

Gateway Chapter Member Meeting Notes Thursday, October 18, 2018

President Janice Marsh called the meetings to order:

Morning meeting: 10:07 A.M. CDT. Evening meeting: 6:34 P.M. CDT

Janice welcomed new members: Angie Kuhland and Lynn Hamilton

Review of minutes (Secretary-Mickey Knutson):

1. No changes to the minutes from the September 2018 meeting and they are approved.
2. There was no correspondence to share and no motions or actions by the Board to be presented.
3. No motions from the Board for discussion and vote by the members.

Officer Reports:

President (Janice Marsh): This meeting included significant reports from officers, committee chairmen and special committee chairmen:

1. Reports from officers

- a. **Treasurer** (Kathy Scioneaux): We have \$9,538.25 in the Chapter account, current at the end of September. We have \$2,000.00 earmarked for a national teacher in spring of 2019 and after that we would still have a balance over \$6,000.00. Copies of our financial reports are always available for all members upon request.
- b. **Membership** (Nancy Feldman): We have a membership of 64 and welcomed Lynn and Angie who joined this month. The new rosters were distributed to members in September. Once again, Nancy reminded us that National ANG has come out with a new electronic system for registering as a new member and it is recommended that everyone register themselves on line. Written directions for doing this are available from President, Janice Marsh.

Beginning with our January 2019 meetings it is recommended that everyone wear a name badge that they have stitched. For those not wearing a handmade name badge there will be a \$1.00 fine that will go to the Chapter account. (This rule is in our Chapter bylaws and is being enforced again.)

- c. **Fundraising** (Stephanie Hornsby, Kathryn Nagy): We are continuing with the Dime Drop jug which is available at all meetings and chapter functions. Several logoed items are for sale which include clip boards, key chains, coasters, wine glasses, zip bags and binders. Sign up sheets available for placing orders. In conjunction with our "Hooray for the Red, White and Blue" project coming up in January they will have ½" white binders (\$8.00),

3 ring pencil cases (\$7.00) in red and blue available. Sign up sheets available for ordering these items or contact Stephanie or Kathryn.

- d. **Stitch-Away** (Kathy Scioneaux): We will have our next Stitch-Away at Cedar Creek Resort in New Haven, MO, October 13, 14, 15, 2019. Registration forms available from Kathy. This event is for MEMBERS ONLY. Two nights lodging and five meals, double occupancy \$303.00 and single occupancy \$355.00. Two options available for payment:
 - 1. Full payment payable by November 15, 2018
 - 2. Two installments, the first payable by November 15, 2018 (\$100.00 NON-REFUNDABLE) with balance due on May 16, 2019. Make checks payable to Gateway Chapter ANG.
- e. **Fall Retreat:** (Jan Poneta) The fall retreat will be held at the Needlepoint Clubhouse, Sunday, October 21st, 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Cost is \$20.00, currently have 23 signed up with a max of 25.
- f. **Spring Retreat:** Peggy Sims (Absent in October) volunteered to organize the spring retreat which will be held at Sign of the Arrow. Details to be determined.

2. Reports (5-minute recaps)

- a. **Social** (Ellen Ippolito absent): Janice reported that Hanna Evens will be a great-grandmother in March. Mary Carol having shoulder replacement surgery Wednesday the 24th.
- b. **Public Relations** (Donna Beaman): We have space reserved at two libraries next year. The theme will be a Spring Preview at the Sachs library in west county and Donna needs spring themed pieces to display. Headquarters library will be themed Christmas in July and this will include Christmas and Hanukkah items. These displays will give everyone an opportunity to showcase the beautiful work we do and also you will have your pieces back when you want to display them in your home for those seasons. Please contact Donna Beaman or bring your items to one of the next meetings for Donna to use in the displays.
- c. **Workshops** (Stephanie Hornsby): Based on our member vote at the September meetings the two most popular pieces were Pumpkins by Jennifer Riefenberg and the Wright Kimono by Toni Gerdes. Toni is not available in 2019 so we are trying to get Jennifer 2019 and Toni in 2020.
- d. **Philanthropy** (Vicki Sauter): We will continue to donate birthday items to Circle of Concern food pantry in Valley Park. The birthday donations can be cake mixes, frosting, paper plates/napkins and items that would be used to celebrate a birthday. Members are asked to donate birthday and or requested items at each of our monthly meetings. Vicki has offered to put together Birthday Bags and deliver them to Circle of Concern and will accept monetary donations for this cause.

- e. **Newsletter** (Leigh Hullverson): The September/October issue is out and has been delivered electronically to all members who have an email address in the chapter directory. For those members who do not show an email address we will mail hard copies, black and white only. The newsletter is also available on our web site. Items for the next newsletter should be submitted to Leigh by mid-October, definitely before the end of the month. It is responsibility of each Board Member to contribute articles.
- f. **Programs** (Julie Cook): Julie explained the UFO procedure for new members and contracts are still available for the next year. Projects must be complete by next September, if not, the member will owe our chapter \$10.00. Nancy Kinker was presented with a \$25.00 gift card to the shop of her choice.

Julie also summarized and reviewed the projects for this year as outlined in the September minutes.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Still finalizing plans for our joint meeting/pot luck dinner with EGA and ANG in January 2019. EGA members are available the evening of January 17th.

New Business:

- 1. Judy Lewis has offered her home for a group stitch-in, in December. We do not have meetings in December. Judy will finalize a date, possibly December 13th.
- 2. Judy Lewis suggested the Guild donate \$100.00 to Circle of Concern, or another food bank as a special donation in December. TBD.

Adjourn the meeting:

Any member is eligible to move to adjourn the meeting (requires a second and a majority vote) or President can call for further business and can adjourn the meeting

Morning meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M. CDT and the evening meeting adjourned 7:10 P.M. CDT

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.

Additional Officer Reports: None at this time.

Committee Reports:

Webmaster (Janice Marsh): No report.

Special Committee Reports

1. **Preserve History** (Linda Lesh and Julie Cook): Update on committee progress was not reported at the October meetings.

Future events:

1. **New meeting, Thursday November 15** -- Purchase your instructions for the *Hooray for the Red, White, and Blue* project that starts in January.
2. **Stitch-Away** – Consider signing up for the October 2019 retreat.

Notes submitted by Mickey Knutson, Secretary.