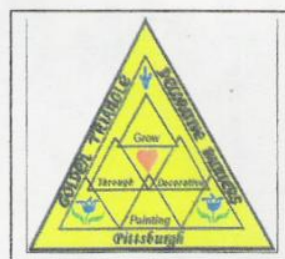




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Happy 39th Founders Day

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Welcome to a new year with GTDP. We have a full schedule of classes with our own teachers, Pictures of all the projects and prices can be found in the Membership Book.

Our March meeting class is a beautiful butterfly sitting on a flower being taught by Laura. (See picture in the "Class" section of this newsletter). If you want to attend the class and haven't signed up contact Laura. Also, remember if you sign up and don't attend you are still responsible for payment of the class.

Earlier you receive an email with the revised By-Laws and Code of Ethics. As of this writing, less than 12 of you have not responded. If you haven't responded yet, you need to reply that you either approve or disapprove of the changes by February 28th. Everything mentioning the Society had to be eliminated since they no longer exist. Remember you need to click the "Reply All" button when you reply. Thank you

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers
2023 Newsletter Editor
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hi Everyone,

First, I want to thank everyone for the wonderful turnout for our Founder's Day meeting. It was good to be together and to celebrate 39 years of our decorative painting organization. Hopefully we will have many more years of painting ahead of us. We are such a wonderful group!

We have so many things to look forward to this year. Laura has put together a slate of great classes that will be coming up. You can check the newsletter for all the details or get in touch with Laura if you have any questions. We also have our Basket luncheon on April 16, 2023 at the Sunset Room. Anyone with ornaments or centerpieces still out make sure you bring them to the March meeting. The tickets this year are \$25.00 and will be available at the March meeting. If anyone would want to contribute by painting door prizes, please get in touch with Karen Pagasky. Mary Ann Yurus will be in charge of baskets. Please help out by making a basket, either on your own or with a group. This is what our luncheon is all about.

We have been so blessed in the past years with so many wonderful and creative baskets. Our ladies are so talented.

Don't forget our neighbors to the north, Town and Country Painters, are having their retreat April 28th to the 30th. You can get more information on their website. We are also planning the return of our own retreat at Crestfield Conference Center this fall from October 5th thru the 8th. We are getting teachers lined up and activities in place to ensure that we will have a good time. It was always a pleasure to go to retreat, and I for one, am glad it's back. We will have more info as time goes on, so save the dates.

On a sad note we were informed of the passing of one of our long time members Gerry Dille. She will be missed.

I am looking forward to the year ahead and if you have any suggestions or ideas please don't hesitate to let me know. - Cindie

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

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

Our theme is Christmas in April.

Tickets are \$25 and will be available at the March meeting. Please start selling now and you can pay and pick up the tickets then.

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you were given a tree or favor to paint, and did not bring it back, painted, at the November or January Meeting, please bring the completed items to the March Meeting and give them to Karen. Also, if you have anything you would like to donate for door prizes valued at least \$20 please bring them as well.

If you would be willing to donate a basket, please let MaryAnn Know.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – William Habers

As mentioned at the January meeting, I sent a get-well card to Bill and Gail Bodkin. I also sent a birthday card to Gail, which was New Year's Day. If anybody you feel needs a card for any reason, feel free to get word to me and I will send something out. Also, if anyone knows how to contact Gerri Dille's family let me know. 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: March is our first time belated Mardi Gras theme. The Chapter should furnish something in the theme. A main dish (could include Cajun) or dessert.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: Dues started being paid at the November Meeting for the 2023 year. If you didn't pay yours yet, then please see Rhonda at the March Meeting. Dues are still \$25.

Also,. Membership Books will be available at the March Meeting.

SPECIAL NEWS



Editor's 2¢ worth: It is with extreme sadness that I must report the passing of long time member Gerry Dille on December 31, 2022. Gerry was 93 years old.

Gerry was Decorative Painting Month Chairman in 1987, Nominating Chairman in 1992 and Corresponding Secretary in 1995. Gerry also painted many projects for our various raffles.

Until the recent year Gerry attended our meetings and participated in our painting classes. She will be thought of and missed greatly.

POINTS

Chairman –

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

PROGRAM

Chairman – Laura Angelo

At the March 19 meeting I will be teaching Juanita Denton's Butterfly Collage. I have 16 signed up to paint and will be prepping all the surfaces before class. One student is bringing her own surface to paint on. The fee is \$25 and is done in acrylic paints.

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

March 19, 2023 – Laura Angelo

Juanita Denton's Butterfly Collage



Acrylics, bring usual supplies. Price \$25

PROGRAM (Cont'd)
Chairman – Laura Angelo

May 21, 2023 – Monica Schallenger
Small Bird on Floral Treer 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
January 15, 2023

President Cindie Martincic Called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

A motion to accept the Minutes as published in the newsletter was made by Mandy Steele and seconded by Rosann Wagner.

1st Vice President Laura Angelo gave the calendar for the year.

March—Laura Angelo will teach an acrylic class, cost \$25.

May—Monica Schallenberger will teach an oil class, cost \$25.

July—Carol Neth will teach an acrylic class

September—Rosemary Habers will teach an acrylic class.

November —Christmas Party

2nd Vice President Rhonda Gillespie said 26 members were present. She reminded those who have not paid dues yet to please do so. She also passed out cards for members to write pertinent information in case an emergency should arise.

Treasure Rosemary Habers gave the Treasurer's Report

Newsletter Editor Rosemary Habers gave a February 3rd deadline for all articles to be included in the newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary Bill Habers sent cards to Bill and Gail Bodkin, both got get well and birthday cards.

Hospitality Chairperson Susan Japp thanked all for bringing food. She will be going with a theme for each month's food choice, Debbie Miller complemented the food. March's theme is Mardi Gras.

Ways and Means Chairperson Jeanne Delbusso thanks everyone who participated. Paulette won the 50/50, Cindie won the wooden shoes and gave them to Pat Stepko
Rosemary won the sled and cabinet, Dolores won the pin collection and clock, and Debbie Miller won the paper mache and clock.

Historian Dolores Khalouf presented the 2022 scrapbook. She is working on a way to save all the material in the scrapbooks with a cd.

Service Chairperson Bill Habers brought in more Walker Bags and Memory Boxes as well as small children's Back Pack. Members were urged to paint them. He showed how the back packs could be filled with fun art items.

Basket Luncheon 2023 will be held on April 16, 2023 . Centerpieces and favors have been passed out, Tickets will be available in March. The price will be \$25. Mary Ann Yurus is in charge of Baskets.

Retreat 2023 has been scheduled for October 5-8. 2023 at the Crestfield Conference Center. More information will be available in March.

Old Business-Cindie recognized the founding members Pat Stepko. Gail Bodkin and Sandra Camarota. Gail explained the start of Golden Triangle Decorative Painters inception on January 15, 1984. This was our 39th anniversary.
Cindie mentioned Town and Country's retreat in April. More information can be had at our web site.

New Business- Cindie presented the 2023 proposed budget which was recommended by the board. Mandy Steele made a motion to accept the proposed budget.
Judy Shuba suggested we make fliers about GTDP and place them in various areas in hopes of increasing membership. Cindie told the membership that long time member Gerri Dillie had passed. Jeanne mentioned she went to the funeral home to represent GTDP.

The membership was told that SDP has officially been dissolved as of December 31, 2022. Mandy said there are several websites that will continue to promote painting.

A motion was made by Mandy Steele to adjourn and seconded by Carol Keller.
Meeting Adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Roseann Wagner, 2023 Recording Secretary

SERVICE

Chairman – William Habers

The January meeting helped get some painted pieces for our service projects. There were some of the new backpack project for children made available. There were only six at the meeting and they were all taken. I have additional backpacks that will be available at the March meeting. I haven't yet got the items we plan is to put in them yet. We are open to your opinions on this idea including 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:

1. Children backpacks taken home at the previous meeting. Please bring them back painted with designs for children. We have more blank ones needing painted.
2. Walker/tote bags taken home at the previous meeting. Please bring them back painted. We have more blank ones needing painted.
3. A memory box taken at prior meetings needs to be returned painted. We have some more of these too. If anybody has a medium to large box, you can donate them to be a memory box .
4. 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

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 April.

While we don't have a contract to confirm prices for room and food yet but we know prices will depend on how many days you attend. Finalized prices will be in the Booklet which will be at the May Meeting.

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

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 May Raffles were:

Wood desk organizer
Won by Rosemary Habers

Dutch Shoes
Won by Cindie Martincic

Small Curio
Won by Debbie Miller

Ornaments and clock form
Won by Cindie Martincic

Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Paulette Capwell

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.

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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	E-V	Publicity:	Mary Ann Yurus	724-745-8337
	E-V	Newsletter Editor:	Rosemary Habers	412-741-5158
	E-V	Corresponding Secretary:	Bill Habers	412-741-5158
	A-V	Historian:	Delores Khalouf	412-292-1254
	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

2023 Calendar of Events

March 19	Laura Angelo	Butterfly Collage	Acrylics
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