



MARCH NEWSLETTER

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Due to Easter and scheduling at Tanglewood, our next meeting is scheduled for **March 14, 2021**. Doors open at 9:30 AM and painting begins at 10.



Welcome to Spring! (Soon, anyway.) Hopefully everyone has gotten the vaccine that wants one or needs one, so that we can get together with our friends, painting or otherwise, and our extended families.

For the March 14 meeting we will be having Vocelli pizza, and, of course, salad. We will be ordering 2 Deluxe, 2 Spring, 1 Garlic Spinach, and 1 RedTop. You can go to the web site to check out the descriptions.) We will be charging \$3 per slice to cover cost of the pizza and delivery. The salad will be brought by the Board.

Members A-L are asked to bring morning snacks
M-Z are asked to bring desserts

Karen Yetter, Hospitality Chair

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



What a great time we had at our first meeting of 2021! It was so good to see those that were able to join us for painting, fun & fellowship. And let's not forget the good food we always enjoy too! The Slate of officers was presented and voted on. I thank the members that are leaving their offices for the years they have served & am look forward to working with the new slate of officers. Please consider volunteering for the Seminar Chair Position. Wendy has loads of information and past notes on doing the seminar.

Due to scheduling conflicts, our usual April meeting is being held on March 14th. Hope to see you there!

Your President, Linda Lineman
lpmchina@gmail.com



PROGRAM



Our March 14, 2021 meeting will feature this beautiful "Easter Morning." Please sign up using the form on the last page of this newsletter.

You are not registered for class until Donna Michael has received your registration and payment.

Checks must be made out to TCDP.

Deadline for registration is Friday, March 5.

Linda has 15 surfaces, so you'll want to get your registration is ASAP. Linda announced at the general meeting that you can decide not to do the entire project- do only the sunrise and risen Christ, do the sunrise and tulips, however you want, she will assist you.

If you are not painting at the March meeting, we will have more bags for VOICE that you can paint for our service project. Some of you may also like to bring your own UFOs (Un-Finished Objects) to work on. We all have some of those. You are welcome to bring your own supplies, so we can see what we are all working on!

Donna Michael & Carol Sexton
dcm2@zoominternet.net
Program Chairs

MEMBERSHIP



We had 17 in attendance at the February 6 meeting. We want to welcome Jaime Homison, Rosie Fallecker's daughter, who came as a guest and has become our newest member! We currently have 51 paid members. We hope to see you soon.

Viki Sherman
Membership Chair, vsherman@zoominternet.net



Retreat 2021

We can't wait for our upcoming retreat, A Painting Fiesta, that will be April 30-May 2, 2021 at the Crestfield Camp and Conference Center in Slippery Rock. We have seventeen registered for the retreat already. We have 3 2-bed rooms remaining, and the other rooms will be the 3-bed rooms. So don't wait too long to get your registration in. **Also remember to bring your own sheets (twin) and towels.** We are so looking forward to seeing everyone. Also I am looking for a co-chairperson to help me with next year's retreat. If you think you could lend a hand, please let know!

Rosie Fallecker rosief5@yahoo.com, Retreat Chair
Fran Deah fdeah@msn.com, Retreat Co-Chair

WAYS AND MEANS

Carol Sexton was a BIG winner at the February meeting. She won the snowman tray painted and donated by Fran Deah, the "Spring Angel" statue with candle painted and donated by Elaine Walker, the books "Cottages and Villages" and "Color Me Delicious" donated by Mollie McKay, and the books "Country Cottages and Gardens" and "Splash of Color" also donated by Mollie McKay!! I'm sure she would like to thank Vicki Kennedy's son for picking her name. Fran Deah won the "Nana's Collectables Book and the metal plate/pattern" donated by Mollie McKay, and new member, Jaime Homison, won the paint brush holder with brushes donated by Linda Lineman. Rosie Fallecker won the 50/50. Thanks to Fran Deah for taking over in my absence.



We have such generous members. Ways & Means would love to have you contribute something Spring-y to our table on March 14. The yearly raffle tickets on the beautiful table painted by Linda Lineman will be available in March, too. See you then!

Grace Fatchet, 2020 Ways & Means Chair gracefatchet@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE: You must wear a mask and practice social distancing at the meetings. If you are unable to wear a mask for that length of time, we respectfully ask you to wait until meetings are back to normal. We have members with medical issues that could put them at risk if we do not all practice safety measures. Thank you for your understanding.
Show the Love. Cover up for safety.



SERVICE REPORT

At our February meeting, we had many members paint tote bags for VOICe. They use them for toiletries and personal items. If you were unable to attend, we will have bags available at the March 14 meeting and at the Retreat. To those who have taken them home to paint, please return them by the June 6 meeting.

If you would like to donate toiletry items, VOICe will take the regular sized bottles and containers, and the Jean Purvis Health Clinic, Butler's free clinic, would love to have the small travel sized bottles.

Thank you all again for your kindness and generosity for these very important projects.

*Carol Sexton and Donna Michael, Service Chairs
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ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the newly elected 2021 officers for TCDP! You may notice that we still need a Seminar Chairman. Perhaps you and a friend could team up to do that job? You'll have as much help as you need! Please be proactive for our club. Contact Linda, lpmchina@gmail.com or 814-671-6502, if you are able to contribute.

President—Linda Lineman; First Vice Co-Presidents, Program—Donna Michael & Carol Sexton; Second Vice President, Membership—Viki Sherman; Seminar Chair—Unfilled; Recording Secretary—Fran Deah; Treasurer—Barb Leffler; Corresponding Secretary—Cathy McKain; Newsletter Editor—Dot Hoffman; Ways & Means Chair—Grace Fatchet

In addition, the following were approved by the Board as appointed officers/chairmen: Webmaster—Stephanie Perne; Parliamentarian—Dot Hoffman; Hospitality—Karen Yetter; Service—Carol Sexton & Donna Michael; Points—Marilou Grace; Retreat—Rosie Fallecker; Retreat Treasurers—Fran Deah & Jennifer Calvin; Basket Luncheon—Viki Sherman & Karen Yetter

Thank you ALL for your contributions to our club! *THANK YOU!*

Check out our web site at www.townandcountrydecorativepainters.com

January and February birthday cards were sent, along with a Thinking of You card to Marie Uncapher. If you know of anyone that would appreciate a card, whether for birthdays, get well, accident, or a word of encouragement, please contact me at 724-287-7910 or at camckain519@zoominternet.net

Cathy McKain, Corresponding Secretary



UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS



March

Sandy Cavalier
Maria Stewart

March 1
March 4

Eileen Bogacz
Elaine Walker
Dot Hoffman
Gwen McDaniel
Regina Zajac

April

April 11
April 11
April 23
April 27
April 28

FROM YOUR TREASURER

The books have been audited by board member Dot Hoffman and member Barb Leffler.

PROGRAM 2021

We still have a few spots open for teachers for 2021 membership meetings. We have nobody scheduled for June yet! We will be hosting Sandy Protzman-Cook in August for the delayed class on Calligraphy. Linda Lineman will be teaching a poinsettia class in October, but we could use another teacher. Makit-It Take-Its are scheduled for December. We need six teachers and have only 2-3 signed up. If you'd like to teach in June, October, or December, please contact Donna Michael or Carol Sexton! We'd love to have you.

NOTES FROM YOUR WEBMASTER

Check out our web site www.townandcountrydecorativepainters.com for information you need about the status of upcoming meetings, class registration, seminars, luncheons, classes and other club



activities on the web site. The retreat booklet is up as well, in case you need to access it when you don't have your paper copy!

Stephanie Perne, Webmaster stephanieperne@gmail.com

NEWS FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Wow. Thanks to all of the board members and committee chairmen for getting their reports to me in a very timely manner!

I know I have said it before, but if you haven't checked online for classes, you are missing out on some great opportunities to paint safely at home. Many classes are free, but some are just like regular classes with national teachers and are not free. I recently took a FREE rose painting class with the Queen of Decorative Painting herself, Priscilla Hauser! It's a two-part class, with the second part to be held next month. This was about 90 minutes, and we learned the structure of the rose and which strokes to use where. Did I mention it was FREE? It was through a Facebook group called CREATIVE INNOVATIONS in PAINTING. They have classes several times a week. Most of the videos of the classes are available for a week or up to a month, in case you want to go back and review. Just ask to join the group, or let me know, and I will invite you in. There have been classes on brushes- which to use when, which brands are better for types of painting- new paints, new techniques.

If you take a Zoom seminar class for which you pay, class sizes are limited and the teacher checks your progress as you go. If you don't have Zoom, just Google it and you'll find very easy instructions on how to download it- free. It will open a whole new world to you. You can paint with the likes of Louise Jackson while in your jammies in the comfort of your home. Google your favorite teacher's name, or go to their web site, to see what they are offering. They have to like this, too. They don't have to travel teach and worry about being safe on airplanes or in large crowds. You can also look some teachers up on YouTube. Take this time to practice your painting. The more you paint, the better you get. Previous editions of our newsletter have some suggestions for you. The Society of Decorative Painters is also offering Zoom seminars with nationally respected teachers.

Remember that, aside from a live seminar, when you watch the videos online, you can pause them at any time. Watch the teacher demonstrate, pause, do the steps yourself, restart. Some teachers include the video of the class with the purchase of the class!

Bear with Us is closing shop. They have been a great place to find a lot of our decorative painting supplies. They are retiring. Check out their web site for some items at <https://www.bearwithusinc.com/>

Thanks to dailyarthub.com and clipart-library.com for their free clip art this month.

...Dot Hoffman, Editor tolebrush@aol.com

Editor's Note: Perhaps the new seminar chair could plan a Zoom class with a national teacher? We really need someone to step up and be seminar chair and doing a Zoom class would be easier than finding a venue and dealing with travel.

TCDP BOARD/GENERAL MEETING Held at: Tanglewood Center

DATE: February 7, 2021 **CALLED TO ORDER AT:** 12:20 p.m. **ADJOURNED:** 12:53 p.m.

Board Members attending: Fran Deah, Linda Lineman, Viki Sherman, Dot Hoffman, Karen Yetter, Donna Michael, Carol Sexton and Rosie Fallecker

Quorum: Board meeting: 3 voting members

General Membership meeting: 1/5 of total members

-----**2020 ELECTED OFFICERS**-----

Recording Secretary – Marilou Grace

Kathy Schweikart, substituting for Marilou Grace - The minutes from the last meeting on October 4, 2020 were published in the November Newsletter. There were no corrections or additions, therefore, the minutes were accepted as published and filed.

Treasurer – Karen Schnelle

Karen Schnelle was absent. Barb Leffler presented the treasurer's report in her absence. The 2021 proposed budget was made available to the members. The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

President – Fran Deah

Fran noted that the next meeting at Tanglewood will be March 14, 2021. Since we will need to have the newsletter out as soon as possible to allow people to register for class at the March meeting, Fran asked all committee heads to get a report to Dot by Friday, February 12th. The offered project would be posted to the website as soon as possible and the registration form would be published in the newsletter.

The next scheduled board meeting is in May.

President-Elect and Seminar Chair – Wendy Cornman

Fran reminded the members that we still need someone to fill this position. Wendy has lots of information to share with anyone wanting to take over seminar.

First Vice-President and Program Chair – Linda Lineman

Linda will be teaching an Easter Sunrise project at the March 14th meeting. A picture of the project will be posted on the project page and there will be a sign-up sheet in the newsletter and on the webpage. Donna Michael and Carol Sexton will be the new Program Chairs, they added that we will also have our service bags and paint available at the March meeting if anyone would like to just come to paint. They also requested that interested teachers sign up to teach at the June meeting and October meetings. Master Calligrapher Sandy Protzman-Cook will be teaching a calligraphy class at our August meeting. And Linda Lineman will be teaching a 7" poinsettia ornament at the October meeting. Linda's ornament was accepted by Painting World Magazine and will be published in their next issue. December's meeting will be make it take its, and we will need 6 projects/teachers.

Second Vice-President and Membership Chair – Viki Sherman

Viki stated that we have 17 members here today plus one guest and 1 new member, Rosie's daughter, Jaime Homison. Our total is now 51 members.

Newsletter – Dot Hoffman

Dot requested all committee reports be sent to her by Friday for publication in the newsletter.

Ways and Means – Grace Fatchet

Grace emailed that she would not be able to attend today. Fran had 3 prize donations from Mollie McKay, Project Books and adult coloring books, and a metal tray with a winter pattern, Elaine Walker donated an angel candle statue, Linda Lineman donated a roll up brush holder with 4 brushes, and Fran donated a snowman tray.

Corresponding Secretary – Cathy McKain

Cathy sent birthday cards to Debra Laney, Viki Sherman, Rhonda Swanson, Diana Walker, Vickie Kennedy, Donna, Michael, Mary Ann Dunbar, Mary Jane Griffith. She will also send the March birthdays (Sandy Cavalier and Maria Stewart) out soon. Marie Uncapher was sent a thinking of you card. Please let Cathy know if anyone needs a card sent to them.

-----2020 APPOINTED OFFICERS-----

Parliamentarian – Dot Hoffman

Nothing to report

Hospitality – Karen Yetter

Today we celebrate Founders Day. Karen thanked all those who brought something for today's lunch. At the March meeting we will be having salad and Vocelli's Pizza. Pizza will be \$3.00 per slice. You will pay and sign up for pizza when you enter. A-L should bring morning snacks, M-Z should bring desserts. Board will provide salads.

Webmaster – Stephanie Perne

Program project and newsletter will be uploaded as soon as possible

Service – Carol Sexton and Donna Michael

Bags will be available for painting at the March meeting and at retreat. All bags should be returned by the June Meeting.

Point system Chair – Marilou Grace

Point sheets are available on the registration table and on the website. All point sheets for 2020 need to be turned in to Marilou by Friday, February 12th.

Nominations Chair - Linda Lineman

The proposed slate of officers for 2021 was read:

PRESIDENT--Linda Lineman

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT/ PROGRAM – Donna Michael and Carol Sexton

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT/ MEMBERSHIP – Viki Sherman

RECORDING SECRETARY – Fran Deah

TREASURER – Barb Leffler

SEMINAR CHAIR – open, no nominations from the floor

NEWSLETTER – Dot Hoffman

WAYS AND MEANS – Grace Fatchet

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Cathy McKain

There were no nominations from the floor for any of the offices. Each proposed officer was unanimously approved.

Linda thanked Fran and our board members for their service.

Retreat Co Chairs – Rosie Fallecker and Fran Deah

"A Painting Fiesta – Take 2, at Crestfield Camp and Conference Center – April 30, May 1 and 2, 2021

Retreat booklets were mailed in January. So far, 15 people are registered for the retreat. The 2 bed rooms are going fast but there are lots of 3 bed rooms.

Retreat Co-Treasurers – Jennifer Calvin/Fran Deah

The only expenses so far have been the booklets and postage (\$460.70) and the painting rooms at Crestfield (\$375.00)

Basket Luncheon – Viki Sherman

The theme for 2021 is "Time to Gather" and will be held November 7, 2021 at Tanglewood. Karen Yetter will cochair with Viki.

Unfinished business:

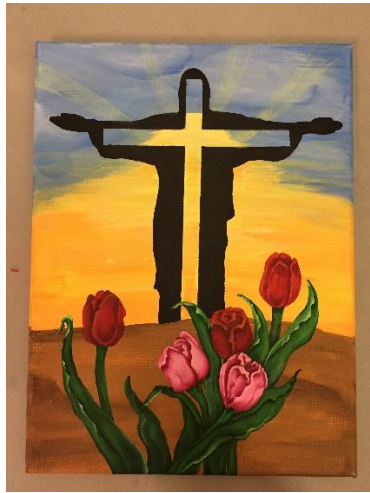
New Business: Painting World will now be able to be purchased in stores and should be out within two weeks. FYI: "Bear With Us" and "Steph's Art Studio" are closing their doors. Check out their websites for some bargains.

Respectfully submitted by: Kathy Schweikart filling in for Marilou Grace

TOWN AND COUNTRY DECORATIVE PAINTERS
MARCH 14, 2021 MEETING

For our March 14, 2021 meeting, we will have our new President Linda Lineman teaching “**Easter Morning**” with tulips done in acrylics on 9x12 canvas. Regular painting supplies will be needed for the class. You can do the painting with or without the cross and can change the colors of the tulips if you bring your own paints. You must register ahead of time for the class, as there is a limit of 15 students for the class.

The cost is \$12 for members and \$14 for non-members.



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Please complete the registration below. You will need to send your completed registration with money to Donna Michael by **March 5, 2021**. We recommend sending your registration as soon as possible, as the teacher needs time to get the surfaces and materials prepared.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Easter Morning**– Linda Lineman                      Member \$12 Guest \$14

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check number \_\_\_\_\_

**Checks should be made payable to TCDP and sent to**

**Donna Michael  
109 Stepp Road  
Sarver, PA 16055**