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Merry Christmas

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't that a nice Christmas Party. Make-it/take-it's were fun and we had some very nice gifts thanks to Town and Country sharing the items they received from Molly McKay's estate.

Plans for next year are in the works. We already plan on painting walker bags for disabled veterans in January. We will have the bags and some paint for the bags and a few patterns. If you have patriotic patters you would like to use, please bring them. Don't worry if you think the patterns may be hard, we have some great teachers in our group who are always willing to help.

I had thought this year would be the last for my animal friends projects. Removing labels and the prep of the jars is a lot of work and time. I started this in Brandy's honor then when I lost her I needed the distraction but I've had a few medical problems and thought maybe this would be the last year but after delivering the jars and seeing and being told how much these jars meant to them I'm doing them again this year so keep saving those jars. Thanks to all of you I was able to donate 256 jars full of biscuits. An additional 7 boxes of biscuits was also donated along with some dog food and treats plus 1 bag of cat food (sorry cats). Maybe this year I can collect 300 jars. I really do love painting these jars.

See you in January

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers 2021 Newsletter Editor

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello Painting friends --

Sorry I missed all of you at the Meeting-Christmas Party but life gets in the way sometimes. I want to thank the Board for taking care of the meeting as well as the Christmas Party. I understand that Rhonda did a great job subbing for me—thanks Rhonda.

It's hard to believe another year is coming to a close. The next time we meet will be 2022. Cindi has several projects in the works for next year so make sure you read the newsletters as well as attend the meetings. In January we will be doing a service project. Bill Habers has volunteered to be our Service Chairman, thanks Bill. We will be painting Walker Bags for our Veterans. This is just a small way to show our appreciation for all they have done for us.

I want to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and may you be blessed with all the good things life has to offer.

Happy Painting see you in 2022,

Rosann.

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

The basket luncheon will once again be held at the Sunset Room at Fairview on April, 24, 2022. Tickets will be available at the January Meeting. Price will be announced then.

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you were given a birdhouse or favor to paint, please bring the completed items to the meeting and give them to Karen.

Also, if you have anything you would like to donate for door prizes please bring them to the next meeting.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – Pat Jinkens

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you know of anyone who needs a card, please let Pat know.

DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

Chairman - Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman - Susan Jaap

Editor's 2¢ worth: January is Founders day and the Chapter will be supplying pizza and a cake.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: I know National doesn't send us our cards till March but if you have a paid receipt from them you can bring that as proof.

Also, if there are any changes to your info in the Membership Book let me know at the January meeting.

POINTS

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

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

RECORDING SECRETARY

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo

GTDP Chapter Meeting November 21, 2021

Meeting called to order at 12:45

2nd VP Rhonda Gillespie asked if there were any changes to the minutes as published in the newsletter. There were none and she asked for a motion to pass minutes .Bill Habers and Dolores Khalouf were first and second to approve minutes.

1st VP Cindie Martincic (absent) January – Service project scheduled. We will be painting walker bags for veterans

March - Rosemary will be teaching a Bunny Box for Easter

2nd VP – Rhonda Gillespie Reported 26 members in attendance and all dues paid.

Treasurer – Rosemary Habers Rosemary read the financial report to the members

Newsletter – Rosemary Habers All reports are due by Dec 3

Corresponding Secretary – Pat Jinkens (absent) No reports of and cards needed. Pat Diettrich was at the meeting and thanked the members for thoughtful wishes for her after her accident.

Hospitality – Susan Jaap January will be our Founders Day meeting and the Chapter will furnish pizza and a cake for the meeting. Members can bring snacks or desserts.

Ways and Means – Jeannie Delbusso 50/50 drawing won by Paulette Caldwell (\$35)

Historian – Dolores Khalouf No report but seen all day photographing the festivities.

Basket Luncheon – The Basket Luncheon will be held on April 24, 2022. Karen Pagasky will be checking on price increases for the Hall and then a discussion will be held on ticket prices. The girls asked for the return of centerpieces and favors that are still out and being painted. Please contact Mary Ann Yurus if you will like to do a basket for the luncheon.

New Business Town and Country painting chapter will be held on April 29-May 1. Dot Hoffman led the discussion for the members. The retreat will be held at Slippery Rock again and she said that the facilities were really nice and easy to maneuver around. The first meal will be lunch on Friday with three days of painting fun. She also let our members know that if you are going to retreat you can go two days earlier and sew also but meals will be on your own. A former member of our chapter has passed away and the two chapters GTDP and TCDP divided her painting treasures. Rhonda brought a lot of items today and they were distributed at the meeting. There will be items brought in January and will be used for the upcoming Basket Luncheon.

Old Business – Yearly Election for Board Members.

President: Rosann Wagner, 1st Vice President (Teacher Chair): Cindi Martincic, 2nd Vice President (Membership): Rhonda Gillespie, Recording Secretary: Laura Angelo, Treasurer: Rosemary Habers, Ways and Means: Jeanne Delbusso, Publicity: Mary Ann Yurus, Newsletter: Rosemary Habers, Corresponding Secretary: Pat Jinkens. Carol D'Abruzzo expressed a wish to change her board position from Service to Corresponding Secretary. 2nd VP tried to reach Pat Jinkens by phone but had no response. Pat will be contacted and if she decides to relinquish her position then she will send a resignation letter to the Board and Carol will be approved. Bill Habers agreed to take the Service position. Meeting adjourned at 1:30

Respectfully Submitted Laura Angelo 2021 Recording Secretary

SERVICE

Chairman - Carol D'Abruzzo -2021

Service Chairman - William Habers - 2022

The January meeting, which is January 16th, will start a new year for Service projects. With a new year comes a new chairman, Bill.

- 1. The Service project for 2022 will be painting on tote bags which will be converted into walker bags for disabled veterans. There will be bags, paint, and some patterns available, all you will need are your normal acrylic supplies. There should be enough bags should you want to do multiple but do it at home. We will be trying to retain a patriotic theme.
- 2. If you have any of the boxes handed out in January 2020, for the memory boxes at home, please bring them back to the January meeting painted or unpainted. If you would like to paint more boxes, let me know so I can see to it there are some available for you.
- 3. Rosemary decided that she no longer wishes to continue the dog service project. At least that is what she thought up until the reaction of Animal Friends volunteers when we took them over 200 jars painted and containing biscuits, 7 more boxes of biscuits, and some dog food and treats. We are back to saving jars once again. Rosemary would like everyone to pick smooth jars, which are easier to paint on, and the labels removed. Donations of food, treats, small blankets, and money would also be appreciated.

SERVICE (Cont'd)

We loaded up the truck with 17 boxes of jars plus some biscuits and food. There were approximately 12 to 15 jars per box, all painted.



SERVICE (Cont'd)

Rosemary and Bill, they're the ones on the ends, with all those jars and 2 employees



Employees loved the jars so much they put them out for display.



TREASURER

Rosemary Habers

IMPORTANT: ALL checks written for classes, dues, the Basket Luncheon, 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

The 50/50 Raffle was won by Paulette Caldwell.

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

SPECIAL NEWS

The Town and Country Decorative Painters' annual retreat, A Fairy Land, will be held April 29-May 1, 2022 at the Crestfield Camp and Conference Center near Slippery Rock. The retreat booklet and registration form can be viewed or downloaded from their website at:'

http://www.townandcountrydecorativepainters.com/retreat.html.

Classes will be at all levels and in various mediums- acrylics, oils, watercolor, and graphite. Rooms at the retreat center are very reasonable, as are the meals. If you have any questions, contact Dot Hoffman at tolebrush@aol.com.

Election Day Results

2022 ELECTED BOARD

President: Rosann Wagner

1st Vice President (Class Chair): Cindie Martincic

2nd Vice President (Membership Chair): Rhonda Gillespie

Recording Secretary: Laura Angelo

Treasurer: Rosemary Habers
Publicity: MaryAnn Yurus
Newsletter: Rosemary Habers
Ways / Means: Jeanne Delbusso
Corresponding Secretary: Pat Jinkens

2022 APPOINTED OFFICERS

Historian: Delores Khalouf Hospitality: Susan Jaap

Points System: Karen Pagasky Parliamentarian: Mandy Steele

Decorative Painting: Rhonda Gillespie Spring Basket Luncheon: Karen Pagasky

Service: Bill Habers

Fun Time With Make-It/Take-Its





Fun time with Make-It/Take-Its (Cont'd)





Fun Time With Make-It/Take-Its (Cont'd)





PROGRAM

Chairman - Cindie Martincic

March 20, 2022 Happy Easter – Rosemary Habers



A couple surprises come with it.

Price: \$15, Acrylics, normal supplies

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 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	FEBRUARY	MARCH
01 Gail Bodkin 25 Ellen Belisle	04 Karen Pagasky 18 Mary Ann Dunbar 25 Marjorie Morris	13 Mandy Steele 16 Dominique Nashed 17 Donetta Brunette 19 Pat Stepko 25 Laura Angelo 27 Carol D'Abruzzo
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
03 Sharon Henson 11 Eileen Bogacz 15 Carol Keller 23 Dot Hoffman 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	02 Debbie Shillingburg14 Linnea Ondick20 Val Vandenberghe26 Dolores KhaloufMiranda Scanlon	05 Barb Leffler 16 Rosemary Habers 22 Cindie Martincic 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	05 Amy Shelhamer07 Paulette Caldwell09 Pat Jenkins13 Susan Jaap23 Judy Shuba30 Carol Neth

2021 BOARD MEMBERS

E-V	President:	J	724-745-4212
E-V	1 st VP/Program:		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:	Pat Jinkens	724-225-6399
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:	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

2022 Calendar of Events

January 16 Service - Painting walker bags

March 20 Rosemary Habers - Easter Bunny box

May 15 TBA
July 17 TBA
September 18 TBA

November 20 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 10:00a.m. Doors open one half hour before the class start time.

Visit the Chapters website at GTDP.org