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**Wonderful Class Laura
Thank you**

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wasn't Laura's class great. She's a great teacher and the project was such fun. Everyone's painting looked great. It was wonderful to see a larger attendance than what we have been having. Hope September is as good.

I hope you are all getting ready for our Retreat *October 24, 25, 26, 27, 2024. Get your Registration in as soon as possible to guarantee getting the classes you want.*

I can't believe this year is almost over. Before you know it there will be snow on the ground. After the September Meeting November 17th will be the last meeting till 2025 starts. It will be our Christmas party and Elections. If you want to run for a position, let one of the current Board Members know.

I also want to thank everyone who has brought me glass jars. Rescue animals are a passion for me and it warms my heart that so many of you bring me jars so I can paint them and fill them with treats. Animal friends really appreciate them and look forward to receiving them. Thanks again.

Thank you.

Rosemary Habers - 2024 Newsletter Editor

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

President's Message

Hello to my friends this August! Can you believe how fast the year is going?? I thought I'd check in with you while I have a few minutes to chat. I have been canning up a storm and baking loaves of zucchini bread!

Thank you all that took my class last month. It was so nice to have a big class again and everyone's Santa was beautiful. Let's keep painting at our scheduled classes and sign up for our retreat. We are going to have soooooo much fun. See you in September. I should be done canning by then. LOL!

Laura

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Dolores Khalouf

Editor's 2¢ worth: Our Annual Basket Luncheon is April 6, 2025

The basket luncheon will again be held at the Sunset Room at Fairview. Our theme this year is Easter Parade.

It's not too early to be thinking about doing a basket for next year's Luncheon. If you can do a basket, please see MaryAnn Yurus at the September Meeting.

Winter is coming and if you're snowed in and need something to do, go through your stack of painted pieces and see what you could donate to the Luncheon for door prizes. We all know we have them and if you're like me there are many collecting dust.. I've also found pieces I forgot about years ago,

This is our only fundraiser. We don't make a profit on the meals so the profits from our baskets and raffles is where we get the finances to purchase supplies for our Wounded Warrior walker bags, memory boxes donated to the Neonatal, units and are used to subsidize our educational classes.

Dolores Khalouf and her crew did a wonderful job last year and have graciously agreed to Chair next year too. Can't wait to see what they come up with. Loved the cupcakes.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – William Habers

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

DECORATIVE PAINTING MONTH

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

No Report.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman – Susan Jaap

Editor's 2¢ worth: Our September Meeting is Pot Luck, bring your favorite meal, (Don't forget the desserts). GTDP will be supplying the drinks as always. If you have an idea for a "theme" for hospitality meeting foods, please feel free to let Susan know.

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you did not pick up your 2024 Membership Book yet see me at the September meeting.

PROGRAM

Chairman – Rosann Wagner

If you would like to sign up for any class, please contact me at 724-745-4212 or rvwagner75@comcast.net

September 15, 2024 - Rosemary Habers - Bunny on a feather - \$15 acrylic



Please note that if you sign up for a class, whether you attend or not you are responsible for payment of that class. Our teachers generously donate their time and talent to help you improve your painting skills. Surfaces and supplies are expensive if the teachers don't get paid for the class they may not be able to afford to do this and there may not be any more classes.

PROGRAM (CONT'D)

Chairman – Rosann Wagner

Scenes from Laura's Midnight Santa Class

Great job Laura (Jeanne is finally painting)



Finally a larger class



RECORDING SECRETARY

Cindie Martincic
Golden Triangle Decorative Painters
July 21, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 12:50 and the minutes from the previous meeting were accepted without changes.

Rhonda asked that we wait until the November meeting for any dues to be paid for the next year. She will not be at the September meeting.

Rosann thanked Laura for the wonderful Christmas in July class, we had a good turnout and the project was beautiful.

Rosemary Habers will be teaching in September which is a bunny on a feather.

Rosann also commented on Marks class which was a great success. Everyone who attended had a wonderful time painting. Mark also donated three of his painting for our future use to be auctioned off at a later date.

There was no Ways and Means today, just the 50/50 which was won by Laura.

We all want to wish Ellen Belisle a speedy recovery with her recent health issue.

Susan thanked everyone for their contribution to the days picnic lunch and said that the September would be a Pot Luck.

Service is still accepting the walker bags and backpacks and jars for Animal Friends.

The Basket Lunch will be held on April 4th 2025 at Fairview Fire Hall and the theme will be The Easter Parade. Start thinking about making your baskets!!! Cindie called for the meeting to adjourn at 1:15 and Bill seconded the motion.

RETREAT

Chairman – The Board

There are a few corrections to the Retreat Booklet.:

Dot Hoffman: "dots" class is properly listed under the 6 hour slots but where the description is it has 4 hours please correct that.

I also spelled Dolores Khalouf's first name wrong. I have Delores, Sorry Dolores,

The Retreat booklets are published so get one and start making your plans to attend. The dates are October 24, 25, 26, and the 27th. The Theme is a Haunting We Will Go. Thursday will be registration and we will Have a Pizza Party for the evening meal and, weather permitting, a bonfire with s'mores in the evening.

Editor's 2¢ worth: Retreat-this year is October 24, 25, 26, 27, 2024 at the Crestfield Camping and Conference Center, Slipper Rock Pennsylvania. Booklets with the projects was available at the July meeting and a few copies are left. See me at the September meeting if you need one. The book is also available on line in both the "book" style and a one page format

SERVICE

Chairman – William Habers

The Service project for 2024 is small tote bags which will be filed with various item for women shelters including socks. The totes are the same material as the walker bags. This leaves the painting on the bags. Being adults, the pictures are less restricting than the backpacks. Some bags were passed out at the January meeting.

Just a reminder to everybody to bring the following to the next meeting:

1. Painted backpacks taken home at the previous meeting.
2. Walker/tote bags taken home at the previous meetings.
3. A memory box taken home at prior meetings. If anybody has a medium to large box, you can donate them to be a memory box.
4. Shelter bags taken home at the previous meeting.
5. Don't forget glass jars with their lid on them for Rosemary. Labeled and unlabeled are acceptable. Also, any clean glass jar is acceptable for us. If we cannot use any, bring it and we will recycle it for you.

Editor's 2¢ worth: We are taking donations for items for these tote bags. We need socks and personal items like toothpaste and brushes, anything you can think of for those women in the Shelters.

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 Luncheon Tickets you need to write two separate checks. Each activity is deposited into separate accounts.

WAYS & MEANS
Chairman – Jeanne Delbusso

There was no Ways and Means in July, just the 50/50 raffle which was won by Laura.

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you have anything you wish to donate to Ways & Means please bring them to Jeanne at the next meeting.

NOSTALGIA

In 1988 Marjorie Orlandini collected members favorite recipes and compiled a recipe book. The chapter charged \$6 for the book and sold every copy. Thanks to Gail Bodkin for copying some of the recipes so I could print a few in this and following Newsletters.

MICROWAVE STUFFED GREEN PEPPERS

1 lb. ground beef	1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
½ cup instant rice	1 tsp. seasoned salt
1 egg beaten	¼ tsp pepper
1 med. onion, chopped	1/3 c. water
1(15oz) can tomato sauce	1 tbsp. sugar
½ cup catsup	3 lg. green peppers halved lengthwise

Mix together ground beef, rice, egg, onion, ½ cup tomato sauce, salt and pepper. Arrange pepper halves in a 11 ¾ X 7 ½ X 1 ¾ baking dish. Fill with meat mixture, Mix together remaining tomato sauce, catsup, water and sugar. Pour over peppers. Cover with plastic wrap. Microwave on medium high (70%) for 20 to 25 minutes or until meat is no longer pink and pepper is tender. Allow to stand 5 minutes before serving. Yield: 4 to 6 servings.

MANICOTTI WITH MEAT

1(8oz) Package Manicotti	1 egg slightly beaten
1 ½ pounds ground meat	1 (10 oz) pkg. frozen chopped spinach cooked and drained
1 medium onion	1 (28oz can whole tomatoes drained and chopped
¼ c chopped fresh parsley	3 c. prepared spaghetti sauce
1 clove garlic, minced	¼ c. grated parmesan cheese
¼ tsp oregano leaves	
¼ tsp basil leaves	
1 c bread crumbs	

Prepare Manicotti according to package directions. Drain,. Cook ground meat and onion. Drain and cool,, Combine next eight ingredients with meat mixture. Fill shells equally with filling. Spread in a single layer, to with remaining sauce and sprinkle with cheese. Cover. Bake at 350 for 25 to 30 minutes or until hot and bubbly. 7 to 10 servings

Dorothy Knapick (Hoffman)

Reprinted from the Golden Platter a GTDP cookbook

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

President Leads the meeting and guarantees all Chairmen 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 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.

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

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
27 Carol D'Abruzzo

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

01 Marjorie Orlandini
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

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

2024 Calendar of Events

September 15	Rosemary Habers	Feather Painting (Rabbit)
October 24 – 27	GTDP's Annual Retreat	
November 17	Christmas Party	Elections

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