

**Gateway Chapter Member Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, April 19, 2018**

**Eileen Chalk, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (Programs), called the morning meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.**

**Mickey Knutson, Secretary, called the evening meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.**

*(Janice Marsh, President, was ill and absent from both meetings).*

**Review of minutes:**

1. **Secretary** Minutes from the March meetings were accepted as posted.
2. **Secretary** There was no new correspondence nor new motions requiring action by the board. Members were made aware of a thank you note from Donna Hinden, available for all to read.
3. **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President** (Eileen Chalk) There were no motions set forward by the Board for discussion and vote by members.

**Officer Reports:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President** (Eileen Chalk): Announced areas of discussion for the meeting:

1. Voting for the open Officer Positions, Nominating Committee presented the slate.
2. Reminder that our meeting will focus on the members and less on officer reports. In order to keep members informed, important details will be shared through notes on the agenda's or by member email blast. *(The last page of the meeting agenda showed reports for officer reports not presented at the meetings, and included here as final page of meeting minutes.)*
3. Reminder about our new segment, Member Chat after Show and Tell. We are setting aside time for all members to share experiences, new techniques, or that they may have discovered or used on recent retreat or at a class. Also, this is time to share suggestions to improve our meetings, make them more informative or make some modern meeting changes for our membership. Discussions will have time limits and it is important for membership to please pay attention and listen when someone is sharing.

**Secretary at the P.M. Meeting** (Mickey Knutson) welcomed four visitors to our evening meeting, Julie, Annie, Suzanne and Becky.

**Public Relations** (Donna Beaman) Donna announced she will be collecting summer (Patriotic) themed finished needlepoint projects to display at the County Library in July. Please bring your items to the May meeting, or June luncheon. or contact Donna to make arrangements for your items.

**Treasurer** (Donna Hinden): Total bank account at end of March \$9,282.39 will be decreased when the April expenses are paid. The Treasurers report currently includes money received for the Retreat, and the Michele Roberts class. Our fiscal year ends at the end of April and all accounts will be closed and the new fiscal will start in May when the books will be turned over to our new Treasurer Kathy Scioneaux.

**Social** (Ellen Ippolito): Donna Hinden was warmly welcomed at the A.M. meeting as she has recently spent some time in the hospital. Also great to see Mary Carol Kleusner at the meeting and looking better after a bad fall. Congratulations to Judy Lewis for getting moved into her new home.

**Workshops** (Donna Beaman): Michele Roberts Pilot Class is Sunday, April 29th and there are 14 members signed up to attend. After the EGA class on Saturday the 28th, we are taking Michele out to

dinner and anyone is welcome to attend, please contact Donna Beaman. Donna Beaman is taking care of getting thank you gifts.

**Fundraising** (Stephanie Hornsby, Kathryn Nagy): Stephanie and Kathryn set up a display of logoed items still available for sale. Dime Drop was counted and \$96.00 was deposited into our bank account. They are ordering additional clip boards at \$8.00 each. The Dime Drop continues but started over at the April meeting.

### **Special Committee Reports:**

**Nominations** (Jan Poneta, Hanna Evens and Mickey Knutson): There were three openings for the Board to be installed in May. Per our Chapter Bylaws, all members had an opportunity to make nominations at our April meeting and there were no new nominations. The following positions were approved and new Board Members will be installed at our May meetings and appropriate information and books turned over by our outgoing Board Members.

**Kathy Scioneaux** has agreed to move from her position as Membership and take on the two-year commitment for Treasurer. **Nancy Feldman** will take the position of Membership and complete the one year of service that was left on Kathy's service.

**Julie Cook** will be our new Programs chair working closely with her Programs Sub-Committee of six volunteers: **Kathy Scioneaux, Eileen Chalk, Peggy Sims, Jan Poneta, Hanna Evens and Mickey Knutson.**

**Leigh Hullverson** volunteered to take on Newsletter, (which is a Board position that can be shared) and a second volunteer is needed, to work with Leigh. The newsletter is setup in a template in Word format.

**Philanthropy** (Vicki Sauter): "Pantry Pairs" was very successful at the April meetings, two large boxes of items were collected. (Pantry Pairs are items like peanut butter and jelly, tuna and mayonnaise etc.). Please remember to donate again at our May meetings.

**Spring Retreat** (Nancy Feldman): The Spring Retreat at Sign, Sunday, April 22, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, currently SOLD OUT. Nancy has a wait list in the event there are cancellations.

**Spring Luncheon** (Jan Davenport): At Barb Smiths house, Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Cost is \$20.00 pp. Menu details sent in email to everyone.

**Stitch-Away** (Hannah Evens, Jan Poneta and Kathy Scioneaux): Gathering data and possibly looking toward October 2018 or March 2019 and out-of-town or local. Hannah took a vote on two questions:

1. Would you stay overnight in a hotel if the stitch-in was held in a local hotel? Majority voted YES. It all depends on specific dates.
2. Would you prefer October or March dates? Majority favored both or either – again depending on specific dates.

Dates seemed to be more important than location. Some other options were suggested in the meeting: Aeries Resort and Winery in Grafton, IL, someplace in or near Quincy, IL, and a place in St. Genevieve. No additional details seemed to be available on these destinations.

**Unfinished Business:** No unfinished business.

**New Business:**

1. Summer Stitch-Ins: Three stitch-ins for the summer months and the following will be on the calendar with more details in the newsletter:
  - a. Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, evening. Hostess Judy Lewis, 6:00 P.M. Judy will be collecting for pizza.
  - b. July – Eileen Chalk volunteered maybe July 7 or 8, pending.
  - c. August – Hostess Kathryn Nagy, Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM until 4:00 P.M. Please carpool if possible as Kathryn lives in a cul-de-sac and parking is sparse.
2. There was no other new business.

**Notes from other Officer Reports:**

**Programs** (Eileen Chalk): No report. Julie Cook led patterns #9 and #10 for Patterns and Posies.

**Newsletter** (Judy Lewis): Articles and Advertisements are due Saturday, April 21 for the May/June newsletter.

**Membership** (Kathy Scioneaux): Kathy was absent. We currently have 62 members.

**Webmaster** (Janice Marsh): No report..

**The morning meeting was adjourned at 10:48 AM.** With motions to adjourn by Linda Lesh and Donna Hinden.

**The evening meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.** with motions to adjourn by Anne Freeman and Leigh Hulverson.

Both meetings were followed with Show and Tell, Member Chat and instructions for the Patterns and Posies project.

If any motions require a member vote during our meeting, the following chapter bylaw will be applied.

*ARTICLE VII -- Meetings:*

*Section 4. Fifteen percent (15%) of the members in good standing shall constitute a quorum.*