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Merry Christmas GTDP

#### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

Well, here we are in the 10<sup>th</sup> month of this pandemic. I've really missed the 5 meetings we were unable to attend and we don't know if restrictions will allow us to be able to hold our January meeting either. I miss all of you and really hope we that we can start the New Year together and hold the January meeting.

I again want to thank all of you for helping me to do my job as Newsletter Editor and keep us together through memories by sending me photos of your works during this pandemic. I love seeing all of your works.

I know it means more clutter for your home but please continue saving jars for me. I was able to give almost 200 jars to Animal Friends last year but so far this year I only have 80. Animal Friends have been involved in supplying food for pets to those who can't afford it so if you think you can afford it, send them a donation. Maybe next year we can collect more jars and beat our past donations. Thank you

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers 2020 Newsletter Editor habersr1@aol.com

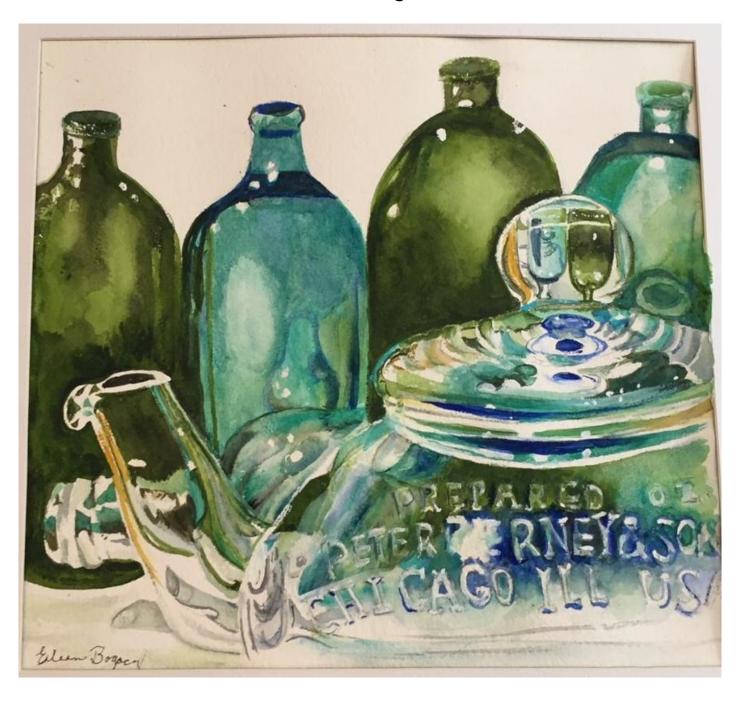
#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Painting friends-- I hope this newsletter finds all of you safe and healthy. Can you believe you are reading the December newsletter? How can a year like 2020 seem to creep along and yet go by so fast? Hope your Thanksgiving was nice and you had some immediate family to share it with. Christmas is just around the corner and as I unpack my decorations, I am going down memory lane looking at some of the things I have painted for this special holiday, it often brings a smile to my face.

Something to look forward to--Sherry Nelson has been scheduled for September 2021. The board will be having a zoom meeting after the New Year. We need to pass the budget (same as last year so that Rosemary can continue to pay several bills. We have not incurred many expenses this year, but the insurances and SDP charges need to be paid. Please keep an eye on your email after January 1st, you will be asked to vote on the budget after the board makes its recommendation. I pray that your Christmas and Hanukkah are blessed. Happy New Year (2021 you have got to do a better job than 2020). I miss my painting family, please stay safe and healthy so we can be together soon.

Rosann.

### Eileen Bogacz



#### **Ilene Deiley**

#### THEN



#### **Ilene Deiley (Cont'd)**

NOW



## **Rosemary Habers**





## **Rosemary Habers (Cont'd)**





## **Rosemary Habers (Cont'd)**





#### **Bill Habers**

#### THEN



### Bill Habers (Cont'd)

Now



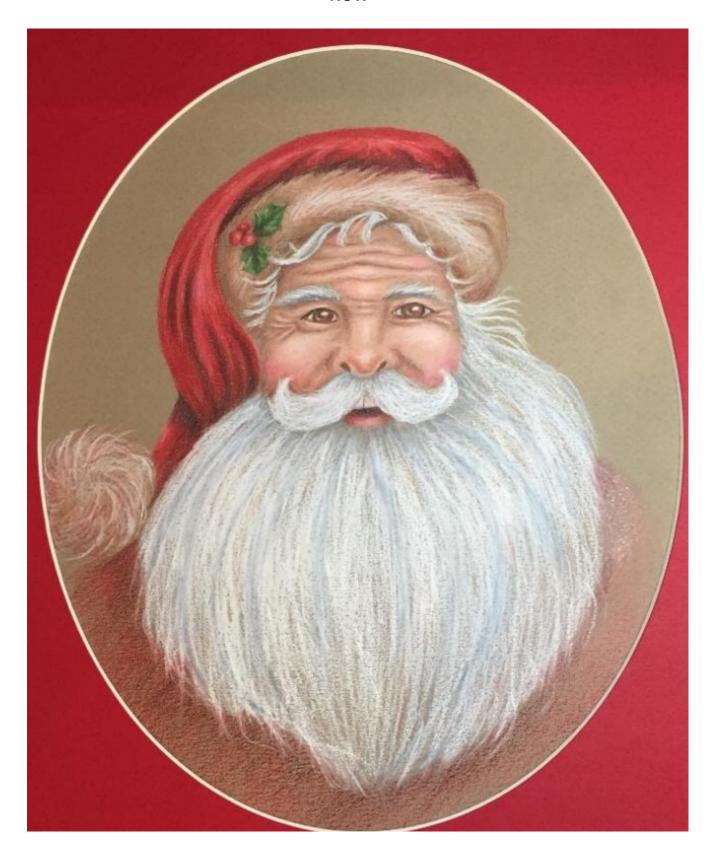
#### **Dot Hoffman**

#### THEN



## **Dot Hoffman (Cont'd)**

NOW



### Susan Jaap







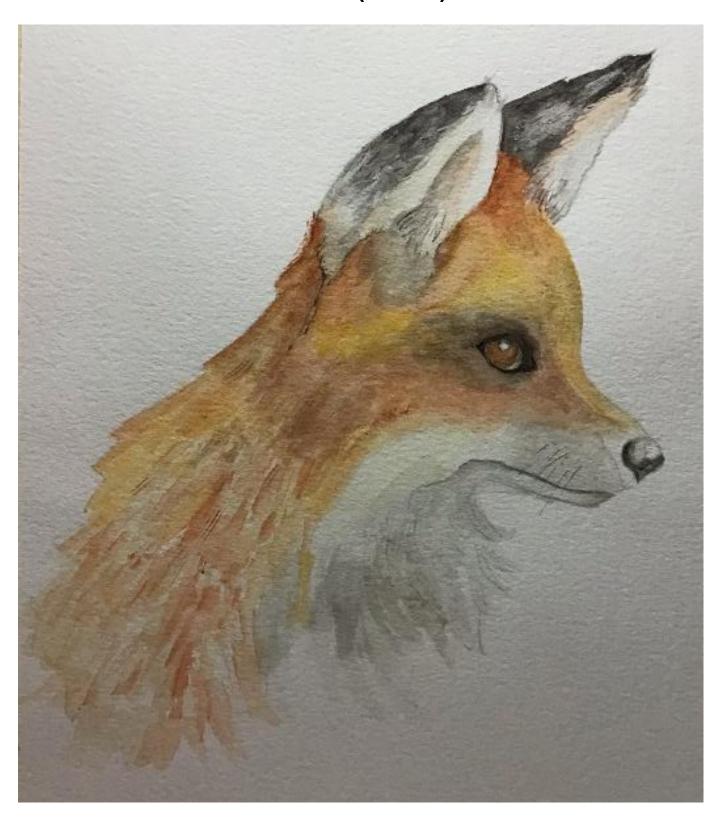




#### Pat Jenkins



# Pat Jenkins (Cont'd)



# Pat Jenkins (Cont'd)





### **Marjorie Morris**

THEN



## Marjorie Morris (Cont'd)

NOW



## Karen Pagasky



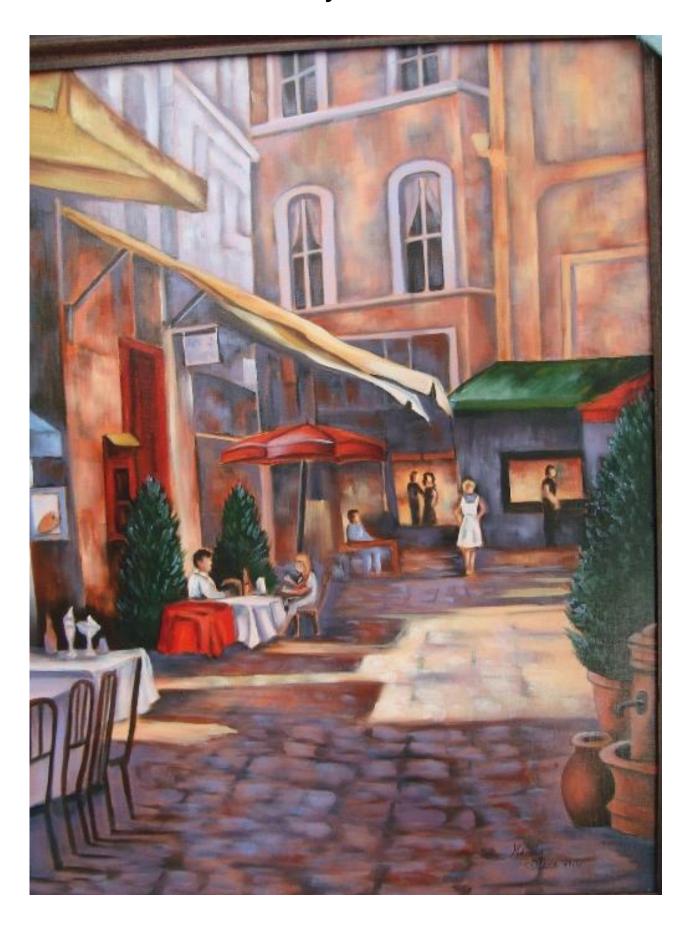
# Karen Pagasky (Cont'd)



## Monica Schallenberger



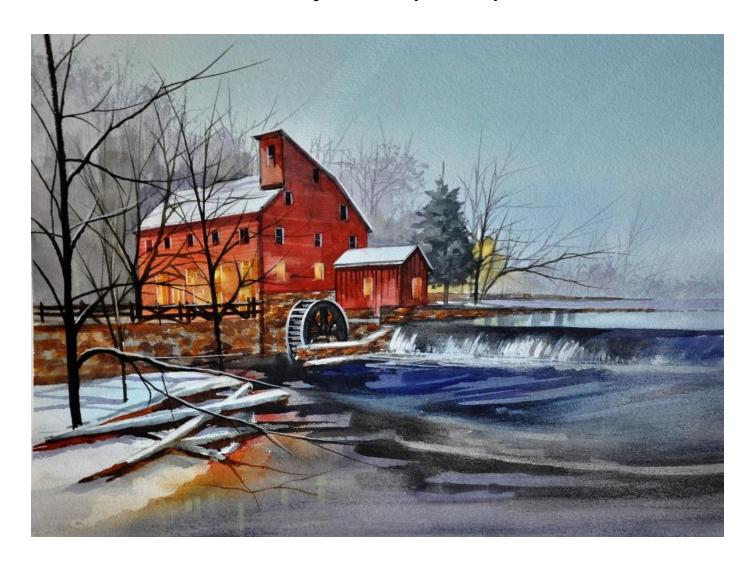
### Mandy Steele



# Mandy Steele (Cont'd)



## Mandy Steele (Cont'd)



## Rosann Wagner



# Rosann Wagner (Cont'd)



## Rosann Wagner (Cont'd)





#### **PAINTING TIPS**

To make a handy book holder, squeeze the arms of a wire coat hanger together so the book will fit inside.

Empty bottles with droppers are great for thinner, water or other painting mediums when you need just a drop in your paint

Cut a plastic squeeze bottle in half. Use the bottom half as a water container or mixing pot and the top for a funnel.

Try rubbing a raw potato on rusted metal or tin ware to remove the rust

To remove excess glue from a wood piece, dampen a soft rag in white vinegar and rub. For large amounts of glue drop on a few drops of vinegar and allow to soak for an hour before rubbing.

Mix wood filler with the color of the paint or stain to be used on the piece before filling holes.

When base painting a piece with hardware that cannot be removed you can cover the hardware with Vaseline to protect it.

If you find a dent in a board it may sometimes be fixed by putting a drop of water on it and lightly touching the wood with a steam iron to raise the spot.

To keep acrylic paint moist use a dampened coffee filter as a pallet. The filters are tough, won't shred like paper towels and are disposable.

Clip the corners off junk mail envelopes and use them as page markers by slipping them over the corner of the page. You can also write which pattern you are making on the corner for quick reference.

Stretch a wide rubber band vertically around your varnish or sealer can after opening. Use it to scrape off the excess and keep the rim of the can clean.

#### 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	FEBRUARY	MARCH
01 Gail Bodkin 25 Ellen Belisle	04 Karen Pagasky 07 Gwen Bonomo 18 Mary Ann Dunbar 25 Marjorie Morris	07 Carol D'Abruzzo 13 Mandy Steele 16 Dominique Nashed 17 Donetta Brunette 19 Pat Stepko 25 Laura Angelo
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
03 Sharon Henson 11 Eileen Bogacz 27 Debbie Miller 28 Gerry Dille	08 MaryAnn Yurus 31 Rosemarie Geer	08 Sandra Camarota 25 Rosalie Piccola 28 Linda Wyke
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
01 Marjorie Orlandini 10 Jennie Delbusso	<ul><li>02 Debbie Shillingburg</li><li>14 Linnea Ondick</li><li>20 Val Vandenberghe</li><li>26 Dolores Khalouf</li><li>Miranda Scanlon</li></ul>	16 Rosemary Habers 22 Cindie Martincic 23 Ciara Wagner 25 Sharon Livingood 28 Rosann Wagner
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
12 Pat Diettrich 26 Virg Simmons	02 Debra Valentino 09 Bill Habers 16 Monica Schallenberger 24 Ruby Dunlap 28 Joan Schneider 30 Rhonda Gillespie	07 Paulette Caldwell 09 Pat Jenkins 13 Susan Jaap 23 Judy Shuba 30 Carol Neth

#### **2019 BOARD MEMBERS**

E-V	President:	Rosann Wagner	724-745-4212
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A-NV	Nominating:		
A-NV	Parliamentarian:	Mandy Steele	304-216-8683
A-NV	Service:	Carol D'Abruzzo	412-881-1208
A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	Karen Pagasky	724-947-5290

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

#### **2020 Calendar of Events**

September 16-19 Sherry Nelson - TBA

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.

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