the 2017 proposed budget. Bill Habers 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Motion Carried.

Rosemary Geer explained the gifts that were given to members at the Christmas party. Rosie explained that everyone of them had a wreath one had a button that was for all members. The wreath also had a Heart because the membership is the heart. The larger snowmen were for the board. They had a star on them because she felt that the board is the stars. In case you didn't know, Rosie made all the gifts and door prizes herself.

## **New Business**

The trunk sale usually held in July will now be whenever. This means whenever a member wants to bring in a few items they are welcome to do this.

It will be the members responsibility to set up table, set up items and clean up when finished. Please remember it is one table only.

Please be respectful of the class and painters.

We have decided to reward working members.

Each member has the opportunity to earn monies toward one class up to \$50.00

\$10 Members who attended the 2016 Christmas party

\$10 Members who paint a 2017 Service project

\$10 Member who donate at least a \$15.00 door prize for Basket luncheon

\$10 Member who donates at least a \$15.00 item to the Ways and Means table

\$10 Member attends or sells tickets for the Basket Luncheon.

Sincerely

Debbie Carosone

Recording Secretary

## Your Page

*Editor's 2¢ worth: OOPS!!! Somehow when I cut and pasted the pictures of the 2017 Officers I somehow switched the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice presidents. I didn't catch it but our vigilant Web Master did (I may never live this down 😊).* Below is the correction. Sorry Laura and Rhonda.

1st vice President: Laura Angelo



2nd Vice President: Rhonda Gillespie



## WAYS & MEANS

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

We had six lucky winners at the November Meeting:

Paints and pallet box donated by MaryAnn Yurus and  
Rosemarie Geer

Won by Sharon Livingood

Bean Bags donated by Rosemarie Geer

Won by Gwen Bonomo

One small Angel donated by Rosemary Habers and

One small Angel donated by Carol Neft

Won by Rhonda Gillespie

Angel donated by Karen Pagasky

Won by Linda Wyke

Gourd Vase donated by Jeanne Delbusso

Won by Carol Neth

Tree Canvas donated by Linnea Ondick

Won by Rosann Wagner

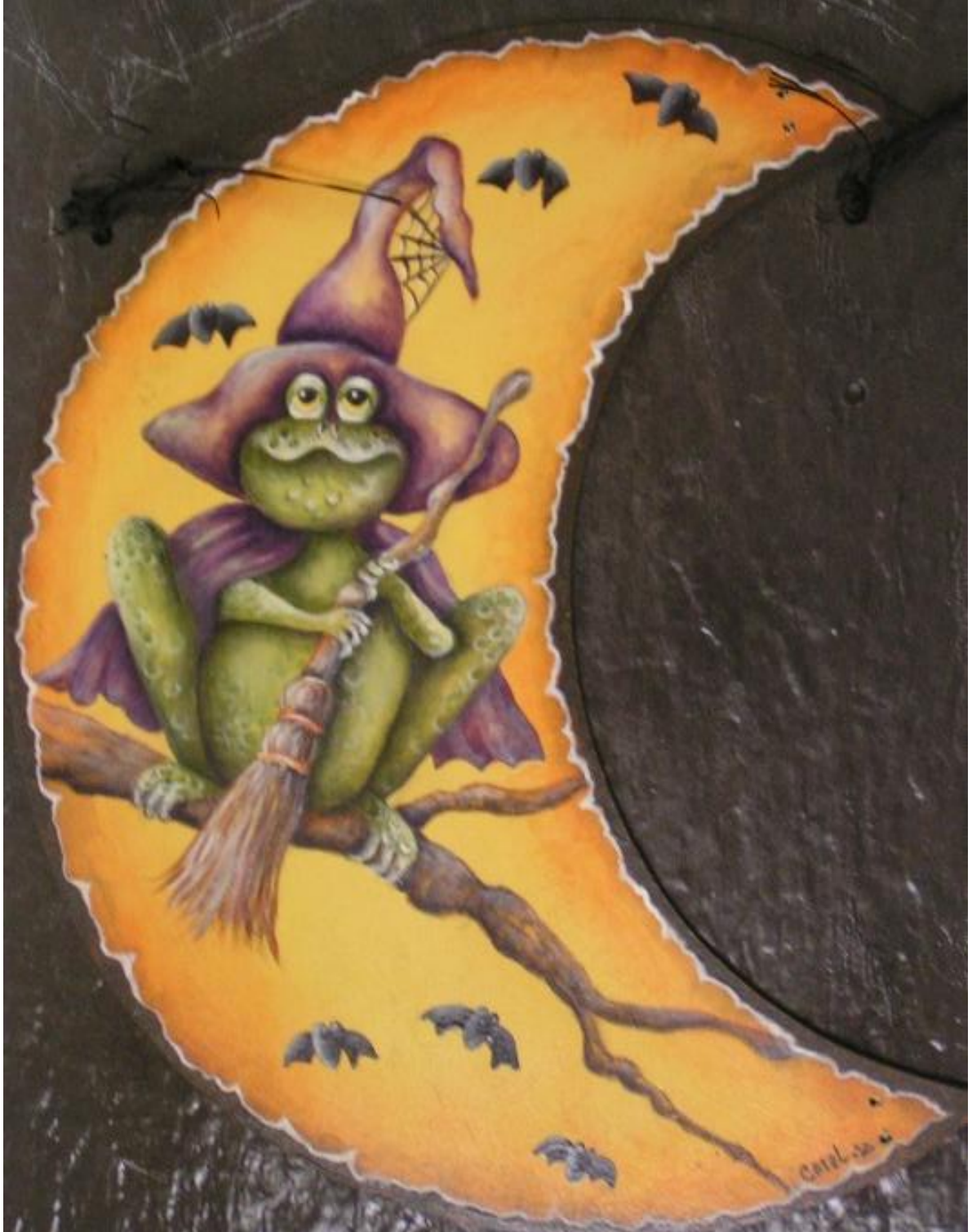
Plus our 50/50 winner was Linda Wyke



# Program

Chairman – Laura Angelo

March 19, 2017 – Carol Neth



Price \$20

Program (cont'd)

May 21, 2017 – Rosann Wagner



Price \$15

## Special News

Mountaineer Decorative painters are having classes in May with Barbara Franzreb Bunsey.

For non-members the cost is \$50 per day which includes the surface and instruction packets.

Friday will be the American plaque called "As American As"

Saturday is the Christmas coaster set

For further information contact Carol Keller at [cakeller713@gmail.com](mailto:cakeller713@gmail.com).



	RULES	Points	Total
1	Each Board Meeting Attended	6	
2	Serving on the Board: <b>President</b> <b>Elected Officers:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> VP, 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP, Corresponding Secretary Newsletter Editor, Publicity, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Ways and Means <b>Appointed Officers:</b> Hospitality, Parliamentarian, Points System, Service, <b>Special Committees:</b> Decorative Painting Month, Nominating	25 20 10 5	
3	Chapter dues for the following year paid by December 1 <sup>st</sup> 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;"><b>All donation points awarded are subject to Chairman's approval and validation.</b></p>	10 5 1+	
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- The "+" means additional quantities







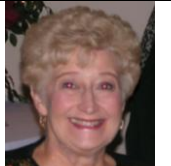





**TO BE ELEGIBLE FOR POINTS YOU MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING AS DEFINED IN OUR BY-LAWS.**



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 Canonsburg, PA 15317  
 (412) 745-4212

**POINTS SYSTEM FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY  
 DECEMBER 31, 2017**



## 2017 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	<b>Mandy Steele</b>	304-216-8683
	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>Debbie Carosone</b>	724-746-3168
	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:		
	A-V	Historian:	<b>Delores Khalouf</b>	724-941-5239
	A-V	Hospitality:	<b>Cindi Martincic</b>	724-222-7449
	A-V	Points System:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212
	A-NV	Decorative Painting Month:		
	A-NV	Nominating:		
	A-NV	Parliamentarian:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212

	A-NV	Service:	<b>Pat Jenkins</b>	724-225-6399
	A-NV	Retreat Chairman:	<b>Cindi Martincic</b>	724-222-7449
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	<b>Board</b>	

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

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### 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.**

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