



September Newsletter



Our next meeting is scheduled for **September 24, 2023.**



Doors open at 9:30 AM and painting begins at 10.



Thank you to everyone who brought food items last month. Vickie and Bryson will be bringing a taco bar (beef and chicken)!!
Board members will bring toppings for tacos.

A-K Side dishes– salads, corn or rice dishes, salsa, guacamole, chips, veggies
K-Z Morning snacks, desserts

Vickie Kennedy, Hospitality Chair,
vickie.ann.kennedy@gmail.com or 724-831-8624.

From the President's Desk

It's hard to believe that summer is almost over and the kids are back to school. It's a great time to get back to painting. We still need door prizes for the basket luncheon and your painted items are always wanted at the Ways & Means table at the meetings.



I'll be teaching at Golden Triangle's retreat from October 5-8, as will several other of our members. We hope you can join us. Check out their retreat booklet and registration information at <http://www.goldentriangledecorativepainters.org/retreat.html>

Painting World Magazine and Viking Publishing will be presenting an Expo in Chattanooga next June. Check out APCEXpo.net for information.

Our next board meeting is Saturday September 9th at the Butler Library at 10:00am. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Many thanks to Barb and Carol for stepping in to be the retreat co-chairs for next year!

Your President, Linda Lineman 814-671-6502 lpmchina@gmail.com

Program



We would like to thank both Jennifer Calvin and Fran Deah for teaching at the August 6 meeting. Both projects were a lot of fun and everyone enjoyed them! And thanks to Linda Lineman for delivering our projects from June. Our painted china plates turned out beautifully! Our September 24, 2023 meeting will have two wonderful teachers and great pieces to paint. Deadline to register is September 8, 2023. See the last page of the newsletter for registration information.



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Nominations

A slate of officers for 2024 will be presented at the September meeting and voted on at the December 10, 2023 meeting. We still need some positions to be filled, including Second Vice-President Membership and Corresponding Secretary. So far we have Linda Lineman, President; Deb Laney, First Vice-President, Program; Barb Leffler, Treasurer; Mary Frances Deah as Recording Secretary; Wendy Cornman for Ways & Means; Dot Hoffman as Newsletter; and Stephanie Perne for Seminar Chair. We really need two people to step up for the open offices. If you are interested or want to know more about these positions, please contact Linda or me. We're waiting to hear from you!



Janine Stiffler, Nomination Chair
janinetionesta@aol.com

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Basket Luncheon



"Beauty in Brushes," our annual Basket Luncheon, is scheduled for November 6. Marilou Grace has the tickets, and the cost is still \$25. Contact her at jrmom@zoominternet.net or see her at the September 24 meeting. Thank you to everyone who took centerpieces to paint. We'd love to have them back at the September meeting.

We would like to have an idea of how many baskets we will have. So far, we have about ten baskets coming from the creative and talented hands of Linda, Dot & Barb, Fran, Karen S, Jennifer, the trio of Deb, Wendy, & Janine, from Elaine, Carol, Cindy, and Mary Jane. Don't forget— you should have a list of the basket items attached to the basket and have another list to turn in to us. If you didn't sign up at the August meeting with the number of your baskets and the theme, please let us know by the September meeting. Remember each basket should have at least three hand made pieces in it. Those items can be painted, sewn, crafted, etc. The value of the basket should be over \$35. We can't wait to see what you come up with. Once again, we would like to provide each attendee with a gift bag containing a painted piece. We still need a lot of these prizes. Return those to Vickie Kennedy at the September meeting. This is the club's biggest fundraiser, so please plan to be part of the fun. Thanks for your support and patience.

Mary Jane Griffith and Cindy Lamb, Basket Luncheon Co-Chairmen
john.griffith10@outlook.com, jclamb1@yahoo.com



Ways and Means

Thanks so much to everyone who donated or participated in our meeting raffle and 50/50 at the August meeting. If you are able to donate for the September 24 meeting, our theme will be anything from fall, harvest, and Thanksgiving to Christmas!

August Winners.....

50/50 Jennifer Calvin

Prize

- Bird House
- 3-legged stand/vase
- Sunflower Pen & Ink
- Screen Project
- Sea Treasures Project
- Welcome Sign

Donated by

- Sandy Cavalier
- Lynn Campbell
- Janine Stiffler
- Viki Sherman
- Karen Schnelle
- Carol Sexton

Winner

- Linda Lineman
- Lynn Campbell
- Kathy Schweikart
- Dot Hoffman
- Kathy Schweikart
- Rosie Fallecker

Look for some donated pieces with suggested projects at the upcoming meetings. Tickets for the yearly raffle of a table painted by Linda Lineman were distributed at the August meeting. If you were not there, they should have been mailed to you. Please return them by the December meeting.

Thanks again for your generosity.

Wendy Cornman, Ways & Means Chair
winburt61@yahoo.com

Don't forget that the September 24 meeting is your last chance to use your "free class coupon."

Please note that our meeting in December will be December 10, the second Sunday of the month.



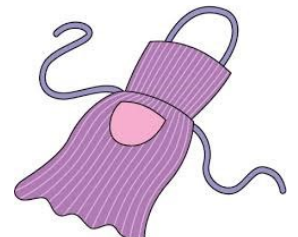
Retreat 2024



Plans are well underway for the 2024 retreat. Our theme is: **A Sweet Retreat** – Life is what you bake it, whisk me away! In addition to wonderful painting opportunities, we will have an apron painting contest with the prize being an incredibly filled baking basket! Centerpieces will include painted, raised cake plates. If you would like to get in on the fun and paint a centerpiece, call or text Barb at 724-816-9336 or email her at bleffler18@gmail.com. The teacher packets have gone out already. If you haven't gotten one but would like to submit to teach, please let us know.

Look for exciting updates in the upcoming newsletters and at the regular meetings. In the meantime, clear your calendars for April 25th-28th, 2024.

Barb Leffler and Carol Sexton
Retreat Co-chairs



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September

Barb Leffler	September 5
Jean Hunter	September 12
Margaret McGee	September 13
Jean Russ	September 16
Kathy Schweikart	September 28

October

Charlotte Rankin	October 16
Marie Uncapher	October 17
Marilou Grace	October 18
Fran Deah	October 18
Rosie Fallecker	October 25
Linda Lineman	October 29

Our deepest sympathies go out to Grace Fatchet's family and friends on her recent passing. She was a caring mom, a dedicated friends, and amazing painter and teacher, and she will be sorely missed. In her memory, TCDP is making a donation to the Freeport Library.



May thanks to Carol Fair for sharing her stash of painting and craft items at the August meeting.

Congratulations to Vickie Kennedy and her son, Bryson, who BOTH won Best of Show at the Butler Farm Show this summer! Way to go!



Cathy McKain is no longer able to continue as Corresponding Secretary. In the interim, if you know of anyone that would appreciate a card whether for birthdays, get well, accident, or a

word of encouragement, please contact Fran Deah.

Fran Deah, Recording Secretary
fdeah@msn.com

If anyone is interested in teaching a Make-It Take-It at the December meeting, please contact Donna Michael or Carol Sexton. We have a few but would like a few more!



Service

A big Thank You for your generosity for VOICe. We were able to take almost \$1000 worth of clothing and supplies to them this month. It is all so needed and appreciated.



And a reminder that we are collecting toys for the children of VOICe. For each toy you bring to the November 5 Basket Luncheon, you will get a ticket to a beautiful basket.

Blessings,

Carol Sexton and Donna Michael, Service Chairs
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First off, I'd like to apologize for the lateness of the newsletter. My computer died recently, and I had to get a new one. Getting it and then setting things up took longer than you'd want, of course, and that's with my husband doing it. He does this for a living! Sadly, I have to go find all of my cool fonts and download them again. I like my fun fonts. But my woes are giving you less time to get registered for class, since our meeting is early. So go fill it out now and mail it in!

Remember that our web site has all the latest information on meetings, classes, and upcoming events.

Check out the Golden Triangle Decorative Painters' web site to see the great classes available at their retreat October 5-8. You can take classes from your favorite teachers or from someone new. We have four of our teachers whose classes are being offered— Linda, Janine, Elaine, and Dot. They have something for everyone, and it's at Crestfield, where we have our retreat. It's hard to find in-person classes anymore. We'll see you there!

<http://www.goldentriangledecorativepainters.org>

Congratulations to our own Linda Lineman for being in the latest issue of Painting World Magazine! You can purchase a subscription and get it as an e-magazine or as a paper copy. There aren't many good magazines for us decorative painters anymore. Let's support the ones we have!

Don't forget that there are still places like Cupboard Distributing, <https://www.cdwood.com/> Viking Woodcrafts, <https://vikingwoodcrafts.com/> and Maureen Baker, <https://www.maureen-baker.com/> that have our supplies, including surfaces, paint, and brushes, in case you can't find them at our local crafts stores. decorativepaintingstore.com has e-patterns by hundreds of designers. E-patterns are the way to go these days. Need brushes? Try www.thebrushguys.com, or are you looking to get rid of some of your collection of supplies or looking for some supplies you can't find anywhere? There are Facebook groups just for that, including The Destash Group, Painter's Destash Delight, and Decorative Painters Stash for Sale.

Creative Innovations in Painting, Tole Painters Unite!!, Artfully Connected with Cindy Harrison, Society of Decorative Painters are just a few Facebook groups that offer online classes.

Don't forget that if you want to sell some of your extra surfaces, books, patterns, etc, you can set it all out at the September meeting near the back door. You can price things or ask for a donation.

Thank you to clipart-library.com and creativefabrica.com for the free clip art this month!

Stephanie Perne
Webmaster

Dot Hoffman
Newsletter Editor



TCDP GENERAL MEETING

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2023

Held at Tanglewood Senior Center Called to Order at: 11:30 a.m.

Adjourned at: 12:22 p.m.

Board members attending: Fran Deah, Barb Leffler, Linda Lineman, Carol Sexton, Viki Sherman, Dot Hoffman, Wendy Cornman, Vickie Kennedy, Marilou Grace, Jennifer Calvin, Mary Jane Griffith, and Cindy Lamb

Quorum: 1/5 of total members - QUORUM PRESENT

Recording Secretary – Fran Deah

The minutes from the last general meeting held on June 4, 2023, were published in the newsletter, which was on the website. There were no corrections or additions, and the minutes were accepted and filed.

Treasurer – Barb Leffler

There were only 2 expenses this month: Rent was \$140.00, and the Website fee was \$152.64. The treasurer's report was accepted and filed.

President – Linda Lineman

Linda welcomed all to the meeting. She said that all our plates from the June meeting turned out beautiful. They are dishwasher safe, microwave safe, and food safe. Fran congratulated her for her Halloween project in the new "Painting World" edition. She will be teaching it next October. Linda let us know that Painting World and Viking Woodcrafts will be hosting a painting expo in June 2024. It will be held in Chattanooga Tennessee, June 24 – 29, 2024.

First Vice-President and Program Co-Chairs – Donna Michael and Carol Sexton

Carol thanked Fran and Jennifer for teaching today. Next will be the September 24, 2023, meeting, which will feature Elaine Walker teaching "Three Lemons" and Mary Jane Griffith teaching "Farmer's Market." So far, she has 6 teachers for our December MITI meeting. Linda Lineman, Dot Hoffman, Wendy Cornman, Lynn Campbell, Mary Jane Griffith and Fran Deah. Deb Laney will be taking over for Donna beginning in 2024.

Second Vice President and Membership Chair – Viki Sherman (until someone fills the post)

Viki reported that there are 21 painters here today and 1 guest artist, Bryson Kennedy. His artwork is on the project table and will be entered in the Butler Farm Show. Good Luck, Bryson.

Newsletter – Dot Hoffman

Dot's computer is kaput. A new one is expected soon. The deadline remains the 20th of the month. Any of the clip art from the newsletter can be used. Carol Fair has freebies on the back table, feel free to take them.

Ways and Means – Wendy Cornman

Wendy has the tickets for our yearly raffle. Linda's beautiful "Lattice and Morning Glories" table will be raffled off at our December meeting. Everyone gets ten tickets to sell. She will have additional tickets to sell at our basket luncheon. Marilou will be keeping the table at her house and will bring it to the basket luncheon and the December meeting. Wendy thanked all who added to the Ways and Means table.

Corresponding Secretary – Cathy McKain

Carol Fair donated cards to the club for birthdays, etc. It was brought up that it has been past practice that we donate \$25.00 to the cause of choice for a deceased member. Since Grace taught classes at the Freeport Library and her obituary did not list a place for memorials, a donation will be sent to the library in her name.

Hospitality – Vickie Kennedy

Vickie will set up a taco bar for the September 24th meeting at Tanglewood.

Service Co-Chairs – Carol Sexton and Donna Michael

Carol took all of her collected donations for VOICe to them at the end of June. She received a donation receipt for approximately \$450.00 worth of donations for our files. Anyone who contributes or brings a toy to the basket luncheon will receive a ticket for a special “Wine and Cheese Basket” to be raffled off at the basket luncheon.

Point system Chair – Marilou Grace

Marilou reminded everyone that the September meeting classes will be the last time you can use your dues voucher for a free class. You must attach your voucher to your registration form when you register.

Retreat Co-Chairs – Barb Leffler and Carol Sexton

The 2024 retreat theme will be: “A Sweet Retreat” – “Life is what you bake it – Whisk me away!” Barb and Dot are hard at work planning the retreat, an apron painting contest, tiered holders for banquet centerpieces which will hold the desserts, name tags and decorations. Letters have gone out to the teachers for project submissions. If anyone would like to teach, but didn’t get a letter, please contact them.

Basket Luncheon Co-Chairs – Mary Jane Griffith and Cindy Lamb

“Beauty in Brushes” - Cindy expressed thanks for the many cards and prayers regarding her health. There are wooden etched easels on the table to be painted for banquet. She would like them back by October 15th. She was able to hold the ticket price at \$25.00. The cost for the meal alone is \$20.00 per person. She has the printed tickets and is ready to turn them over to Marilou Grace. Marilou will oversee banquet ticket sales. Vickie Kennedy said there are items on the back table to be painted for door prizes, please return them at the September meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Fran Deah, Recording Secretary

Check out our web site at www.townandcountrydecorativepainters.com

Town and Country Decorative Painters

September 24, 2023 Meeting at Tanglewood Center

Deadline to register is **Saturday, September 9, 2023**

Come and paint with us in our classes with Elaine Walker and Mary Jane Griffith. You'll love these great designs by our own teachers. **The deadline to register for classes is September 9, 2023.** You are not considered in the class until Donna Michael receives your registration form and check. Sign up now to reserve your class.



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Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please register me for: _____ "Three Lemons" taught by Elaine Walker on watercolor paper

Cost: \$19.00 for members, \$21 for non-members

_____ "To Hoe, To Hoe, I Go" taught by Mary Jane Griffith on a wood surface, Cost: \$11.00 for members, \$13 for non-members

_____ "Going to Farmer's Market" taught by Mary Jane Griffith on a wood surface, Cost: \$11.00 for members, \$13 for non-members

Check number _____

MAKE ALL CHECKS OUT TO TCDP and mail to:

Donna Michael, 109 Stepp Road, Sarver, PA 16055 by **September 9, 2023.**