

SAN ANTONIO CALLIGRAPHERS' GUILD

General Meeting 2-6-2020



The monthly meeting of the San Antonio Calligraphers' Guild was held in the Parish Hall of Christ Episcopal Church at 510 Belknap Place on February 6, 2020. President Karen Fridlund called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. She welcomed guests Richard Grant and Collette Franke.

Business Meeting:

Minutes from the previous meeting were submitted by Beth McMahon, Secretary, and published on the guild website.

Treasurer's Report was prepared by Kathy Sipe, Treasurer, and read by Laura Herold, Vice-President.

Committee Reports:

- **Vice-President - Laura Herold.** She is accepting nominations for Paul Freeman awards tonight and at the February mini. Forms are also available online and may be emailed to her. Nominations will be published in the March newsletter and voting will occur at the April general meeting. Awards will be presented in May. Envelope Exchange has been set with a printed chart for those who signed up.
- **Early Bird - Lynn Rothe.** Tonight's Early Bird on framing was presented by Maggie and others. Next month Leslie will give a pre-program quiz on different scripts.
- **Programs - Becky Hughes.** Tonight Maggie will speak about the fine points of framing artwork. Next month Leslie will try to stump us with *Name That Hand*, presenting samples of different lettering styles. No grades!
- **Major Workshops - Leslie Winakur.** Sign-up for the Loredana Zega workshop on brush lettering started tonight. The class is full already but Leslie will keep a waiting list for others who are interested. The workshop will be held Saturday, May 9 and Sunday, May 10. In October Liesbet Boudens will be here from Bruges, Belgium to present a workshop.
- **Mini workshops - Maggie Gillikin.** Minis are held the third Thursday of the month and cost \$5. On February 20 Carlos Haun will give a mini on doodling.
- **Membership - Laura Herold.** We currently have 82 members.
- **Secret Pal - BJ Grant.** Maria Diaz has agreed to be co-chair. Sign-up for this year's Secret Pal will begin next month.
- **Hospitality - Lauren Deal.** She pointed out that Bonnie Houser deserved a standing ovation for the pretty Valentine cake, table decorations and 7-layer dip. A true feast was also provided by Sarah Axsom, BJ Grant, Christina Mena and Deborah Bowen.
- **Library - Brian Zampier.** Karen announced that we will be organizing the books and other materials by categories to facilitate easier access.

- **Publicity - Kimberly Hartzog.** She reminded members to check the Facebook page.
- **Exhibits - Kimberly Hartzog and Fran Boffo.** They have arranged an exhibit at the Sabinal Public Library in May. Specific dates will be announced and they will determine how much space is available. Members are encouraged to get artwork ready for the exhibition.
- **Scholarships - Bonnie Houser.** She pointed out that our guild is unique in having a scholarship fund established in honor of Denise Adler. For a major workshop anyone who has been a dues-paying member for at least two years may apply by paying the workshop fee and then contacting Bonnie directly. She is able to reimburse half of the workshop fee for two members per workshop. This is confidential and is not based on need. When a member has received the scholarship, there must be a two year interval before applying again.
- **Door Prizes - Fran Boffo.** These were awarded to new member, Deborah Edwards, and guest, Collette Franke by lucky draw.

Old Business: Beth Morton has been working on linking our guild website with Amazon either as an affiliate account or Amazon Smile. This link will bring extra income to the guild.

The Board made the decision to try using PayPal for membership dues online, both for new and renewing members. It will still be possible to pay by cash or check at meetings or through the mail.

Staff from the Briscoe Museum sent thanks for the class led by Leslie and Maggie and for guild members who addressed LoveLetters. There are still opportunities to address envelopes on Saturday, February 8 from 10 am to 2 pm or Tuesday, February 11 from 4-9 pm. Kimberly pointed out that the Briscoe hasn't posted those dates on their calendar.

New Business: Nominating Committee for new officers will be comprised of Leslie Winakur, Lynn Rothe, and Maria Diaz.

Announcements: Mary Bowen is teaching a class on Italic lettering at ALIR (Academy of Learning in Retirement) through NEISD. See her for more information.

Dean Skelley moved for adjournment. BJ Grant seconded the motion. President Karen Fridlund adjourned the meeting at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth McMahan, Secretary, San Antonio Calligraphers' Guild