

**Minutes of the Gateway Chapter ANG Monthly Meeting
Thursday, October 19th, 2006 and Monday, October 23rd, 2006**

Prior to the program and meeting, Membership Director Linda Elkow hosted an orientation session for new members.

Program Director Anne Freeman presented a program about stitching a spring egg for an egg tree to be raffled off at our 2007 spring luncheon.

The meeting was called to order by President Denise Beusen at 8:09 pm (night meeting) and 11:00am (day meeting).

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes are posted on the chapter web site and a copy is on the display table. Sally Ross moved that the minutes be approved as posted. Pat Giarraffa seconded the motion. Passed

TREASURER'S REPORT: The bank balance as of September 30, 2006 was \$3,887.47. Denise announced that Brenda Ramsdell has agreed to serve as treasurer.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: New membership rosters were passed out by Linda. She reported that we have 68 members, including one new member, Brenda Ludwig. Florence Bell and Jan Poneta were guests at the day and evening meetings, respectively.

NEWSLETTER REPORT: Janine Webb requested that articles for the November newsletter be turned in ASAP. The newsletter will be mailed shortly after November 1.

PHILANTHROPY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT: The International Children canvas will be donated at the end of the year to an appropriate organization.

About 40 people attended the Gail Sirna book event on September 26, 2006. She spoke for about an hour. Her book is available at Left Bank Books.

The new Chapter trifold has been distributed to local needlework stores. Members were asked to help keep the stores supplied by refilling the display containers at each shop.

Philanthropy and Public Relations Director Donna Holloran would like suggestions from members for our next philanthropy project.

FUND RAISING: Mickey Knutson reported that we will be gift wrapping at Borders on Sunday, December 17, 2006, and Thursday, December 21, 2006, from 9 am to 2 pm. She asked volunteers to sign up on the sheet provided or to contact her.

Weekly planners with the winning Drag 'N Brag projects on the cover were handed out to the winning stitchers. The planners are also available for sale at \$12 each.

PROGRAMS: Anne Freeman reported that 19 members have signed up for the Cedar Creek

Retreat on Saturday November 4, 2006. The dead line has passed for signing up for the retreat.

The November monthly program will be a demonstration of how to finish the eggs that members started this month.

The Chapter archive of *Needle Pointers* and *Needlepoint Now* are on sale to members for \$1.50 per issue. They will also be available at the November retreat.

SUNSHINE/HISTORIAN/SOCIAL COMMITTEE: The annual holiday party will be held at the home of Erby Cooley on January 13, 2007. It will be a potluck brunch.

Betty Rosenberger moved to adjourn the evening meeting at 8:17 pm. Anne Freeman seconded the motion. Passed

Anne Freeman moved to adjourn the day meeting at 11:08 am. Janine Webb seconded the motion. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Sylvia Howard.