

## Gateway Chapter Monthly Meeting

Thursday, November 20, 2014

Morning meeting was called to order at 10:03 a. m. Evening meeting: 7:06

**Secretary** (Charlene Wall) **Report:** Nancy Feldman took the October minute (thank you, Nancy). Charlene made the motion that they be accepted as they stand. Mary Carol seconded the motion and it was carried.

**President** (Donna Beaman) **Report:** Donna offered to present her report with the Workshop report as well as new business.

### Committee Reports:

**Workshops** (Donna Beaman, acting) **Report:** In lieu of a Workshop, we are having a Special Event in the Spring of 2015. This will consist of a class taught by Debbie Jacobson – Sarah’s Pillow – a needlepoint pillow designed by Debbie’s late daughter, Sarah. This pillow will have one large, padded initial stitched with silk ribbon and with a Bargello background of many threads. The Chapter will pay for the blank canvas and Judy Harper is donating the painting of the initials. Members taking the class will only pay for the cost of the threads used, which will vary depending on the colors and thread types chosen. The class is scheduled for Sunday, March 22, 2015, and will be held at The Needlepoint Clubhouse. The class is going to be limited to 20 members, and Debbie has asked that all attending have their canvases painted and threads chosen before class. The design will be 8”x8” on a 12”x12” 18 count canvas (no exceptions on the size or count). The canvas may be white or colored. If Debbie is unavailable for thread choices, Judy Harper is an excellent resource. There will be a sample available at the store for guidance.

Donna is working on a Jill Rigoli workshop for the fall of 2015. She has been on line looking at Jill’s canvasses. Members are encouraged to check out her website – Danji.com.

**Sunshine** (Ellen Ippolito) **Report:** Ellen is not feeling well and could use some sunshine herself.

**Webmaster** (Janice Marsh) **Report:** As always, Janice asks if there are corrections, additions needed to be made on the website, please call or e-mail her.

**Philanthropy** (Debbie Jacobson) **Report:** Debbie Jacobson has scheduled a Holiday Party at her house on Thursday evening, Dec.11, in support of our Philanthropy effort. The teacher receiving the books for her class will be at this event. Members attending are asked to bring books for the Kindergarten class, or a donation to buy books. Cost for the event is \$15.00 which will go toward Jennifer (our sponsored teacher). Debbie will provide chili, salad, and drinks. An ugly holiday sweater contest will also be held. Please RSVP to Regina by December 8<sup>th</sup>.

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**Treasurer (Donna Hinden) Report:** Balance as of end of September was \$5,584.44 with inflow of \$967.05. Expenses of \$399.80 were reported leaving a balance of \$6151.69 end of October. Complete report is attached.

**Newsletter (Judy Lewis) Report:** July needs input for the January newsletter by end of December.

**Membership (Kathryn Nagy) Report:** Two new members listed are Judy Rau and Anita Schwartz, bringing our total membership to 78. Please check the newsletter for those owing dues.

**Fundraising (Nancy Kinker) Report:** Project bags were handed out to those who ordered them. After January, the design will be a different design. Bags are \$22.00. There is one maroon example bag that can be purchased. Please call Nancy if you are interested in the maroon bag or another variation. Judy Lewis is looking into the clipboard/marker board for sale.

**Public Relations (Regina Mohan) Report:** Regina was not present and there is no report.

**Programs (Mary Brooke Mohan) Report:** Finished items were shown. Leigh took pictures to get to Judy Lewis for the newsletter. All projects were breathtaking. After old and new business, Mary Brooke gave some tips for the ort bag.

**Old Business:** December 13<sup>th</sup> stitch-in at Jan Zimmerman's. Others have offered to have stitch-ins at their homes throughout the year, not only in the summer. Kathryn reminded membership that we have the church room for the day and that she would like to have more time stitching. The January morning meeting will end with lunch being served and stitching all afternoon. There is no January evening meeting. Charlene will bring chili, Jan Leiberman will bring in salad. Donna Beaman will bring spoons, bowls, and napkins.

**New Business:** Elections will need to be held next year. The elections will be held in April. If you would like to serve on the nominating committee, or would like to add your name to the pot, please call Charlene Wall 636-256-0379. The committee's first meeting will be Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p. m. at Charlene Wall's home. Positions open for the coming year are: President, Membership, and Secretary.

Debbie Jacobson moved that the morning meeting be adjourned. Nancy seconded the motion which was carried. The morning meeting ended at 10:48 a. m. The evening meeting ended at 7:30 after a motion to adjourn by Mary Brooke which was seconded by Judy Harper.

Respectfully submitted by Charlene Wall