

GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS
MEETING MINUTES - FEBRUARY 7, 2010

Gloria called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. All board members were present. Gloria welcomed all members and guests. Ginger German gave the invocation.

Gloria asked if there were any corrections to the November or December minutes as printed in the Newsletter. Hearing no corrections, these minutes are approved as printed.

Gloria asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasurer's Report, as printed in the Newsletter. Hearing no questions, the Treasurer's Report will be filed.

Gloria mentioned that she has a Volunteer List and if anyone is interested in volunteering to serve on any of the committees to see her after the meeting. We are in need of a Parliamentarian and another person to serve on the Gold Brush Committee.

The board has recommended that we donate \$100.00 to the DAC again this year. Millie Johnson made a motion that we donate \$100.00 to the DAC. This was seconded by Dixie Reeb. Motion carried.

If anyone is considering doing a demonstration of Decorative Painting this year, we have a DVD you can show and also a script provided by SDP. We all need to do our part to try and gain members for SDP. Without SDP, we wouldn't have the wonderful magazine, the conference to go to each year, and the opportunities to learn. It is important that we all keep this in mind.

Should our chapter give a donation to SDP again this year? With the donation last year, we were able to save 10% on a one time purchase from national and this saved us \$60.00 on our service awards. Dottie Baumgartner made a motion to make a donation of \$125.00 to SDP. This was seconded by Sue Struckhoff. Motion carried.

Donna Wessel will attend the Chapters' Conference in Wichita this year as a representative of our chapter. A deposit has been sent in to have a table at the Chapters' Marketplace. We thought this would be a good opportunity to sell chances on the pieces that Maureen McNaughton-Calvert painted during the January Seminar. Maureen has given us permission to do what ever we wanted with the pieces to help make money for our chapter. We thought we could also paint and sell some Jamie Mills Price pins at the table. Gloria will have a workshop at her studio to paint the pins. Donna Wessel and Cheryl Wilburn have volunteered to take care of the chapter table. If anyone else would like to help at the table, please let Donna know.

Lorie Reece has some fliers made up with pictures of Maureen's pieces and a form to fill out at the bottom. You can get these from her and sell chances to your family and friends. We will have the drawing at the September meeting.

Gloria presented the Chapter Service Awards for 2009, with Mary Jo Kumer's help in

passing these out to the members.

Jim Lair gave a report on Retreat. It will be held on October 29, 30 and 31 at Trout Lodge again. This year's theme is "Fall in Love with Decorative Painting". Forms are available for teachers. This year, the teachers for Make-It-Take-It projects will get paid \$25.00 plus the supplies they charge for.. The Make-It-Take-It Projects will be voted on at the June meeting. The regular class projects will be voted on at the April meeting.

We will continue to support Turning Point, River Bend Animal Shelter, the USO and the Memory Box Program. Last year, we donated \$5927.33 in materials and \$135.00 in cash to Turning Point. In 2009 for River Bend, we donated \$1320.01 in materials and \$860.00 in cash. In 2009, we shipped 658 Memory Boxes. For this program, we took in \$2781.65 and spent \$1562.13, leaving us with a balance of \$1219.52 for this year.

Lorie Reece said that the 2010 Directories are available at today's meeting. She said the up-coming seminars and workshops are listed in the directories. Karen Steiner will be doing a workshop on April 24th and projects are on display to vote on. The cost of the workshop is \$15.00 plus \$10.00 for supplies.

Ellen Rohne will be teaching a Santa Ornament after the meeting today. Cost is \$3.00. Barb Ogden will be teaching a paint-in after the April meeting.

Janelle Johnson will be teaching a color pencil seminar on July 30th, 31st and August 1st. Friday's class is a one day project and Saturday and Sunday is a two-day project.

We have Joanne MacVey scheduled for a seminar on June 26th, 27th and 28th. If you are interested in this seminar, you must take the first day, as she will be going over the paints and strokes used for the seminar. The cost is \$45.00 per day.

Dixie Reeb suggested that the Chapter contribute money towards seminar fees as she thought the cost of our seminars were too high and that maybe more people would sign up if the costs were lower. The Illinois chapter's seminars have always been much lower than Gateways. There was much discussion regarding the pros and cons of Gateway doing this.

Lorie Reece and Mary Jo Kumer showed the projects that members brought in for "Show and Tell"

Lorie said she needs two more teachers for paint-ins after our meetings. Vada Galvan volunteered for the June meeting. Gloria Falk will be doing a Sharing Workshop later this year...

Gloria mentioned that she will be ordering Athena Brushes again at the 40% discount. See her after the meeting if you are interested in purchasing these.

Ingrid Oertli advised that the deadline for the next Newsletter will be March 14th.

Jo Lair reported that we have 47 members present today and 2 guests. Today's door prizes were donated by Donna Wessel and Ellen Rohne. Winners of the door prizes were: Bobbie Hanlan, Jean Rogenhofer, Jeanne Abraham and Marilyn McDonald.

Gloria announced that Josee Laferriere was in the hospital with pneumonia. Also, Marilyn Hartnett's sister is not doing well.

Donna Wessel mentioned that she has books, pattern packets, jewelry and some brushes for sale at the chapter's table.

We also have a table full of books that are free to members. These were donated to us by Mary Messmer's husband.

Jean Ellison thanked the South County Girls for the refreshments today. She said they painted the Memory Boxes used as today's centerpieces. She also challenged other refreshment groups to paint Memory Boxes instead of centerpieces.

Jo Lair announced that she is hosting a Dorothy Dent Seminar in May and has fliers available if interested.

Ellen Rohne said that her daughter-in-law is doing much better now and thanked everyone for their donations and prayers.

With no further business, Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Judy Sloan. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Rogenhofer
Recording Secretary .