



# Golden Chatter



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**Merry Christmas  
From my home to yours**

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends

In addition to being thankful for my wonderful husband, Bill, I want to let you all know how thankful I am for all of you. You all know how passionate I am about rescue dogs and I have been asking for glass jars and food donations for my local Animal Friends. You all came through for me in a big way. I gathered 114 jars that I filled with dog biscuits and 50 baby food jars with training treats. Also donated was a 30 pound bag of dog food, 7 8-pound additional boxes of biscuits, over a dozen bags of Canine Carry-out treats, several smaller bags of dog food, 20 blankets and a bunch of other goodies. Sadly, I also donated Brandy's food treats she no longer wanted to eat in the end, food, water containers, toys and dog food. My baby girl would be happy to know she was helping her little friends too. Also donated were some bags of cat food and treats. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year I've done this and I would like to continue this "tradition" so please continue to save your jars for me.

We have another wonderful year planned. We will be painting memory boxes at the January Meeting so bring your brushes and any patterns you want to paint and paint to go with it.

We're also getting ready for our Basket Luncheon. Centerpieces and favors have been pasted out. If you finished yours bring them to the January Meeting. If you haven't finished please bring it to the March meeting.

Thank you and Merry Christmas

Rosemary Habers  
2018 Newsletter Editor  
[habersr1@aol.com](mailto:habersr1@aol.com)

## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Hello painting friends. I can't believe 2019 is coming to an end. It has been a wonderfully busy year for GTDP. Thanks to Cindi for all the fantastic classes that were presented to our members. The Christmas party was outstanding and so much fun, thanks Rose Geer-- you never disappoint us. Your hard work is greatly appreciated. I loved all the make-it-take-its and your support for all the teachers who taught that day.

Our January meeting will be our Founder's Day meeting, pizza and cake will be provided to help us celebrate the occasion. We are lucky to have two Founding members still active in our organization, so say a big hello to Pat Stepko and Sandra Camarota when you see them. Gail Bodkin is also a Founding member, and although we don't get to see Gail as often, we know what a huge role she has played in GTDP. I want to wish all of you a Blessed Christmas, Hanukkah, and a healthy Happy New Year. See you in 2020.

Happy Painting

Roseann Wagner  
2019 GTDP President

## **BASKET LUNCHEON**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

*Editor's 2¢ worth:*

*We are currently making plans for next year's Luncheon on April 19, 2020. Our Theme is "A little Birdie Told Me". Centerpieces and favors have been passed out so if possible, try to return them painted to Karen at the January Meeting or March Meeting at the latest.*

*The Board has decided to limit tickets to 140 since it was a little crowded other years when we went over this amount so you may want to let your friends and family who come to save the date now.*

*Also, it's never too early to start painting door prizes. Over half of the attendees received door prizes last year, let's go for one hundred percent this year. Remember, as announced at the November Meeting, these **door prizes must be valued at \$15 to \$20***

## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Chairman – Pat Jinkens

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Cards were sent to Mandy, Debbie Miller and Gerry Dille on the death of her husband.*

*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 our Annual Founders Meeting. The Chapter will be serving Pizza for Lunch and cake for dessert.*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

*Editor's 2¢ worth: Membership Books will be printed and distributed at the March Meeting. There will be a current 2019 Book at the Membership Table. Please mark any changes in it so we can make them in the new book. If you cannot attend the January meeting and there is a correction to be made, please contact Rosemary Habers with the correction either by e-mail, ([habersr1@aol.com](mailto:habersr1@aol.com)) or phone (412-741-5158). Thank you.*

## **POINTS**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

*Editor's 2¢ worth: The 2019 points form is published in this newsletter. Remember you only have till December 31<sup>st</sup> to submit your application.*

## **WAYS & MEANS**

Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

We had eight lucky winners at the May Meeting:

Snowman Sled donated by Rosemary Habers

Won by Debbie Miller

Sled with Candle donated by Rosemary Habers

won by Judy Shuba

Fall Plaque donated by Rosemary Habers

won by Won by Rhonda Gillespie

Tick/Tack/Toe game donated by Gerry Dille

won by Judy Shuba

Decoy donated by Carol Neth/flowers by Rosann Wagner

won by Debbie Miller

Wreath donated by Dot Hoffman

won by Judy Shuba

Mail Holder donated by Rosann Wagner

won by Debbie Miller

Pilgrims donated by Debbie Miller

won by Judy Shuba

Our 50/50 winner was Laura Angelo \$31.00

## **RECORDING SECRETARY**

Recording Secretary – Laura Angelo

GTDP Chapter Business Meeting  
November 17, 2019

Pres. Rosann Wagner called the meeting to order at 1:02. Rosann asked if there were any corrections to the minutes that were published in the October, 2019 newsletter. There were none. Sandra Camarota made a motion to accept the minutes as published and Carol D'Abruzzo seconded the motion.

Vice President- Cindi Martincic - Programs

January - service project

March - Rosemary Habers will be teaching a bunny box

May - 2 day seminar with Sandra Camarota "Pink Cosmos"

Membership - Rhonda Gillespie There were 42 members attending and 2 guests Lisa Deiley and Mr. Geer. Jeanne Delbusso winner of \$5 golden dollars

Treasurer - Rosemary Habers The report was read to the members and the membership was told that monies from the Ellen Hildebrand estate have not been released yet.

Corresponding Secretary - Pat Jinkens Cards were sent to Karen Pagasky for the passing of her brother

Hospitality - Susan Jaap For the Founders Day meeting we will have sandwich rings, pizza, and cake!

Ways and Means - Jeanne Delbusso Winners of raffles: Debbie Miller (3), Rhonda Gillespie, and Judy Shuba (4)

Winner 50/50 Laura Angelo

Service - Carol D'Abruzzo Carol reported that Baptist Gouse sent a thank you for the totes sent. In January we are going to be painting memory boxes again. Laura Angelo suggested West Penn Hospital for the recipients of those boxes. Rosemary has an ongoing relationship with her shelter and asked for jars to paint and donations such as food and treats.

Points - Karen Pagasky All point submissions are due by Dec 31

Basket Luncheon - Karen Pagasky The luncheon will be held April 19 at the Fairview Fire hall Sunset Room

Centerpieces (Birdhouses) and favors (small bird baths) were handed out at the meeting.

We are asking for painted door prizes to give away to attendees at the luncheon and let Mary Ann Yurus know if you will be donating a basket to be raffled.

RETREAT 2019 - Carol D'Abruzzo Carol thanked all who attended our final retreat in Ligonier. A profit of \$1437.48 was reported by the Treasurer.

Newsletter - Rosemary Habers Deadline Dec 1

Nominations and Election for 2020 Board Members

President - Rosann Wagner

VP-Programs - Cindi Martincic

2nd VP- Membership - Rhonda Gillespie

Recording Secretary - Laura Angelo

Treasurer - Rosemary Habers

Ways and Means - Jeanne Delbusso

Publicity - Mary Ann Yurus

Newsletter Editor - Rosemary Habers

Corresponding Secretary - Pat Jinkens

Paulette Caldwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ellen Belisle seconded the motion.

## 2020 ELECTED BOARD

President—Rosann Wagner



1<sup>st</sup> VP – Cindie Martincic



2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Rhonda Gillespie



Recording Sec: Laura Angelo



Treasurer: Rosemary Habers



Publicity – MaryAnn Yurus



Newsletter: Rosemary Habers



Ways / Means: Jeanne Delbusso



Corresponding Sec.: Pat Jinkens





## 2020 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: **Carol D'Abruzzo**



## **HOSPITALITY**

Chairman – Susan Jaap

*Editor's 2¢ worth: November is our Christmas Party and will be catered. Feel free to bring breakfast and snack munchies*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

*Editor's 2¢ worth: There are a few Membership books left so if you didn't get yours see me at the next meeting. If there is a correction to be made, please contact Rosemary Habers with the correction either by e-mail, ([habersr1@aol.com](mailto:habersr1@aol.com)) or phone (412-741-5158). Thank you.*

*Please add new member:*

*Kelly Jasko*

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*[kjasko31@gmail.com](mailto:kjasko31@gmail.com)*

## **POINTS**

Chairman – Karen Pagasky

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## PROGRAM

Chairman – Cindie Martincic

**January 19, 2020**

January is our Service Painting Project Meeting. Bring your brushes and prepare to have fun doing a useful project.

**March 15, 2020**

**Happy Easter – Rosemary Habers (Acrylic) - \$12**



A couple surprises come with it!!!

## 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

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08 Sandra Camarota  
25 Rosalie Piccola  
28 Linda Wyke

### JULY

01 Marjorie Orlandini  
10 Jennie Delbusso  
  
26 Dolores Khalouf  
Miranda Scanlon

### AUGUST

02 Debbie Shillingburg  
14 Linnea Ondick  
20 Val Vandenberghe

### 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

## SERVICE

Chairman – Carol D'Abruzzo

At January's meeting we will be painting Memory Boxes. If you have patterns that would be appropriate please bring them with you as well as the needed paint along with your normal painting supplies. Patterns of Angels and other Religious pictures are not accepted.

*Editor's 2¢ worth: 114 jars with biscuits, 50 baby food jars with training treats were delivered to Animal Friends along with dozens of boxes of biscuits, food, treats, dog supplies including toys and 20 blankets.*






## SERVICE (Cont'd)



*I started this program in Brandy's honor and even though Brandy is no longer with me I'd still like to continue painting jars and continue the project into next year. So I am still asking you to please continue to save your clean glass jars and bring them to me so I can fill them and donate to her friends at Animal Friends.*

Thank you 

**TREASURER**  
Rosemary Habers

**IMPORTANT:** ALL checks written for classes, dues, the Basket Luncheon, Retreat, any Chapter activity ***MUST*** be written to GTDP not the Chairman of the activity. 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.

	RULES	Points	Total
1	Each Board Meeting Attended	6	
2	Serving on the Board: <b>President</b> <b>Elected Officers:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> VP, 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP, Corresponding Secretary Newsletter Editor, Publicity, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Ways and Means <b>Appointed Officers:</b> Hospitality, Parliamentarian, Points System, Service, <b>Special Committees:</b> Decorative Painting Month, Nominating	25 20 10 5	
3	Chapter dues for the following year paid by December 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 (1point 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 \$5 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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	RULES	Points	Total
10	CHRISTMAS PARTY a. Chairman b. Co-Chairman c.. Donation of item to Christmas Party (1 point per \$5 value)  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>All donation points awarded are subject to Chairman's approval and validation.</b></p>	10 5 1+	
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- The "+" means additional quantities

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






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**POINTS SYSTEM FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY  
 DECEMBER 31, 2019**



## 2019 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	<b>Rosann Wagner</b>	724-745-4212
	E-V	1 <sup>st</sup> VP/Program:	<b>Cindie Martincic</b>	724-222-7449
	E-V	2 <sup>nd</sup> VP/Membership:	<b>Rhonda Gillespie</b>	724-941-0188
	E-V	Recording Secretary:	<b>Laura Angelo</b>	724-785-5592
	E-V	Treasurer:	<b>Rosemary Habers</b>	412-741-5158
	E-V	Ways and Means:	<b>Jeanne Delbusso</b>	724-941-2415
	E-V	Publicity:	<b>Mary Ann Yurus</b>	724-745-8337
	E-V	Newsletter Editor:	<b>Rosemary Habers</b>	412-741-5158
	E-V	Corresponding Secretary:	<b>Pat Jinkens</b>	724-225-6399
	A-V	Historian:	<b>Delores Khalouf</b>	412-292-1254
	A-V	Hospitality:	<b>Susan Japp</b>	724-745-5873
	A-V	Points System:	<b>Karen Pagasky</b>	724-947-5290

	A-NV	Decorative Painting Month:	<b>Rhonda Gillespie</b>	724-941-0188
	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	Retreat Chairman:	<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

## 2020 Calendar of Events

January 19	Service Project - Memory Boxes
March 15	Rosemary Habers - Easter Basket (Acrylic)
May 16-17	Sandra Camarota - Pink Cosmos (Watercolor)
July 19	TBA
September 20	TBA
November 15	TBA
	Elections
	Christmas Party
	November Meeting

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

**Sandra's May classes will start at 9:00 A.M. and the doors open at 8:30 A.M. Unless stated otherwise, all other painting classes will start at 10:00 A.M. and the doors open at 9:30.**

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