

## Minutes of the Gateway Chapter ANG Monthly Meeting Thursday, January 21, 2010

The morning meeting was called to order by President Anne Freeman at 10:00 AM with 17 members and one guest present. The evening meeting was called to order by President Anne Freeman at 7:07 PM with 7 members present.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Cards were sent to Vi Vahlkamp who suffered a stroke near Christmas, Mary Carol Kluesner and Debbie Trowbridge who both had surgery last week. Today Ellen Ippolito is having surgery on her thumb and a card will be sent to her also.

The nominating committee consists of Peggy Sims, Regina Mohan, and Dawna Freeland. The board positions to be filled this year are First Vice President (programs), Treasurer, Newsletter, and Public Relations. Also we need to elect committee chairs for Social and Philanthropy. Please see someone on the nominating committee if you are interested in any of these positions or wish to suggest someone to fill one of these positions.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** AM Meeting: Angela Jones moved to approve the minutes from our November meeting. Motion seconded by Kathryn Nagy and passed. PM Meeting: Barb Smith moved to approve the minutes from our November meeting. Motion seconded by Janine Webb and passed. The meeting minutes are on our chapter web site for review by all members and should be posted a week after the meeting.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:** A good time was had by all at the Winter Luncheon. Jan suggests a change of venue for next year since this is our second year at the Dream House. Barb Smith has agreed to host the Spring Luncheon this year.

**PHILANTHROPY REPORT:** Thank you for the donations for the crisis nursery.

**HISTORIAN REPORT:** Kathryn has photos from the library display and Jan Poneta will e-mail photos from the Winter Luncheon to her.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** It was noted that we are getting comments and member inquiries from the library displays.

**RETREAT:** The 2010 Winter Retreat will be held on Sunday, February 21, 2010 from 9-5 at The Needlepoint Clubhouse. Cost is \$20 which is due with your reservation. Please sign up before February 14 because at that time the retreat will be open to nonmembers. This retreat is limited to 30 attendees and there are 2 open spaces. There is currently a waiting list of 2 non-members, so if you are a member and wish to attend the retreat, be sure to sign up before 2/14/10. Gay and Kathryn are accepting cash and checks made out to ANG Gateway Chapter to reserve your spot for this retreat.

**WEBSITE REPORT:** Janice loves maintaining the website and Anne thanks her for a job well done!

**NEWSLETTER REPORT:** Great job on the newsletter.

### **PROGRAM REPORT:**

- **Workshops:** There will be a spring workshop with Lois Kershner April 24-25, 2010. Janine passed around a color photo of this Wildflower Meadow project and Erbie Cooley mentioned that she had examined this project at Seminar in Baltimore and it is stunning with wonderful, jewel tone colors in the meadow. This is an intermediate workshop that is limited to 20 students and will cost \$135 for local ANG members. This price includes

the kit and 2 days of instruction. The absolutely firm deadline for signup for this workshop is March 1, 2010. So far only 2 stitchers have signed up for this workshop.

- **Programs:** Janine asked for members to consider being on the program committee to plan projects for next year. This committee will have one meeting in March.

**FUND RAISING REPORT:** Our guild had a successful 2 days of gift wrapping at Borders this holiday season. Jill Rigoli has donated a Laurel Burch canvas with stitch guide to the guild. This was passed around and will be raffled off in the spring to raise additional money for the Guild. Regina reviewed our 50/50 challenge that will occur at each meeting, \$1 per chance, or six (6) for \$5.00.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The balance at the end of December 2009 was \$5961.12.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Currently we have 75 members.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- The Needlepoint Clubhouse is hosting a Needle Art Gallery on February 11, 2010. Please consider sending one of your creations for display during this event.

- Sign of the Arrow is having a different type of trunk show in February: They are having a fiber trunk show featuring Rainbow Gallery and Riversilks. These threads will be 20% off during the month of February and they will have a greater than usual selection during this event.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Kathryn Nagy won \$8.50 in the AM 50/50. .

**MOTIONS:** Regina Mohan moved to adjourn the morning meeting at 10:30. Peggy Sims seconded it and the business meeting was concluded. Janine Webb moved to adjourn the evening meeting at 7:50 and Barb Smith seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted by Dawna Freeland.