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It was Welcome to the Fairy Garden at
GTDP's 2015 Basket Luncheon

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

As you should be aware by now it was decided that the Chapter needed to become more financially aware and what cost cuts were possible. The Basket Luncheon, Dues and Ways and Means are our only sources of income. One of the cost cutting decisions made was to discontinue mailing this newsletter. With copying and postage we are spending approximately \$800 a year on the Newsletter. This newsletter will be the last one mailed. Starting with the August Newsletter a file with the Newsletter will be e-mailed to those members with computers and the Newsletter will still be posted on the Website. It was decided at the last Board Meeting that if you do not have a computer or if you do and still want a Newsletter mailed to you there must be a fee charged of \$5.00. With the exception of no longer being mailed, nothing will change about the newsletter. It will still have all the Chapter information, programs and news and I would still like to post anything members find interesting. I must admit that I will miss having the newsletter copied, collating it, stapling it, folding it, doing address labels and pasting the stamps and mailing dots. And yes folks, I'm only one step ahead of the men in the white coats 😊

Also, as a cost cutting measure the Point System has been revised. The new version has been printed in this Newsletter. Several items have been deleted and or changed and the points will now be worth 25¢. Please review it and make note of any changes you wish to comment on. We will be voting on them at the July Meeting.

I want to give a special thank you to Debbie Carosone. Despite a computer crash, and a carpal tunnel like injury she not only re-wrote the minutes by hand to be easier for me to read but made a special trip to Office Max to FAX them to me AND put up with having to re-send at least 5 times because I couldn't figure out how to get my FAX to answer her transmissions. Now that's dedication to the club. Thank you Debbie.

Newsletter deadlines: August 7
October 2
December 4

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I want to thank our wonderful board members for a productive meeting held on June 6. Special thank you to Rosann Wagner for opening her home to us and each of you that provided lunch. The Board has worked very diligently in securing a well-organized and financially sound future for GTDP. Each administration has an obligation to looking at not only the present but the future so that we can continue the main objective of GTDP – PAINTING! But you as members also have an obligation to support, contribute and promote this ideal. This Board is always open to the membership with ideas.

We are each a part of a puzzle called GTDP, if a piece doesn't fit, the puzzle is never complete. None of the pieces are the same but they come together to form a beautiful picture. With 60 plus personalities, we may not always agree with everything but to achieve success we must work together for the common good of the organization.

Congratulations to Jeanne Delbusso and Laura Angelo and committee people for a very profitable Basket Luncheon. Thank you to all those who contributed terrific baskets, door prizes and special raffles. We had a profit of \$3,126.81, 29 gorgeous baskets and Debbie Miller received over 50 very nice painted door prizes from our members. Jeanne and Laura made 5 very creative large door prizes which were well received by those in attendance. The Basket Luncheon is our one main fund raiser for the year and without contributions from each of you it would not have been as financially rewarding.

At the board meeting we did address some of the issues that put a damper on the Basket Luncheon. To that end we will be announcing the 2016 Basket Luncheon chairman at the July meeting based on recommendations from survey cards at the luncheon. We also will be looking into finding a larger, more accommodating venue, so if you have recommendations for a new location, please let us know. Even though we had no control over the situation, we can only apologize for the failure of Peter's Place to have adequate space and staffing to service 180 people. Other issues addressed will be resolved as best we can with next year's Luncheon. Please remember, the volunteers who organize these events are only human. Those who walk on water are free to volunteer anytime.

Also addressed in this newsletter, you will find the suggested changes to the current point system which the board has approved for vote at the July meeting. These changes have been approved to again secure the future financial stability of GTDP.

Come join the fun! Bring a Friend! So much more to look forward to throughout 2015. Start planning for fun filled classes July and September, Retreat in October and Make-It, Take-It/Christmas Party in November.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mandy Steele, President

POINTS

Chairman – Rosann Wagner

Can you believe 2015 is half over? I hope you are keeping track of your points, it is so much easier to keep up with them each month rather than try to remember at the end of the year. Look in the newsletter for a copy of the Points System.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Following is the revised Points for 2016. Please look them over and list any questions you may have for the July Meeting.

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3	Chapter dues for the following year paid by December 1 st 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 (1 point 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 \$10 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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2016 POINTS SYSTEM			
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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 \$10 value) All donation points awarded are subject to Chairman's approval and validation.	10 5 1+	
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- The "+" means additional quantities
- 1 Point = \$.25

POINTS MUST BE SUBSTANTIATED IN WRITING BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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

Mail To: Rosann Wagner
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Points must be submitted by December 31, 2016

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Laura Angelo, Jeanne Delbusso

The 2016 Basket Luncheon Chairman will be announced at the July meeting.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – Nancy Reeser

No Report.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Chairman Nancy Reeser has done an excellent job these past 2 years of sending out cards for holidays, well wishes and get well cards. Now it's our turn to return the favor. Nancy had surgery on June 4. Please send her a get well card or a nice email to let her know that we are thinking of her.

DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman – Rosalie Piccola

No Report.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Debbie Miller

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NOMINATING

If you would like to volunteer for an office and committee chair, please contact Mary Ann Dunbar. Officer nominations will be announced at the Sept meeting and voting will take place at the November meeting.

PROGRAM

Chapter Meeting - July 19, 2015

We will be painting walker bags at the July meeting along with the trunk sale. Walker bags are going to be painted for a nursing home this time and we will have several patterns and paints available at the meeting.

September 20, 2015

Rosann Wagner – Lighted Snowman Block



Members \$25

Non-Members \$30

RECORDING SECRETARY

Debbie Carosone

Golden Triangle Decorative Painter's

Chapter Meeting - May 17, 2015 IOOF, Finleyville, PA

Meeting called to order at 1:00

Laura made a motion to accept the March Minutes in the Newsletter. Danny 2nd it.
Motion carried

Program-Laura Angelo

5 more students were added to Rosann's glass block class scheduled for September.

MaryAnn Yurus taught a Calla Lily watercolor class today

In July we will be painting walker bags for Ashbury Nursing Home

Ellen Hildenbrand started that she really enjoyed the Cheri Rol Seminar

Registration-Debbie Miller

There were 27 members in attendance today. 3 guests, 2 new members – Sandy Nix and Linnea Undick.

Treasurer-Rosemary Habers

Gave Treasurer's report. Liability Insurance has been paid.

Newsletter-Rosemary Habers

Newsletter deadline is 1st Friday of next month. Please send Rosemary your e-mail address.

Mandy announced putting Newsletter on web site for all who own computers.

Ways & Means-MaryAnn Dunbar

MaryAnn said July's theme will be "From the Garden". September will be "Fall into Halloween".

Corresponding Secretary-Nancy Reeser

Please call her when a card needs to be sent.

Hospitality-Rosalie Piccoli

Thanked everyone for bringing food.

She asked that we take leftovers home.

Points-Rosann Wagner

Rosann gave a brief explanation of the point system for the new members.

Retreat – Debbie Carosone

October 15th – 18th. Celebrate the Seasons. Debbie announced that there are a few positions that need filled.

Also explained a price increase from Antiochian

New Business

There was a short discussion on by-law changes.

Rosann made an offer to accept the by-law changes as published in the last newsletter.

Caro Keller 2nd. Motion carried

Debbie Miller made a motion to adjourn meeting

Gerri Dille 2nd.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50

Secretary

Debbie Carosone

RETREAT

Chairman – Debbie Carosone

Fall will be here before you know it. Treat yourself to a wonderful painting weekend at Antiochian. As I said at the chapter meeting, this retreat should be on everyone's bucket list. Do yourself a favor, start putting money aside for a fall painting getaway. You deserve it !!!!!

Anyone painting a raffle item for Retreat **must** have the item and a photograph of the item by the July Meeting.

Thanks Debbie

WAYS & MEANS

Chairman – Mary Ann Dunbar

The theme for the May Ways and Means was "PAINT ACROSS AMERICA" Raffle items got us ready for the patriotic months ahead this Summer.

Welcome Friends Plaque donated by Joan Schneider and won by Roseann Wagner

America the Beautiful Plaque donated by Joan Schneider and won by Marylou Booth

Home Sweet Home Plaque donated by Joan Schneider and won by Mandy Steele

Night Light donated by Mary Ann Dunbar and won by Carol Keller

Painted Jacket donated by Mary Ann Dunbar and won by Nancy Reeser

Tote Bag donated by Rose Geer and won by Bill Habers

Clock donated by Ruby Dunlap and won by Deb. Carasone

Garden Slate donated by Deb Carasone and won by Shirley Burnsworth.

50/50 raffle was won by Amy Shellhamer

July's Ways and Means theme will be "FROM THE GARDEN" can be vegetable or flower garden items.

Remember this is your Club and Ways and Means needs your support to help fund the clubs activities.

Items are still being collected for the rolling cart raffle. Let's fill this cart with painting related items, this will be raffled at God's retreat in October.

Mary Ann Dunbar
Ways and Means Chair

YOUR PAGE

Birthdays

July

1 Marjorie Orlandini
10 Jeannie Delbusso

August

2 Debbie Schalinburg
10 Janet Francis
14 Linnea Ondick
20 Val Vandenberghe
21 Lucille Hannan

September

16 Rosemary Habers
22 Cindi Martincic
25 Sharon ivingood
27 Audrey Wagers
28 Rosann Wagner

Editor's 2¢ worth: If I missed any others or you are new and I don't have your birthday, please e-mail me or see me at the next Chapter Meeting so I can include it in future Newsletters

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A-NV	Parliamentarian: Rosann Wagner	724-745-4212
A-NV	Service:	
A-NV	Retreat Chairman: Debbie Carosone	724-745-3168
A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon: Laura Angelo	724-785-5592
	Jeanne Delbusso	724-941-2415

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

Calendar of Events

July 19, 2015	Service - painting walker bags		
Sept 20, 2015	Rosann Wagner	Snowman	Acrylic
October 15–18, 2015	Retreat		
November 15, 2015	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 9:30a.m. and doors open at 9:00.

Visit the Chapters website at GTDP.org

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7	Donation of items to the Chapter Ways & Means or Hospitality (1point per \$5 value)	1+	
8	Teaching a make-it/Take-it at Chapter Business meeting	3	
9	Attendance at a workshop, seminar or class (DOES include chapter meeting activities)	2	
10	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+	
11	SERVICE Painting a Chairman approved service item	3	
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POINTS SYSTEM FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY DECEMBER 31, 2015