

**Minutes of the Gateway Chapter ANG Monthly Meeting
Thursday September 15, 2011**

The morning meeting was called to order by Donna Beaman at 10:05 AM with 20 members. The evening meeting was called to order by Donna Beaman at 7:05 PM with 9 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: **AM:** Ellen Ippolito moved to approve the minutes from our last meeting. Motion seconded by Judy Lewis and passed. **PM:** Dawna Freeland moved to approve the minutes from our last meeting. Motion seconded by Linda Lesh 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.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: A letter of resignation from Sarah Jacobson, as the Public Relations Officer, was accepted by the board and Regina Mohan was introduced as the new PR Chair.

WORKSHOPS: Pam Peterson reported that the spring workshop will be Saturday, April 21, 2012 at Winghaven Country Club, with Meredith Willet doing the Tantalizing Tassel. The kits will be premade with of 4 – 5 color choices. Thursday evening, April 19, 2011, Meredith will also give a lesson to ANG members from her Knots, Fur and Turkey Work book. More information will be available as it gets closer.

WEBMASTER: Janice Marsh reported that there is a new link on the website to add pictures. There are some already one it. No names are on the pictures. It was mentioned that some of the officer's names on the website needed to be updated. Janice was going to look into that.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Peggy Sims reported the winter social will be in January, no date has been set. It is currently going to be at the same restaurant as last year, Jimmy's on the Park, unless there are other ideas.

HISTORIAN: Kathryn Nagy reported that the photo album is up to date. There were some extra pictures of members that Kathryn wanted us to take. She reminded us to take pictures at different ANG events and email them to her.

PHILANTHROPY: Ellen Ippolito reported that our projects this year will continue to be House of Hope in Haiti and we will also include Our Little Haven in St. Louis, which provides care for kids.. A list of items to donate to either group is in the September-October 2011 newsletter.

RETREAT: Our fall retreat will be held on Sunday October 23 at Winghaven Country Club from 9:30 to 4:00. The cost is \$20.00 and it includes lunch. We will be in a different room than usual, so Ellen suggested we bring a light with us. If paying by check, please make it payable to "Gateway Chapter".

TREASURER: Carol Bosche reported that the August 2011 balance is \$7,292.96.

NEWSLETTER: Julie Cook wants the pictures to keep coming. It was a good newsletter. She also commented on how nice the presidents' letter was.

PROGRAMS: Angela Jones asked if anyone had any show and tell. A few members had their UFOs in their real "finished" condition. She also asked if anyone would like to join the UFO for this year. Angela introduced a new program called Summer SOS (swap our stash) that would be from May to September. Those who would like to participate would bring in a canvas with a

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stitching area of 5 x 5 (25 sq. inches), thread for the canvas and how it will be finished, ornament, stand-up, frame or etc. The member will not be able to say what stitches to use. There will not be any payment due if the canvas is not finished, only the embarrassment of returning it in the unfinished condition.

The agenda for programs this year is:

Perfume Bottle - October - January

Tips, Tricks and Gadgets - February

Plaids - March

Tassel - April

UFO and SOS - May

MEMBERSHIP: Donna Beaman told members that Debbie Trowbridge has been very ill but is feeling much better and would be at the evening meeting. We currently had 71 members and Vi Vahlkamp.

FUNDRAISING: Judy Lewis has some new ideas for fundraising. A luggage tag with Gateway Chapter on one side and initials on the other for approximately \$6.00. Another idea is a clipboard with ANG Gateway Chapter logo on the back and the member's initials on the lower front, A price for this has not been decided. Judy thought a cardigan with our logo on it would be a good idea. After a discussion on cost, Carol Bosche, made a motion for the chapter to pay the \$100.00 for the digitizing, reimburse Judy for the samples, to order the cardigans from Lands' End and sell the cardigans at cost. Angela Jones seconded the motion and it passed. The cost of the cardigans is \$26.00 or \$30.00 (depending on size) and \$6.00 extra for the logo.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Regina Mohan reported that the tri-folds with information about the Gateway Chapter are out at the shops. The October library display will be at the Main Library on Lindbergh. The theme for this month is decorative stitches. Please contact Regina for where to take the articles. They are displayed in a locked case.

OLD BUSINESS: No report.

NEW BUSINESS: Julie Cook remarked how nice seminar was in San Antonio. It can be expensive but worth it. The finished projects for Philadelphia Seminar in 2012 were on display.

Julie asked who stitches these projects and an organizer told her they have pilot groups stitch them. Julie asked if our chapter would like to be a pilot group for stitching a canvas for an upcoming seminar. It had a very positive response. The seminar for 2014 will be in Chicago.

MOTIONS: **AM:** Regina Mohan moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 and Mickey Knutson seconded the motion. **PM:** Linda Lesh moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 and Angela Jones seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Feldman