

GATEWAY DECORATIVE ARTISTS

Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2014

Lorie Reece called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All board members were in attendance with the exception of Sandra Reynolds. The invocation was given by Jeanne Abraham. Lorie welcomed all members and guests.

Lorie asked if there were any corrections to the April minutes as printed in the Newsletter. Hearing no comments, the minutes were approved.

Lorie asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasurer's Report. Hearing no questions, the Treasurer's Report will be filed.

Barb Ogden thanked all those that participated in Mark's Seminar. The Sherry Nelson Seminar in September still has openings. It will be held at the Staybridge in O'Fallon. Barb has offered to cut masonite for anyone needing a surface, but has only received one request so far. Barb has contacted several teachers for 2015 Seminars. Next Saturday is Lorie Reece's Sharing Workshop. September is our 40th Anniversary. Barb would like to have a short meeting today before the paint-in with those who volunteered to help. Gloria will be teaching a Hummingbird on a wine glass after the meeting.

Cheryll Wilburn advised that we have 25 members present today. We also have four guests: Loretta Trower, Jackie Kohler, Nancy Black and Diana Gelbert. Gifts were given out to our visitors. One of our guests, Jackie Kohler, joined Gateway today. Welcome, Jackie! Attendance prizes were won by: Anna Mathieu, Jean Lindsey, Barb Ogden, Donna Wessel, Liz McClintock, Mary Jo Kumer and Marilyn Harnett. We have some free books, patterns, etc. for anyone interested. Let Cheryll know if you hear of any illnesses or deaths.

Linda Nelson's husband is out of the hospital.

Gloria Falk gave a report on the Ways and Means Committee's last paint in. Sandy Aubuchon had a class yesterday on painting scarves. Joyce Miller mentioned that her church group, in Cedar Hill, would love to have a class on scarf painting.

Donna Wessel passed out copies of the Treasurer's Report to several people that did not receive the Newsletter. She mentioned that Josee just got a new computer and is working on getting things up to date. Donna thanked everyone that participated in the auction at our last meeting. We collected \$149.00, which will go to the Memory Box Program.

Mary Jo Kumer advised that Marilyn Todd taught the June Memory Box paint-in at the bank. Mary Jo will teach the July paint-in and it will be a Maureen McNaughton pattern. This is from Issue 1 of the 2014 Decorative Painter. If you have that issue, it will be helpful if you bring it with you to the paint-in. In June, we did 18 Memory Boxes. So far, this year, we have shipped 214 Memory Boxes. Donna Wessel will teach the August paint-in. We still need volunteers for the October and December paint-ins. If anyone would like boxes to paint at home, let Mary Jo or Gloria Falk know and they will bring them to the meeting.

There were no paintings brought in for Show & Tell. However, the beautiful scarves that were painted with Sandy and worn by members were shown.

Debbie Finklang gave a report on the Retreat classes. We have four coming up this month and two next month. You can sign up today for these classes.

Lorie mentioned that if we do not have enough people sign up for these Retreat classes to pay for rooms at

the Holiday Inn Express, we could hold them at Quality Testing. An e-mail will be sent to all those that sign up for a class to let them know of the location.

Volunteers for the November refreshments were: Nancy Falk, Mary Jo Kumer (Sodas), Michelle Senn, Joyce Miller and Anna Mathieu.

Gloria Falk did the table decorations for today's meeting. Gloria will also be teaching the Hummingbird wine glass painting after the meeting.

Mary Jo Kumer made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Joan Love. The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Rogenhofer
Recording Secretary