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The next meeting will be June 11, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at the Hearst Church Gallery.

GRANT COUNTY ART GUILD MINUTES

May 14, 2010

President Arlene Sarkela opened the meeting. A roll call sheet was passed around. Members present were: Arlene Sarkela, Barbara Kejr, Florence Rowell, Nikki O'Connell Muise, Juanita Heslip, Setta Roberts, Barbara Smith, Sally Wofford, Jean Hatfield, Daria and Kent Tallman.

The Newsletter from the last meeting was discussed; with no corrections or additions, it was approved as printed.

The Treasurer's report was given by Arlene in the absence of Lois DeLong. After expenses paid, the balance in the bank is \$1,335.73. Lois DeLong, treasurer has made a request that no more money be spent as there will be money needed for expenses for the Purchase Prize show.

New Business: Arlene Sarkela presented miscellaneous receipts for gallery supplies, copies, and paper goods for the reception to be reimbursed in the amount of \$55.98. Barbara Kejr made a motion to pay expenses and Setta Roberts seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- Arlene made the members aware of a lighting problem. When she worked at the gallery last weekend, the lighting in the craft area quit working. A transformer had melted and was damaged but Richard Sarkela got the lights working again. Due to the high cost of replacement, we will continue to use the transformer as long as possible. A paper with information about how to address problems and procedures will be left in the gallery in case of future questions. Anyone working the gallery who notices any electrical problems should call an officer of GCAG and report the problem.

- The question of whether we can get more copies of "Forever Frontier" was discussed. Someone suggested that copies may be available at the Chamber of Commerce. Also it may be time for a new copy to be printed. It was discussed calling Gail Moore to find out the status.

-Calendar schedule and changes of sitters was discussed. The new schedule will be available on the web site.

-Gallery hanging was discussed. The question of how or where the artist of the week should display their work was asked. It was suggested the front area be cleared of paintings so the person sitting could hang or display their work in the front. The guild has an Artist of the Week sign that can be put up again. Some members have brought extra paintings to fill the gallery and new members need to be aware that there is always room for their work. Those who have hung extra paintings will be glad to take some down to make room for new artists.

-Arlene has gotten a new American flag with holder to replace the small one. She plans to make a new plastic cover for the television

set and will make plastic strips to hang from the top of the door to keep hummingbirds out of the gallery.

-The calculator that was in the gallery quit and has been replaced.

-Barbara Kejr mentioned what happened during the bicycle race. The road was closed and no one was allowed in or out so no one

was able to come to the gallery, resulting in two visitors in the two days after the road closure. Solutions discussed were: talking to the racing administrator about leaving the road open, or possibly changing the date of the Member's Show to fix problem before next years show.

-Nikki O'Connell Muise made us aware the Pinos Altos web site is up and working again with a link to the Hearst Church as a historical landmark. She has a meeting to ask that the link to the Hearst Church be changed to mention the Hearst Church Gallery. It was discussed that we do not have the right to use the Hearst name but since it is a historical site and designated as the Hearst Church that we will go ahead and use the name until told not to do so to prevent confusion.

-Barbara Kejr gave a Purchase Prize show update. The prospectus is available now and can be downloaded from the GCAG website, giving more people direct access to the information. All the publicity is out.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary Pro Tem

Florence Rowell

SITTING AT THE PA GALLERY

Members are reminded to check the GCAG Website as a reminder of when you signed up to sit at the Gallery. If you have not signed up to sit, please do so. **This year all members who are showing at the gallery must sit 3 days. Please pick a third day and let Nikki know as soon as possible.** Also, we encourage you to check the website each week for possible new Art Guild information. www.gcag.org . Please contact Nikki O'Connell Muise if you have any questions regarding sitting at the PA Gallery at: info@gcag.org (or #388-4458).

At least a week before you sit at the gallery, please email Florence Rowell pastelpainter@swcp.com or call her #388-2106, and give her your information for the newspaper article "Meet The Artist". A short paragraph on what medium you work in, what subjects or materials you prefer, how you got started, were or from whom you have taken classes, etc. Also, Nikki will post that info on Facebook for additional exposure.

PURCHASE PRIZE SHOW - SEPTEMBER 21ST

The next GCAG judged show will be the Purchase Prize Show on Sept. 21st. . Please check the website for entry forms and show requirements. www.gcag.org. Judge for the show will be Ken Hosmer.

3-DAY WORKSHOP, SEPTEMBER 22-24

The Watercolor Workshop will be given by Ken Hosmer from North Platte, Nebraska. Check out his website at www.kenhosmer.com. At this time the quota for the workshop in filled. However, anyone wanting to still submit their name will be placed on a "first come-first served" waiting list. We have had three dropouts, which allowed us to move three names from the waiting list to the workshop list. If you have an interest in taking this workshop and would like to be placed on the waiting list, please contact Donna Schmidt at 534-2899 or slchurch@cybermesa.com, or Barbara Kejr at 538-8216 or bkejr@signalpeak.net.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Jean Hatfield has donated a TV and stand to the gallery for members to use while sitting at the gallery. Thank you Jean!

There have been some problems with lighting at the gallery, which is thought to be caused by the transformer. Rick and Eric Sarkela have worked on the problem and were able to do a temporary fix. Thanks Rick & Eric!

Website Info From Nikki

www.pinosaltos.org has been rebuilt and uploaded and is mostly functional. We are featured on the site, and there is a link to our own site there too. Please take a look and see what else is going on in P.A. – this is really good exposure for us, as a search for Pinos Altos brings this site up first.

If any of you are on Facebook, please become fans of our new Facebook page (*search for "Grant County Art Guild"*)! We now have almost 50 fans, so the word is getting out. It's great free advertising – let your friends know too by 'sharing' the GCAG Facebook page! You may also post pictures and comments on the wall, or send Nikki me an image or two to info@gcag.org and she'll post them.