

Gateway Chapter American Needlepoint Guild

Morning and Evening Meetings

Thursday, February 18, 2016

The morning meeting was called to order at **10:06AM** by Co-President Charlene Wall. There were **12** members present.

The evening meeting was called to order at **6:50PM** by Co-President Charlene Wall. There were **5** members present.

Both meetings were held at Ladue Chapel.

Opening Remarks--Charlene Wall

Charlene passed around a Thank-you note from Regina Mohan. The Chapter had made a donation in memory of Helen Mohan, Regina's mother, to Friends Forever. There had been a problem with online donations to this charity. The issue has been taken care of. We received a nice letter from the head of the charity, Linda Aboussie. She also thanked us for our thoughtful gift and understanding as the issue was resolved.

Charlene also circulated an invitation from The Greater Kansas City ANG Chapter. They are hosting a Needle Arts Gala on Saturday, May 28, 2016. All needle workers are welcomed. Further information can be found in the upcoming newsletter.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Secretary's Report--Nancy Kinker

The minutes from January's morning and evening business meetings have been posted on our website. I have printed copies of both. They are here, if anyone is interested in looking at them.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

President's Report--Charlene Wall

The Nominating Committee for the April Election is in place. Janice Marsh and Judy Lewis have graciously consented to be on the committee. They will be asking members on the roster to consider filling the following 2 positions: Programs and Public Relations. These are two-year terms. Donna Hinden will continue as Treasurer for another two years. Judy Lewis will be doing the Newsletter for at least one more year. Thank-you Donna and Judy.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Committee Reports

Workshop--Kathy Scioneaux

We are looking forward to the upcoming workshop with Terry Dryden. She will be teaching the Funky Rose. A list of supplies for the March 3rd and 4th class has been sent via email to those attending. Kathy reminded us that boxed lunches from Gourmet-To-Go will be available both days for anyone who would like to eat-in. Menu choices were given in the same email. Please contact Kathy with your choices and also make arrangements for payment. The boxed lunches are \$11.00 each day. Kathy will need to know at least 24 hours ahead of time.

The Chapter is still planning to have a workshop in 2017 with National Teacher, Toni Gerdes. The date and project are yet to be determined.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Webmaster--Janice Marsh

There was no report at either meeting.

Social--Ellen Ippolito

Peggy Sims is recovering from a medical issue, and Barb Smith is recovering from surgery. Both are at home and doing well.

Sandy Blau recently celebrated a milestone birthday--80 years young!

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Philanthropy--Debbie Jacobson

There was no report at either meeting.

Treasurer--Donna Hinden

As of January 31, 2016, there is a **balance of \$11,479.00**. This figure is not a true reflection of The Chapter's financial status. A portion of this balance represents monies collected for the October 2016 Stitch-Away. The payment to Cedar Creek Lodge will be made late this summer.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Newsletter--Judy Lewis

Judy reminds everyone that articles for the March/April Newsletter are due by February 25th. The newsletter will be online March 1st.

Judy also announced that she will have an informal stitch-in on Sunday, February 21st, from 1-4PM. Please call her if you are planning to attend.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Programs--Kathy Scioneaux

There were 5 members that got together for a brainstorming session on Thursday, February 4th. Several ideas were discussed: among them, another year-long stitching project; and recruiting speakers to share their expertise with us. These speakers could either be from the membership or the community at large. Anyone with an idea for a program for next year can contact Kathy or Charlene.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Membership--Leigh Hullverson

We currently have **77 members**.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Fund Raising--Donna Beaman

The Chapter will need to find a source for fund raising for next year, especially because we are having another workshop with a National Teacher. Some potential ideas were discussed: T-shirt sales with our logo, shirts could be ordered from Lands End and the logo embroidered on. We could make project safes in different sizes, sell larger sizes of the kit and kaboodle bags, and re-explore the possibility of gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

Public Relations--Regina Mohan

There was no report at either meeting.

Old Business

Members who work or volunteer at the local needlepoint shops will ask the owners if the trifold brochures can be added to bags when customers make their purchases. More brochures are currently being printed.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting.

New Business

There will be a stitch-in at Sign of the Arrow on Sunday, April 10, 2016. Time, cost, and maximum number of places available will be announced at next month's meeting. This is always a great way to spend stitching on a Sunday afternoon. Julie and Randi have delicious snacks, attendance prizes, and goodie bags for those attending.

Several members brought projects for show and tell, as well.

There were no further items for discussion.

There were no additions to these remarks at the evening meeting. Charlene asked for motions to adjourn both meetings.

A motion to adjourn the morning meeting was made by Ellen Ippolito and seconded by Linda Lesh. The motion was carried and the meeting was **adjourned at 10:57AM**.

A motion to adjourn the evening meeting was made by Anne Freeman and seconded by Anne Carol Goldberg. The motion was carried and the meeting was **adjourned at 7:52PM**.

Both meetings were followed by a documentary film. It chronicled the life of Holocaust survivor, Esther Nisenthal Krinitz. As an adult, she created large panels with embroidery and

crewel work. She sowed detailed images of her family from 1939 to 1947. Sadly, only she and her sister survived. The panels were a powerful testament to her will to survive.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Kinker
February 23, 2016