

GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2010

Gloria started the meeting at 1:05 p.m. All board members were in attendance. Ginger German gave the invocation. Gloria welcomed all members and guests.

Gloria asked if there were any corrections to the April minutes, as printed in the Newsletter. Hearing no corrections, the minutes will stand 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.

The Gold Brush Award Committee is in need of several volunteers from the chapter's membership. See Gloria after the meeting if you are interested.

The Paint for Freedom cards were on display at the Wichita Conference and it was an awesome sight to see how many cards had been painted. Gloria is still waiting to hear from the USO on the two cards that the chapter has left.

Kay Vuichard and Donna Wessel attended the Chapter's Gathering this year. Kay gave a report on "Increasing Membership and Attendance". Then Donna reported on "How to get members involved in the chapter". Donna also participated in the exchange of trinkets at the Gathering and showed a display of the various items she received.

Donna Wessel, Cheryll Wilburn and Jacqui Fowler worked our table at the Chapter's Marketplace in Wichita. They said lots of people attended this event. We only collected \$106.00 on raffle tickets for the Maureen McNaughton pieces. Sales on the painted pins totaled \$348.00 To date, however, after member purchases, pin sales total \$431.34.

Jim Lair gave a report on Retreat. Retreat Booklets are now available for those people who ordered them. They are also available on line. Barb Ogden offered to print copies off for anyone who does not have the internet for 7 cents per page, to cover her cost. Jim mentioned that a stamped, self-addressed envelope should be submitted with your registration form. The deadline for room reservations at Trout Lodge is June 30th. The Retreat

reservations should be in by August 15th. Retreat dates are October 29th, 30th and 31st.

The projects submitted for “make-it-take-its” are on display today and should be voted on after the meeting.

Mary Jo Kumer gave a report on Memory Boxes. The June MB paint-in was a bunny and flowers, taught by Marilyn McDonald. The next paint-in will be July 6th and Barb Ogden will be teaching flowers and a butterfly. Ginger German will be teaching a Rocking Horse at the August paint-in. We are still looking for someone to teach in September. Kay Vuichard will be teaching a Snail in October, We will not have a paint-in in November, but in December, Gloria will teach a floral. To date, we have mailed or delivered 272 boxes. We have boxes available to those wishing to take home and paint.

The Maryland Heights Center has openings next year for our chapter to display artwork during a six -week period. Gloria is still checking this out and will have more details at the next meeting.

Lorie Reece told about the “Opportunities of Ownership” chances available. She has sheets available for members to try to sell chances on these. The sheets have colored pictures of Maureen’s pieces.

Vada Galvan will be teaching a butterfly pin after today’s meeting. The cost is \$3.00.

Joanne MacVey’s stroke work seminar is scheduled for June 26th, 27th and 28th. It will be held at Gloria’s studio. Lorie has the supply list for those taking this seminar.

Janelle Johnson’s Seminar is July 30th, 31st and August 1st. This seminar will be held at Wingate Inn and all classes have been filled. We have 26 in each class. Lorie has the paper available for Janelle’s seminar. Checks for the paper should be made out to Janelle Johnson, not Gateway.

Gloria Falk’s Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, September 25th. The cost for the Workshop is \$15.00 for the day. The project cost will be about \$20.00. The project is on display at the sign-up table.

Those people taking Janelle's two-day project will need to do homework before the class. Please refer to your instruction sheets. Also, the papers for both classes should be mounted to sturdy cardboard or board. A clip board could probably be used for the bird picture.

Lorie said to let her know if you need any of the colored pencils. She will be glad to pick them up for you.

Lorie and Mary Jo showed the projects brought in for Show and Tell. Barb Ogden had a display of projects she will be teaching at the Kirkwood Shop. Jo Lair had paintings on display for the Mary Carole Seminar on Labor Day Week-end.

Jo Lair reported that we have 72 current members. We have 46 members present today. The basket centerpieces were won by: Donna Wessel, Margaret Von Kaenel, Sue Struckhoff, Debbie Finklang, Mary Jo Kumer, Vada Galvan, Jean Rogenhofer, Martha White, Elizabeth McClintock, Kay Vuichard, Liz Geers, Ingrid Oertli, and Joyce Miller. The cloths in the baskets were embroidered by Delia Larkins. Linda Nelson won the Cookbook attendance prize that the Illinois chapter gave to Gateway for taking their cookbooks to sell at the Chapter's Marketplace held at the Wichita Conference.. Bobbie Hanlon also won an attendance prize.

The Illinois chapter still has Cookbooks available for \$12.00 each.

Karen Steiner thanked everyone who took her Workshop on the Lighthouse painted on tile. She said she has patterns of other lighthouse and if anyone is interested to see her after the meeting.

Ingrid Oertli advised that the next Newsletter deadline is August 20th. She mentioned that the Maureen McNaughton Butterfly Pattern Packet that she checked out at the last meeting disappeared. She thought that maybe someone might have picked it up to look at it and it accidentally got mixed up with their supplies. She would appreciate if everyone would check through their things and return it to the chapter library if they find it.

Donna said she has books, patches and pins available at the chapter table.

Jo Lair mentioned that the oil painting for her next paint-in at the Maryland Heights Center is on display at today's meeting.

Cheryll Wilburn reminded everyone that we are in need of nominations for officers to be elected at the November meeting.

Jean Ellison thanked this month's refreshment committee for all the good food today. She asked if someone at each table could fold up the tablecloths after the meeting, that would be a big help. The Galvanettes will provide the refreshments for the September meeting.

Gloria announced that Sandra Reynolds has just opened up a new studio in Columbia, Illinois, and asked Sandra to tell us about it. Sandra talked about her studio and classes. She invited everyone to visit her studio and upcoming open house.

With no further business, Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to adjourn and this was seconded by Judy Sloan. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Rogenhofer
Recording Secretary