

**Minutes of the Gateway Chapter ANG Monthly Meeting  
Thursday, February 16, 2006 and Monday, February 27, 2006**

Denise Beusen taught a workshop on finishing a needlepoint brooch.

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 pm (evening) and at 11:25 am (day) by Denise Beusen.

**Minutes:** The minutes are posted on line on the chapter web site and were also available in the meeting room on the display table. Linda Lesh made a motion to accept the minutes as posted; seconded by Anne Freeman. Passed.

**Treasurer:** Betty Rosenberger was not present. She reported a balance of \$4,355.81 as of January 31, 2006.

**Membership:** Linda Elkow reported that we have 70 members and one new member, Karen Johnson, who attended the Thursday night meeting.

**Newsletter:** Janine Webb reported that the next newsletter will be printed at the end of February.

**Philanthropy and Public Relations:** Peggy Nedeau did not have a report.

**Ways and Means:** Mickey Knutsen thanked members for participating in the Valentines fundraiser that raised over \$250.00. She reported that raffle tickets are for sale and will be until our Spring luncheon.

**Programs:** The March meetings will “Stitch a Heart for Breast Cancer”. The kit costs are \$15.00 and must be ordered in advance. Anne Freeman will be teaching the class. The heart pendant was designed by the Point to Point Chapter of ANG as a breast cancer fund raising project.

There will be a special field trip for any interested members on Saturday, February 18. The event will start at 10 am with a visit to Art St. Louis and the current show, “Layered, Stitched, Assembled”, follow by lunch at the St. Louis Art Museum and viewing of two shows there: African Strip Weaving and African Quilts.

We will have a special Saturday stitch-in on March 4 at the Schlafly branch of St. Louis Public Library at Lindell and Euclid. The event will start at 9:30 am. At 1 pm we will walk to one of the nearby restaurants for lunch. For those interested, there will be a preview of techniques to be taught in the Betty Chen Louis workshop in May. Bring a doodle canvas of congress cloth to practice the stitches.

Betty Chen Louis will be teaching “Evening Flight of Butterflies” for the Gateway Chapter on May 6 & 7, 2006. Information about the piece and the cost are on our website and in NeedleNotes. The deadline for signup is March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Members were asked to mark their calendars for this year’s “Not at Seminar” retreat on November 4, 2006. We will return to Cedar Creek Conference Center.

**Sunshine/Historian/Social:** Anne Freeman reported Barb Smith will be hosting the Spring Luncheon which will be held on May 27<sup>th</sup>. The upcoming newsletter will have further information about our annual stash festival. Detailed information about costs will be announced at a later time.

A motion was made by Anne Freeman to adjourn the meeting. Sylvia Howard seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm (night) and 11:35 am (day).

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Ramsdell.