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Great Class Rosann

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Hope everyone had a wonderful time at the annual GTDP Retreat. There were great decorations, wonderful classes, good food and a great time with friends.

November is our annual Elections. A slate of officers has been listed but you can still be nominated from the floor. It's also our Christmas Party. If you haven't contacted Rhonda and let her know you are coming since it is being catered. She needs to know how much to order.

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. At the last T&C Retreat I was asked by some if they could bring them to the T&C Retreats. The answer is definitely YES!!! If anyone knows where I will be, meeting, retreats, anywhere, PLEASE always feel free to bring them to me. If you don't see me, just give them to Bill.

Thank you.
Rosemary

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Well, another retreat has come and gone, and I believe that each and every participant had a fabulous time at Slippery Rock. We are already talking about next year's retreat!

I would love to wish each and every one of the members "Happy Holidays"! Please come to the holiday party and meeting on November 16. It is election time and we need members at the meeting to vote and participate. A few of us have come forward and want to join the board and see some more positive changes in moving our chapter forward.

Laura

BASKET LUNCHEON

Chairman – Karen Pagasky and Sharon Livingood

Editor's 2¢ worth: Our 2026 Basket Luncheon will be on April 12, 2026. This year's theme will be "Tea Time".

Karen gave the centerpieces and favors out to be painted at the September Meeting. If you took one to paint, please give it to her at the November or January meeting at the latest. You can also start thinking of doing a basket and any door or raffle prizes you can donate. Our Basket Luncheon is our only fund raiser and it helps to fund our Service projects.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Chairman – William Habers

It's been a slow couple of months for mailing cards. 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

Due to illness Rosemarie must resign as Hospitality Chair. We are temporally having 2 people assume the chore of taking care of Hospitality needs at the Meetings till a new person volunteers for the position. If you would like to become our new Chairman, please contact Laura.

*Editor's 2¢ worth: November is our Christmas Party and is being catered. **IF YOU HAVE NOT NOTIFIED RHONDA YOU ARE COMING, DO IT NOW!!!!!!** Rhonda has to report the number of people to the caterer. Oh, and by the way, we can never have enough desserts brought. 🍷*

MEMBERSHIP

Chairman – Rhonda Gillespie

Editor's 2¢ worth: We will begin collecting dues for 2026 at the November meeting. Dues are still \$25.

PROGRAM

Chairman – Monica Schallenberger

There is no program scheduled for November, it's our Christmas Party

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you would like to teach a class or have a teacher you would like to have come to our Chapter let Sharon know and together you can work out a day,

RECORDING SECRETARY
Cindie Martincic
Golden Triangle Decorative Painters
Business Meeting
September 28, 2025

President Laura Angelo called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

The minutes from the previous meeting , published in the newsletter were discussed and accepted as printed.

1st Vice President — Monica Schallenberger , Monica is checking classes for the 2026 year. Several discussions were held concerning lack of participation from members and holding an Open House in July.

2nd Vice President — Rhonda Gillespie , 18 members present.

Recording Secretary— Cindi Martincic, absent, no report.

Treasurer — Rosemary Habers gave the treasurer's report and it will be put on file pending the audit.

Newsletter Editor — Rosemary Habers November 2nd is the deadline for the newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary — Bill Habers, Carol Neth is not feeling well.

Historian — Dolores Khalouf, Dolores asked Rhonda to take pictures today for the Digital Frame.

Service — Jeanne Delbusso, We will be painting tote bags for the veterans in January.

Hospitality — Christmas party in November is catered and January's meeting is the Founders Day Celebration. We need a volunteer for the March Meeting.

Parliamentarian — Rosann Wagner, no report

Ways and Means — Bill Habers. Quilt Raffle will be drawn at Retreat. There were several raffles won by Mary Ann Yurus and Debbie Miller and a 50/50 drawing won by Laura Angelo.

Basket Luncheon — The date for **Tea Time** is April 12, 2026, Karen Pagasky and Sharon Livingood have agreed to chair the Basket Luncheon. There was a discussion on centerpieces and the theme. Centerpieces and favors were passed out.

Retreat ,Laura Angelo and Jeanne Delbusso — Into the Mystic, October 23-26, 2025. The booklet was sent to all previous attendees .Activities and raffles were discussed for the Retreat. A painting by

Mark Polumchuk will be raffled at the retreat, tickets are now available. TCDP– 2026 retreat will be April 23-26, 2026. 46 people are attending our retreat.

Christmas party — Activities for the party were discussed. A \$25 painted grab bag was suggested for those who want to participate. The deadline is November 2 for your reservation for the Christmas Party. **A reservation is required!!!**

New Business — Carrie Pizer discussed getting people together to travel together to take painting classes in different areas and from different painters. She presented several local teachers and classes. More information will follow. There was a discussion on purchasing a new and easier to use camera as well as a new coffee pot.

2026 Slate of officers is as follows;

President—Monica Shallenberger

1st Vice President, Program— Sharon Livingood

2nd Vice President, Membership— Rhonda Gillespie

Recording Secretary.

Treasurer— Rosemary Habers

Ways and Means—Carrie Pizer

Corresponding Secretary—Bill Habers

Publicity—MaryAnn Yurus

Newsletter—Rosemary Habers

Hospitality

Historian —Dolores Khalouf

Elections will take place at the November Meeting. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Respectfully submitted, Rosann Wagner.

RETREAT

Jeanne Delbuso and Laura Angelo - Chairmen

Editor's 2¢ worth Our 2025 Retreat was October 23-26 and the theme of "Into the Mystic". These are some pictures of the goings on.

We had wonderful decorations.



RETREAT (Cont'd)



RETREAT (Cont'd)

Great classes



RETREAT (Cont'd)



RETREAT (Cont'd)



And good food



RETREAT (Cont'd)

Could we also have ghosts?



Editor's 2¢ worth: Mark your Calander for next year October 22-25, 2026

SERVICE

Chairman – Jeanne Delbuso

Editor's 2¢ worth: If you have a service project in mind, please let one of the Board Members know. Thanks.

SPECIAL NEWS



GTDP wants you!

Have you ever thought about being the President of an organization? Are you a party planning person? If so, then you would be perfect for Hospitality. Do you like to take notes then how about Recording Secretary? If that's you, then GTDP wants you. You can be nominated from the floor so let me know what you want to do and I'll see to it you get nominated. November is our election month. Our current Ballot has the following:

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1st Vice President, Program— Sharon Livingood
2nd Vice President, Membership— Rhonda Gillespie
Recording Secretary.
Treasurer— Rosemary Habers
Ways and Means—Carrie Pizer
Corresponding Secretary—Bill Habers
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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 AND MEANS

Chairman – Bill Habers

The wooden plate with fruit painted on that was painted and donated by Laura Angelo is still being offered to raffle at the Retreat and November meeting. The winning ticket will be pulled during the Christmas Party/November Meeting.

The following are the September meeting raffle results:

Oval Painted Box	Donated by Karen Pagasky
A Small Clock Blank	Donated by Karen Pagasky
Won by Debbie Miller	

Snowman Sled	Donated by William Habers
Christmas Tree Blanks	Donated by Karen Pagasky
Won by Mary Ann Yurus.	

Laura Angelo won the 50/50 raffle.

If anybody has anything painted or not painted, please donate them to the Ways and Means for us to raffle.

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
25 Marjorie Morris

MARCH

17 Donetta Brunette
19 Pat Stepko
25 Laura Angelo

APRIL

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

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

09 Bill Habers
16 Monica Schallenberger
24 Ruby Dunlap
30 Rhonda Gillespie

DECEMBER






07 Paulette Caldwell
09 Pat Jenkins
13 Susan Jaap
23 Judy Shuba
30 Carol Neth

There are several new members whose Birthdays I don't have yet. If your name is not listed above, please come see me at a meeting or email me with the month and day.

Thank you,
Rosemary

2025 BOARD MEMBERS

	E-V	President:	Laura Angelo	724-859-8206
	E-V	1 st VP/Program:	Monica Schallenberger	412-337-2063
	E-V	2 nd VP/Membership:	Rhonda Gillespie	412-889-5854
	E-V	Recording Secretary:	Cindie Martincic	724-222-7449
	E-V	Treasurer:	Rosemary Habers	412-741-5158
	E-V	Ways and Means:	William Habers	412-741-5158
	E-V	Publicity:	Mary Ann Yurus	724-745-8337
	E-V	Newsletter Editor:	Rosemary Habers	412-741-5158
	E-V	Corresponding Secretary:	William Habers	412-741-5158
	A-V	Historian:	Dolores Khalouf	412-292-1254

	A-V	Hospitality:	Rosemarie Geer	412-260-8364
	A-NV	Decorative Painting Month:	Rhonda Gillespie	412-889-5854
	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

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.

Visit the Chapters website at GTDP.org.