

## **American Needlepoint Guild**

### **Gateway Chapter**

**Thursday January 19, 2017**

The morning meeting was called to order by Co-President Charlene Wall at 10:00AM. There were 12 members present.

The evening meeting was called to order by Co-President Charlene Wall at 7:00PM. There were 3 members present.

Both meetings were at Ladue Chapel.

### **President's Report**

Charlene announced that Donna Hinden fell recently, breaking her femur. She will have surgery then go to a rehab facility. There is a Get-Well card going around for Donna, please sign it.

Charlene expressed interest in exploring options for another overnight stitch away. Hanna Evens said she would help Charlene. Having another overnight stitch away was discussed at the recent Board Meeting; Charlene has the okay to gather information for another overnight. Judy Lewis asked that the Jewish High Holy Days be avoided, as well as any events planned at the local needlepoint shops. This would be national teachers coming to the shops for a weekend. At this time, there are no classes planned.

Ginger Grigsby has resigned her position as editor of the Chapter's newsletter. Ginger cited health concerns as the reason for her resignation. We wish Ginger well. We hope to see her back at meetings and chapter functions soon.

Today is the annual pot luck chili lunch. Everyone is invited to eat lunch and stay to stitch in the afternoon.

### **New Business**

Nominations for the upcoming election were announced. They are: President-Charlene Wall; Secretary-Carol Parsonage for AM and Vicki Sauter for PM (Carol and Vicki haven't fully committed at this time); Membership-Kathy Scioneaux. Kathryn Nagy and Stephanie Hornsby will stay for another year as fund raising co-chairs, Donna Beaman as Public Relations, and Janice Marsh as Webmaster. Positions still needing to be filled are: Philanthropy, Social, Workshops, and Newsletter.

In regards to the Newsletter, Judy Lewis has volunteered to go back to doing the Newsletter. This will vacate her position as Program Committee Chair. Judy explained that she could do this as she has the program for next year set. It will be a year-long project exploring a stitch each month. Judy asked that members sign up for a month to lead the program.

The Spring Retreat will be at Sign of The Arrow on Sunday April 2nd. Hanna Evans is the contact person. Cost is \$15.00. Make your checks payable to Gateway Chapter ANG. Mail or give your money to Charlene Wall. A cut-off date has not been announced. There is space for 25 stitchers.

### **Secretary's Report**

Nancy Kinker stated that the minutes from the November meetings have been posted on the website. If there are any questions, corrections, or comments, please get in touch with me.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Donna Hinden sent a copy of her report. As of December 31, 2016, there is approximately \$6300.00 in the treasury. The bill from Cedar Creek Lodge has been paid.

### **Committee Reports**

**Fund Raising--Stephanie Hornsby and Kathryn Nagy:** Kathryn gave their report. The Chapter has made between 500.00 and 600.00 dollars from all of the activities she and Stephanie set up between September and December. The most disheartening activity that we did was gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble. For two afternoons of gift wrapping we made \$61.00. Most of this was contributed by those of us who there to wrap.

There are five large project bags still available for \$30.00 each. Four of the bags sold as I was writing this section. Way to go girls!

Stephanie has contacted Pieology for fund raising dates to coincide with the dates that The Clubhouse has National Teachers coming. Those dates are: February 4, 5, and 6; and March 3, 4, 5, and 6. Flyers will be available at the Clubhouse prior to and on the days listed. Remember that in order for the Chapter to receive credit, the flyer must be presented when the order is placed. Stephanie is in the process of contacting Deer Creek Coffee, Companion Bread, Panera Bread, and Gourmet-To-Go to see if they would be willing to do fund raising with us on Sunday, April 2nd when we have our Spring Retreat at The Sign of The Arrow.

Some other options that were discussed included selling raffle tickets for donated items, having the massage therapist return on April 2nd, or adding another round of monogrammed gifts. Judy Lewis wondered if anything could be done for Mother's Day and graduations.

Kathryn did not think that there would be enough time to take orders, and return them in time. She and Stephanie may have to get a different vendor, as the one that was used in the fall was not totally reliable.

**Membership--Leigh Hullverson:** Leigh was not at either meeting. Members counted from the fall roster shows that there are currently 67 members.

**Newsletter--**Charlene and Judy will work on publishing a newsletter. They hope to have it out by February 1st. Thereafter, Judy will return to doing the newsletter.

**Programs--Judy Lewis:** Judy Harper will not be able to lead the program today. She was to have lent her many years of experience to give advice to members that might have questions about their projects. Judy would have been able to give pointers regarding stitches, threads, and colors. We will continue on with the program, only having individual members give their opinions.

The programs for February and March have met with a similar fate. The member that was to lead the Bargello project has had a scheduling conflict and will not be able to participate. In planning for this program, Judy Lewis sent out an e-blast, asking members if they were intending to stitch this project. Judy had very little response, with only 5 members indicating that wanted to stitch this project.

Judy will offer a line drawn canvas of a tic-tac-toe board. This is a project from Linda Burkhardt. Many of us are familiar with Linda and the stitch guides that she creates for her projects. Judy estimates that the projected cost will be between ten and eleven dollars. Further information will appear in the newsletter. Judy also plans to send out an eblast.

**Philanthropy--**Position is currently vacant. Judy Lewis will continue to collect the courtesy items that hotels provide for their guests. Judy will take these items to her Temple, and those items will be dispersed from there.

**Public Relations--Donna Beaman:** Donna is still trying to obtain photo releases from members that were in the photo of our magnetic board project that was done in September. When she has all of the signatures, the picture and an accompanying article will be submitted to [Needlepointers](#).

**Social--Ellen Ippolito:** Ellen will not be serving as the Social Chair for the next two years. Ellen said that a card will be sent to Donna Hinden. She asked for prayers for Maribel Knickerbocker who was in a traffic accident (she is doing okay), and for Mickey Knudsen, whose mother is ill. Ellen also mentioned the recent passing of long time member Ede Heard. Ellen has been in charge of planning the annual Spring Luncheon.

**Webmaster--Janice Marsh:** Janice was not present at either meeting. She had no report.

**Workshops--Jan Poneta:** Jan was not at either meeting. She had no report.

Charlene asked for a motion to adjourn the morning meeting. It was made by Linda Lesh and seconded by Ellen Ippolito. There was no discussion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15AM.

Charlene asked for a motion to adjourn the evening meeting. It was made by Judy Lewis and seconded by Vicki Sauter. There was no discussion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM.

**Addendum--**I was not at the evening meeting. Charlene read committee reports from this morning's meeting to the three members that were there. There were no additions to the morning meeting minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Kinker  
January 29, 2017