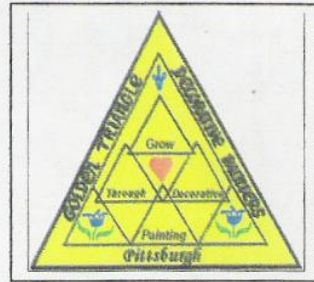




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# *Let's Keep in Touch*

## **NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

Hope you like this "special newsletter", I think it is my favorite of ALLLLL the Newsletters I have produced. I am so proud of all of you and really want to thank you for sharing. We even have 2 unique projects that I think you'll like.

I also hope this Newsletter finds all of you are healthy, physically and mentally. Our having to stay home and practice social distancing was a whole different life than we are accustomed to and it's not completely over yet. We may now be in the "Green" phase but we still have restrictions. We must still wear facial masks, keep six feet apart and groups of 250 or less can meet. As I said in our last newsletter, I think we are luckier than most having our art to help us get through our home confinement so I wanted to show all of you not just how talented our membership is but to highlight the healing power of our art

We had a schedule set for this year and two of our classes have already been cancelled and we don't know when all restrictions will be lifted. The only thing we are sure of is that we are under a State Mandate restricting group gatherings so any activities listed are tentative and subject to change. I will notify all of you of any changes/additions as soon as I get them.

I hope all of you have found ways to keep in touch with family and friends. Personally, I am looking forward to seeing my son and extended family for the big hugs they give,

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers  
2020 Newsletter Editor  
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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello Painting friends-- I hope all of you are safe and well as we navigate this global pandemic. It is hard to believe we are still under so many restrictions. The board did a first the other day-- we had a zoom meeting to discuss the proper way to handle the coming election . I am sure by now you have received Rosemary's email. Please reply, this is your organization. The board would like to thank you for your patience and understanding as we travel through these unprecedented times. I hope painting has been keeping you busy, I know it has been a salvation for me at least breaking up the time. I wish all of you well, I miss you and hope that we will be able to get together soon. Sending all of you a hug--stay safe and well.

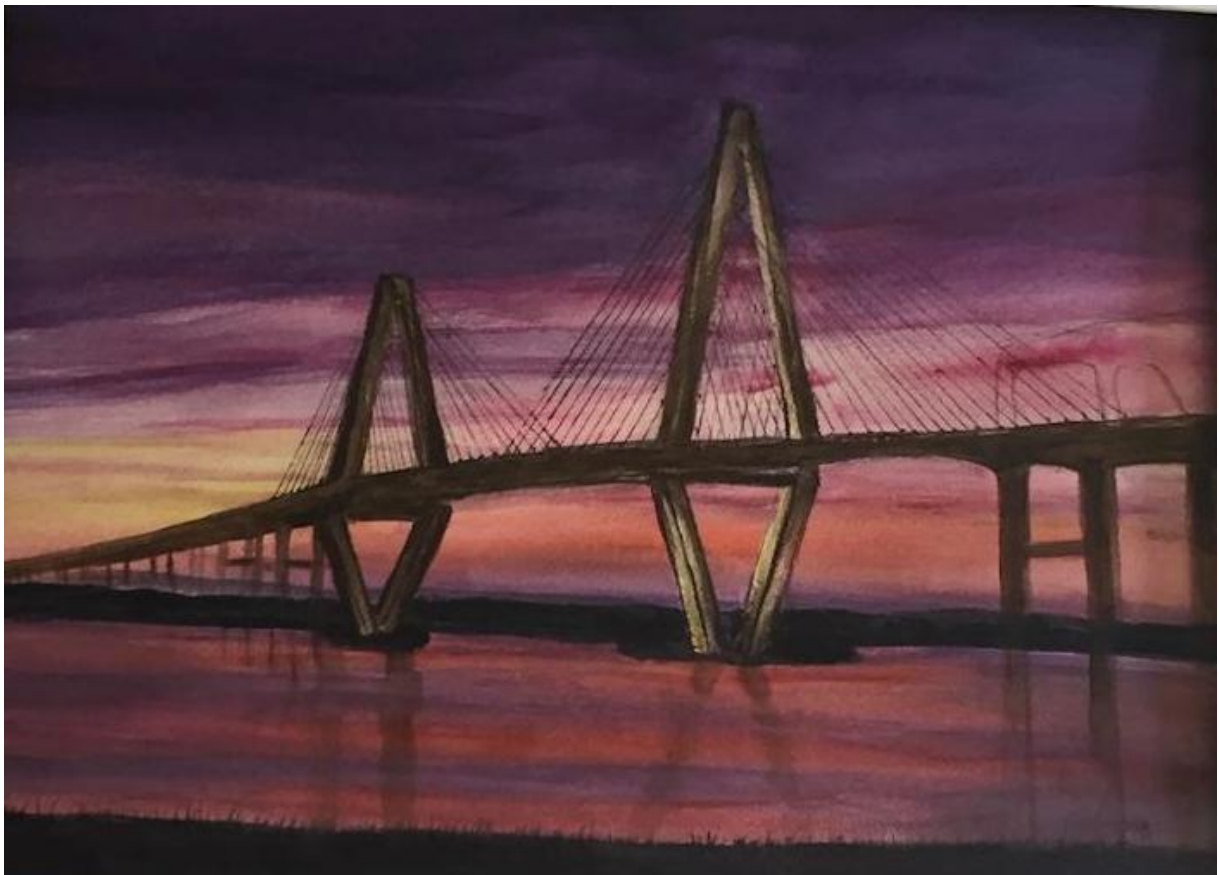
Happy painting, Rosann  
2020 GTDP President

Eileen Bogacz





Eileen Bogacz (Cont'd)



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Rosemary Habers



Rosemary Habers(Cont'd)





**Bill Habers**



Bill Habers (Cont'd)





Susan Jaap





Susan Jaap (Cont'd)





Kelly Jasko



**Pat Jenkins**





Pat Jenkins(Cont'd)



**Marjorie Morris**



**Monica Schallenberger**





Rosann Wagner



Mary Ann Yurus





Mary Ann Yurus (Cont'd)





Mary Ann Yurus (Cont'd)



## SPECIAL NEWS

One of our long-time members, Dot Hoffman, is Town & Country's Newsletter Editor. Below is an article she published in their Newsletter and though we would enjoy it as well. Any questions you can contact: Dot Hoffman, Editor 2020, [telebrush@aol.com](mailto:telebrush@aol.com) So, here printed with her permission is the article.

Check out some online videos for classes and projects while you are social distancing. During the pandemic, teachers found that offering online classes and tutorials was easy for them and appreciated by us students. So why not look for some classes that you can do while in the comfort of your own home?

Are you getting a little bit of cabin fever? Looking for something different to do? Would you like to practice your painting or learn some new techniques from the comfort of your home? Many of our favorite artists are offering free classes online during the pandemic!

Ø Chris Haughey has been one of the many artists giving free lessons online! She has several free patterns and is also demonstrating some of her projects on Facebook. Go to <https://www.cdwood.com/collections/free-e-patterns> for 28 free patterns!

Ø Tracy Moreau is teaching a new project on YouTube every Saturday! Just go to [Youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and search for her name.

Ø Several teachers are teaching in a Facebook group called CREATIVE INNOVATIONS in PAINTING. You can join the group or let me know and I will invite you into the group. Her most recent project is "Tuscan Flowers."

Ø Debbie Cole is also teaching in the CREATIVE INNOVATIONS in PAINTING Facebook group. She has the cutest gnomes. I got a free scarecrow packet from Laurie Speltz there.

Ø Donna Dewberry is also teaching free classes in that group. [www.plumpurdy.com](http://www.plumpurdy.com) has several wonderful and free Renée Mullins designs.

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Ø Some teachers will sell you an e-packet (just download it) and then you can paint with them in a video. Not everyone can see the videos, just those who purchase the e-packets.

Ø Deb Antonick also has some free patterns at [www.paintingwithdeb.com](http://www.paintingwithdeb.com)

Ø Also on YouTube is Patricia Rawlinson with some beautiful free patterns and videos. I'm definitely checking this one out. Thanks, Carol Sexton, for suggesting Renee Mullins and Patricia Rawlinson. And for the next one.

Ø Also on YouTube is Wow Art, where the artist puts some dabs of paint on a canvas and makes a beautiful painting. The bougainvillea one is lovely. It's fun to watch.



Ø Louise Jackson teaches some free projects online including this one on painting tulips in watercolor. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KV7mqQLKtt4> She also has one on painting waterdrops in watercolor and blending with watercolor.

Ø Lydiasteeves.com has Lydia sharing some free colored pencil classes, including this one on basics for colored pencils at <https://tinyurl.com/y9n75e6w> . She has one on Beginner Basics 2 and others.

Ø Debbie Cole is sharing free classes on YouTube. Just search for Debbie Cole Designs. Here's a link to one she did on painting realistic water drops in acrylics: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4O2EB6XuaGs> She has a video on painting birch trees, on floating techniques, and painting realistic fur.

Ø Do you like gnomes? See Sandy LeFlore demonstrate painting her design in this free tutorial at <https://tinyurl.com/yd4vqtfa>

Ø Here's a great free tutorial on upcycling old silver plated pieces.

Ø Just go to YouTube.com, type in decorative painting in the search box, and see what you find. Or type in the medium you want- acrylic, colored pencil, etc.

Ø Many teachers sell e-packets. These are pattern packets that you purchase and download to your own computer. You can then print them out and start painting! Some of the e-packets include access to videos, just like being in class with the teacher.

Ø Some teachers offer online classes that you can purchase, too.

Remember that when you watch the videos online, you can pause them at any time. Watch the teacher demonstrate, pause, do the steps yourself, restart.

***Editor's 2¢ worth***  
**BASKET LUNCHEON**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky - See you next year

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Chairman – Pat Jinkens - *Know someone who needs a card let Pat know*

**HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Susan Jaap - *Will let you know before next meeting*

**MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie – *A motion was made and passed that the dues paid in 2020 will be carried over to 2021. Also, will you please send Rosemary your 2020 Membership number we need them for the end of year report to National.*

**POINTS**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky – *A motion was made and passed by the Board that all points given out in January 2020 will be honored for 2021 classes.*

**RECORDING SECRETARY**

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo - No Meeting, no minutes

**SERVICE**

Chairman – Carol D'Abruzzo - *Took a box home to paint? Return it to Carol at the next Meeting. Please continue saving jars for me. Thank you* 

**TREASURER**

Rosemary Habers - *I have NO checks to be deposited. Checks written for my canceled class will be returned next meeting.*

**WAYS & MEANS**

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso - No Meeting, no raffles.



## BIRTHDAYS

### JANUARY

01 Gail Bodkin  
25 Ellen Belisle

### FEBRUARY

04 Karen Pagasky  
07 Gwen Bonomo  
18 Mary Ann Dunbar  
25 Marjorie Morris

### MARCH

07 Carol D'Abruzzo  
13 Mandy Steele  
16 Dominique Nashed  
17 Donetta Brunette  
19 Pat Stepko  
25 Laura Angelo

### APRIL

03 Sharon Henson  
11 Eileen Bogacz  
27 Debbie Miller  
28 Gerry Dille

### 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  
Miranda Scanlon

### SEPTEMBER

16 Rosemary Habers  
22 Cindie Martincic  
23 Ciara Wagner  
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  
28 Joan Schneider  
30 Rhonda Gillespie





### DECEMBER

07 Paulette Caldwell  
09 Pat Jenkins  
13 Susan Jaap  
23 Judy Shuba  
30 Carol Neth

## 2019 BOARD MEMBERS

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	A-NV	Nominating:		
	A-NV	Parliamentarian:	<b>Mandy Steele</b>	304-216-8683
	A-NV	Service:	<b>Carol D'Abruzzo</b>	412-881-1208
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	<b>Karen Pagasky</b>	724-947-5290

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

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### **2020 Calendar of Events**

November 15

Make-It/Take-Its - Classes starts at 10:00 A.M.  
Elections  
Christmas Party  
November Meeting

**Meetings are held at the: I.O.O.F Hall**  
**3684 Finleyville-Elrama Rd.**  
**Finleyville, Pa. 15332**

**Doors open one half hour before the class start time.**

**Visit the Chapters website at [GTDP.org](http://GTDP.org)**