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It was Christmas at GTDP

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't the November Meeting fun. We had Make-it/Take-It's, Prizes and a wonderful meal thanks to Susan's hard work..

We also had elections and elected a new President. Congratulations Cindie I know you'll do a great job.

Laura is our new Program Chair. She already has some great plans for future classes.

I hope you're as excited as me to know our Retreat is back. All the details have not been worked out yet but I have every confidence it will be as great as other years even though it's in a different location. Give us your thoughts and ideas at the January Meeting.

We all know Covid is still around and now the flu. Please, if you have medical problems or just concerns about being around a lot of people don't be shy or ashamed to wear a mask. No one will think anything of it or criticize you.

See you all in January (barring a major snow storm).

Thank you.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Painting Friends,

Since this is my last President's message to you, I want to take a minute and thank all of you for your support over the past several years. I want to thank the board as well for constantly working for the betterment of the membership and always stepping up to the plate to make sure the Chapter will continue to thrive.

Congratulations to Cindie Martincic on being elected President, she will be terrific in this new position. She has already suggested several things that will make our Chapter better.

The Christmas party was very nice, thanks to all who helped out .
January is our Founders Day Meeting and Bill has several projects to paint for service.

Merry Christmas to all of you and many blessings for the New Year. See you in January.

Happy Painting. Rosann.

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.

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you were given a tree or favor to paint, and did not bring it back, painted, at the November Meeting, please bring the completed items to the January 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 Mary Ann know.

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: January is our Founders Meeting. The Chapter will be furnishing cake. A couple of Board members will furnish soup. We ask members if they could furnish their favorite a few sandwiches or even a dessert.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

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

Also, Membership Books are created every year so please check your old book to see if there are any changes to your info and email me at habersr1@aol.com or see me at the January Meeting. meeting with the changes. Membership Books will be available at the March Meeting.

POINTS

Chairman –

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

PROGRAM

Chairman – Cindie Martincic

Editor's 2¢ worth

November was our Christmas Party. Hope everyone enjoyed it, I know I did. Thank you Susan, you did a wonderful job with. Thank you Laura as well for the cute Gnome centerpieces you donated.



November was also Make-It/Take-It times. Thanks for all the teachers for teaching their projects.



PROGRAM (Cont'd)



RECORDING SECRETARY

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo

Chapter Meeting
November 20, 2022

President Rosann Wagner called the meeting to order at 1:22 pm. A motion to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter was made by Cindi Martincic and seconded by Carol Neth.

1st VP - Programs Chairperson Cindi Martincic thanked the 10 members who showed up to paint and the 5 teachers who were there to teach miti's.

2nd VP - Rhonda Gillespie said that there were 26 members at the meeting.

Treasurer - Rosemary Habers read the financial report

Newsletter - Rosemary Habers announced that the deadline for newsletter entries is December 2

Service - Bill Habers spoke to the chapter about the projects (totes and walker bags that are an ongoing painting service that benefits veterans at the VA Hospital. There are memory boxes to be painted, also at January's meeting. There will be patterns and paint for the walker bags and totes that we already have. There was some discussion on other projects being planned for the new year.

Hospitality - Susan Jaap The chapter will supply the cake for the Founders Day chapter meeting in January. Soup and sandwiches will be the lunch theme and Laura Angelo, Rosann Wagner, and Cindi Martincic are making soups. Sandwiches and desserts are greatly appreciated. Keep in mind that the chapter member turnouts are much smaller than before so prepare accordingly.

Delores Khalouf - Historian spoke of the numerous pictures and scrapbooks that have accumulated over the years and what we can do to downsize. Picture viewers set up at meetings may be a possibility for members to reminisce..

Basket Luncheon 2023 - there were unpainted wood items at the meeting that needed to be painted for the luncheon's door prizes.

Retreat 2023 - we are planning for our new retreat at Slippery Rock for October 5-8, 2023. Details to follow soon and teacher letters will be sent out at the beginning of the year

Elections for Board Positions were held.

Presenting the new board for 2023:

1st VP- Programs - Laura Angelo
2nd VP- Membership - Rhonda Gillespie
Recording Secretary - Rosann Wagner
Treasurer - Rosemary Habers
Ways and Means - Jeanne Delbusso
Publicity - Mary Ann Yurus
Newsletter Editor - Rosemary Habers
Corresponding Secretary - Bill Habers

Ways and Means - Jeanne Delbusso Jeannie had 6 different drawings for wood and painted items that were donations from members. Winners were Rosemary Habers , Pat Jinkens, Pat Diettrich, and Rhonda Gillespie. The winner of the 50/50 drawing was Amy Shelhammer.

Town and Country Decorative Painters are having a spring retreat at Slippery Rock. Their dates are April 28, 29, and 30, 2023. Rosemary said that she will have a link to their booklet on our website as soon as it is publishable. Dot Hoffman shared some details about their retreat.

A motion was made by Cindi Martincic to adjourn the meeting and Marjorie Morris seconded the motion at 2:06 pm.

SERVICE

Chairman - William Habers

It seems to have become a January tradition that we use this meeting to paint our service projects. It has been suggested that we paint smaller tote bags and fill them with items for children stuck being in hospitals. We are open to your opinions on this idea including what the filler items are. If you think this would be a good, project please notify me or any board meeting so I can have bags to paint in January. As always, you can take some home to paint before the next meeting in March. Just a reminder to everybody to bring the following to the next meeting:

Walker/tote bags taken home at the previous meeting. Please bring them back painted. We have more blank ones needing painted.

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 .

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

SERVICE (Cont'd)



Editor's 2¢ worth: Thank you everyone who has brought glass jars. 145 filled jars were delivered to Animal Friends along with my family's donation of 9 - 7 pound boxes of biscuits and a gallon jar of treats. Laura also donated a dozen painted jars with cat treats and thank you to Rhonda and Jeanne for monetary donations.

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:

Sweatshirt, piggy bank, wood donated by Bill Habers
Won by Rosemary Habers

Wood Sled donated by Bill Habers
Won by Pat Jinkens

Painted Sled donated by Bill Habers
Won by Pat Diettrich

Wood Sign donated by Lisa Deiley
Won by Pat Dietrich

Thanksgiving Pilgrims donated by Karen Pagasky
Won by Rhonda Gillespie

Reindeer ornament donated by Karen Pagasky
Won by Rhonda Gillespie.

Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Amy Shelhammer

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you have something for our Raffles, please bring them to Jeanne at the next meeting.

SPECIAL NEWS

OUR GTDP RETREAT IS BACK!!!!!!!!!!

That's right, the retreat is back. We have changed location, 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.

The board will be having a discussion about the Retreat at a board meeting. They would like to hear your opinions that may not have been addressed at the November meeting: do you want the Retreat; do you like the venue; ideas on a theme. Questions like that. Contact a board member if you want.

While we don't have a contract to confirm these prices for room and food prices are currently:

Single	-	\$312
Double	-	\$212
Triple	-	\$187

Remember, these prices are subject to change.

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.

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

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
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

2022 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	Rosann Wagner	724-745-4212
	E-V	1 st VP/Program:	Cindie Martincic	724-222-7449
	E-V	2 nd VP/Membership:	Rhonda Gillespie	724-941-0188
	E-V	Recording Secretary:	Laura Angelo	724-785-5592
	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
	E-V	Newsletter Editor:	Rosemary Habers	412-741-5158
	E-V	Corresponding Secretary:		
	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

January 15	Painting Service Projects, Founders Day
March 19	TBA
May 21	TBA
July 16	TBA
September 17	TBA
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