

**Minutes of the Gateway Chapter ANG Monthly Meeting
Thursday September 20, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by President Anne Freeman at 10:00 AM and 7:10 PM.

Anne welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced two visitors, Thelma Marchbanks and Jan Hale. Katheryn Nagy was introduced and welcomed as a new member.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes are posted on the chapter web site and a copy was on the display table at the meeting. Linda Elkow moved that the minutes be approved as posted. Sally Ross seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Carol Bosche reported a balance as of 8/31/07 of \$3304.80. The September 30, 2007 balance is \$4848.00.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Sally Ross reported that we have 72 members. Rosters were available to the members. Member pins were available for \$5.00.

NEWSLETTER REPORT: Anne thanked Janine Webb for the great job she does with our newsletter. The September issue was mailed out and we hope everyone got theirs and has read it. There was a discussion about members receiving their newsletter by email. Some members are still receiving torn copies through the U.S. mail service. In an effort to save the chapter some money on postage, we would like to send an email to members when the new edition is available on our website and not send it via the mail. We circulated the roster at each meeting and asked members to indicate if they would be willing to receive their newsletter in this manner. To date we only have responses from those present at the September meetings. We will ask for responses again at the October meeting in an effort to reach all of our membership.

PROGRAM REPORT: The October meeting will be instruction on making your own tassels. The kits are \$4.00 each and members were asked to sign up and pay for their kit. There will be extras available at the meeting for those who were unable to attend this meeting.

Anne asked Mickey Knutson to report on our retreat which is scheduled for October 6. Mickey reminded us that the retreat is not subsidized this year. In order to break even, we need 30 people to sign up. So far we have 13. The St. Louis Women's Club has graciously extended our deadline for another week to give us time to get more attendees. We will send an email to all members and we will open it to guests at the same cost. Linda Bryant, our sponsor at the Women's Club will have flyers available in her needlepoint shop to help us with advertising. We hope to get enough new people signed up that we will not have to cancel. Cancelling will cost the guild \$300 in guaranteed fees.

FUND RAISING REPORT: Mickey has contacted Borders and has dates for our gift-wrapping. Everyone was given a schedule and asked to sign up.

PHILANTHROPY REPORT: Donna will continue our canned goods drive for the Ladue Chapel food pantry. Those who bring a contribution will be given an extra participation ticket. The winner will be given a free membership. Donna Hinden was our lucky winner for this year. Her ticket was drawn at the June social.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Donna reported that our first library display was a success and thanked those who contributed projects for the display. Our new display will be in November and will be

Christmas and Hanukah items. Those who donate will have their items back by December 1. Flyers were also available for members to pick up and deliver to shops and other places where we may get new members.

SUNSHINE/HISTORIAN/SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT: Jan Poneta reported that our January social will be hosted by Angela Jones. The date is January 5, 2008, so mark your calendars.

WEBSITE REPORT: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Motion: Sally Ross moved to adjourn the morning meeting at 10:20. Sylvia Howard seconded and the motion passed.

Jan Poneta moved to adjourn the evening meeting at 7:30. Sally Ross seconded and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Peterson