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*Wonderful class Lynne
Thank you!*

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't Lynne's class fun and informative. Watercolor isn't my specialty, so it was interesting to see Lynne's way of doing it.

May's class is another watercolor project. This one being taught by Gail Bodkin is something I've never seen before. I'm fascinated to see how to control things enough to end up with something that looks like a tree and not a mud blob. I'm especially interested since I'm a "control" painter and go absolutely spastic when I can't control exactly where each color of paint goes on. If you haven't signed up yet contact Monica right away

I'm sure all of you know Town & Country's Retreat is the end of the month, April 30th through May 4th. I've attended several there and had a lot of fun. We do have to move around with three buildings but it's very easy to do and they are close to each other. As you all know I move around in a mobility scooter so if I don't have a problem, I know you won't.

I'm also still collecting glass jars of any size for my Animal Friends Project. Many of you have already brought me jars and I am so thankful for you. I couldn't do this project without you. I have been asked by some if they could bring them to the T&C Retreat. If anyone knows where I will be, meeting, retreats, anywhere, PLEASE always feel free to bring them to me.

Thank you.
Rosemary

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Happy Spring! Everything is getting really green and the world is waking up after that long winter.

Our Basket Luncheon is in our rear window now and I'm looking forward to the rest of the year. Thank you to all our members and friends that helped in any way with the Luncheon. Another success in the books!

Let's look forward to painting at our meetings and participating in our retreat which is in the planning stages now.

I'll see you members in May. I have to go get ready for Town and Country's retreat coming up in a few weeks. I hope some of our members will be there to support Town and Countr's retreat.

Laura Angelo
2025 President

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Dolores Khalouf

Editor's 2¢ worth: Hope you all enjoyed our annual Basket Luncheon. Great job Dolores and crew. Taking care of all the details can take a lot of time. Thank you, girls for doing so.

I don't have the date for next year's Luncheon yet but I'll let everyone know as soon as I do.

While waiting you can start thinking of doing a basket and any door or raffle prizes you can donate.



We had some beautiful centerpieces.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – William Habers

A sympathy card was sent to Cindi Martincic on the death of her husband Frank. A donation was sent to St. Jude's Hospital. A second sympathy card was sent to Jeanne Delbusso on the death of her son James. A donation was given to her to handle as best needed. A third sympathy card was sent to the husband of the late Debbie Carosone on the death of her son Brad in early March. Get well cards were made available to be signed by everyone at the luncheon for Pat Diettrich. She fell and broke her hip recently.

If there is anybody you think needs a card for any reason, feel free to let me know and I will get one out as soon as I can.

DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman – Rosemarie Geer

Editor's 2¢ worth May's theme is pot luck. Bring your favorite dish and don't forget the desserts



MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: We had 31 Members pay their dues at the January Meeting. If you haven't paid yours yet see Rhonda at the March meeting to pay your 2025 dues. Dues are still \$25 per year.

A 2025 Membership Book will be available at the registration table for the March Meeting.

PROGRAM

Chairman – Monica Schallenger

A lot was learned at the Lynne Banting Seminar and a fun time was had by all.



PROGRAM (Cont'd)

Chairman – Monica Schallenger

The April class is Gail Bodkin teaching a watercolor called Sponged Landscape. The class will begin at 10 A.M. and is for all levels. The cost of the class is \$16.00. You will need brushes and a sponge. Gail will have some sponges to borrow if you need one. If you wish to attend, contact Monica as soon as possible.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Please remember if you sign up for a class you are required to pay for it even if you don't attend, The surface and pattern will be set aside for you until the next meeting if you don't have someone pick it up for you.

May 18 - Gail Bodkin (Watercolor)



PROGRAM (Cont'd)

Chairman – Monica Schallenger

July 20,2025 – Monica Schallenger (Oils)



Bridled Tit. - \$22.00.

PROGRAM (Cont'd)
Chairman – Monica Schallenberger

September 28, 2025 – Rosann Wagner



Santa and Chimney Shelf Sitter - \$20

RECORDING SECRETARY

Cindie Martincic

Golden Triangle Decorative Painters Business Meeting March 16, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 by President Laura Angelo .

Laura asked if there were any changes to the minutes as printed in the newsletter. There were none, Rhonda Gillespie made a motion to accept the printed minutes and MaryAnn Yurus second, motion carried.

Program—Monica Schallenberger—In Monica's absence Laura presented the yearly schedule.

May—Watercolor—Gail Bodkin

July —Oil—Monica Schallenberger

September—Acrylic—Rosann Wagner—please note a date change for September. Class will be September 28 instead of the third Sunday in September.

November—Christmas Party

Membership—Rhonda Gillespie—17 people were in attendance.

Treasurer—Rosemary Habers gave the Treasurer's report.

Recording Secretary—Cindi Martincic— Absent-No Report

Ways and Means—Bill Habers—Winners of the raffles were, Gail Bodin—Gnome, Jeanne Delbusso—frame and mirror. Rosann Wagner—mug, heart, Light House, Penguin, and Coasters. 50/50 was won by Rose Geer.

Publicity—Mary Ann Yurus—newspapers and periodicals have been notified of meetings and events.

Newsletter—Rosemary Habers—Deadline for the newsletter is April 4th.

Historian Dolores Khalouf— Dolores has updated the pictures on the digital frame.

Service —Jeanne Delbusso—Jeanne will look into a few new things for service.

Corresponding Secretary—Bill Habers—Card will be sent to Cindi Martincic and Deli Carosone(Debbie Carosone's husband)

Basket Luncheon—Dolores Khalouf—April 6, Theme—Easter Parade at the Fairview Fire Hall, Bridgeville. 25 Baskets so far, please bring baskets and painted door prizes to the hall.

Retreat—Laura Angelo and Jeanne Delbusso— October 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 2025 at the Crestview Conference and Camping Center in Slippery Rock. TCDP—April 30—May 4, 2025 at the Crestview Conference and Camping Center in Slippery Rock.

Laura adjourned the meeting with a motion by Rosann Wagner, second by Rhonda Gillespie, motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by Rosann Wagner.

RETREAT

Jeanne Delbuso and Laura Angelo - Chairmen

Editor's 2¢ worth Our 2025 Retreat has an official date October 22 through 26. Our Theme is "Into the Mystic." It will again be at Crestfield Conference Center. Additional information will be in future newsletters.

SERVICE

Chairman – Jeanne Delbuso

Editor's 2¢ worth It was suggested that may be memory boxes could be used for kids at the shelters rather than a tote bag.

TREASURER

Rosemary Habers

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

WAYS AND MEANS

Chairman – Bill Habers

The following are the results of the March raffles:

St. Patrick's Day Gnome	Donated by Jeanne Delbusso Won by Gail Bodkin
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Picture Frame	Donated by Rosemary Habers Won by Jeanne Delbusso
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Heart Shaped Box	Donated by Rosemary Habers Won by Rosemarie Geer
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Fireplace matches Holder	Donated by William Habers Won by Rosann Wagner
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The above 5 prize winners also received a patriotic pin donated by Rosemary Habers

Halloween Coasters	Donated by William Habers
Cosmetic Bag	Donated by Rosemary Habers Won by Rosann Wagner

Antiochian Village Mug	Donated by Dot Hoffman Won by Rosann Wagner
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Rosemarie Geer won the 50/50 raffle.

Editor's 2¢ worth; If you have anything you can donate to our raffles it will be appreciated.

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

President: Leads the meeting and ensures all Chairs do their jobs, has paperwork audited 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: Manages all monies from 4 Bank accounts, submits a year-end report, files taxes at the end of the year.

Publicity Chair: Finds newspapers or free flyers 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 Chair, publishes the minutes and any information of interest to members.

Ways and Means Chair: 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: Oversees the purchase of supplies needed for our potluck 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.

Parliamentarian: Makes sure we follow Roberts Rules of Order.

Decorative Painting Month Chair: Finds places to display artwork in October.

Spring Basket Luncheon: Chairman makes all arrangements for our Luncheon, choosing a date, meals, centerpieces, favors, door prizes and main raffle.

Service Chair: 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 Chair: 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

16 Dominique Nashed
17 Donetta Brunette
19 Pat Stepko
25 Laura Angelo

APRIL

03 Sharon Henson
11 Eileen Bogacz
15 Carol Keller
23 Dot Hoffman
27 Debbie Miller

MAY

08 Mary Ann Yurus
31 Rosemarie Geer

JUNE

08 Sandra Camarota
17 Rosemarie Lang
25 Rosalie Piccola
28 Linda Wyke

JULY

10 Jeanne Delbusso

AUGUST

02 Debbie Shillingburg
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

2025 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	Laura Angelo	724-859-8206
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	A-NV	Nominating:		
	A-NV	Parliamentarian:	Rosann Wagner	412-745-4212
	A-NV	Service:	Jeanne Delbusso	724-215-9931
	A-NV	Spring Basket Luncheon:	Dolores Khalouf	412-292-1254

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

2025 Calendar of Events

March 16	Lynn Banting	Fruit of the Vine	Watercolor
May 18	Gail Bodkin	Sponged Landscape	Watercolor
July 20	Monica Schallenberger	Bridled Tit	Oils
September 28	Rosann Wagner	Santa Claus Shelf Sitter	Acrylics
October 23 thru 26	GTDP's Annual Retreat		
November 16	Christmas Party	Elections	

Meetings are being 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.

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