

San Antonio Polymer Clay Guild Meeting

Minutes

March 24, 2007

Reports:

Membership: We currently have 23 members. Some members still need to pay their dues for this year! Please get with Pancho if you haven't paid your membership dues yet for the year. We had two guests from SABOS with us. Pancho handed out temporary directories.

Treasury: We have a total of \$2517.22 in our accounts.

Bottles of Hope: The BOH winner for February was Eva Buchala for her funny man bottle. Honorable Mention went to Betty Lou Jordan for her first ever BOH—yeah Betty Lou! BOH count for February was 7.

Website Update: **Please send her some pictures of your work.** Denise has only had a couple of responses and would like to set up the galleries on our guild site. Also, please check out the unknown BOH page (http://www.sapcg.org/BOH_gallery_unknown.html) and let Denise know if one of those bottles is yours.

Guild Retreat 2008:

Since Sam's Burger Joint is never available in April, Maureen would like to see our guild do our retreat during that month, at least every other year. For 2008, with a guest teacher the cost would be \$275 minimum per person including meals. Without a guest teacher, the cost would be \$175 including meals. There is a 15 person maximum at this facility.

SABOS Show, May 5-6:

We do have a guild booth at this show plus Maureen is planning on getting an extra table and is willing to share this with the guild for those who may want to sell some items (there will be either a small fee for the sales space or volunteer time requirement). We do need volunteers to help man the guild booth which would include doing demos and answering questions. Maureen sent sign up sheets around for people to volunteer to help out at the guild booth and/or sign up for sales space and to help out with the sales booth. She will have these sign up sheets available at the next guild meeting, also.

Special Raffle:

Judi Weers went on Lisa Pavelka's polymer clay cruise and brought back some goodies for the guild. We'll be having a raffle for at least one \$200 goody bag. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10 and will be available this month and next. We will hold the raffle at the April guild meeting—you don't need to be present to win.

Rubber Stamp Sheets:

Eva is planning on ordering some rubber stamp sheets from Ready Stamp. She put together several pages of Dover Copyright-Free Clip Art, some ancient designs, and some of her own drawings. She made it available for people to order copies of these sheets—sign up sheets were available and whichever sheets have at least four sign-ups on them will be ordered when she places her order with Ready Stamps. The sign-up sheets will be available at the next guild meeting, as well.

Ugly Bead Contest:

We discussed having an Ugly Bead Contest in June. Everyone who wants to participate can bring their ugliest bead and we will have anonymous voting at the June guild meeting for the winner.

New Location Discussion:

Since Sam's sometimes cancels our meeting space on us at the last minute, we discussed finding a new, more stable location for the guild meetings. We need a place that can handle an average of 20-25 people (but should also be able to handle a few more, if needed). The cost should be as inexpensive as possible.

Bring and Brag:

Patty participated in Sarajane Helm's mask swap this year and set out all the masks she got from the swap for everyone to enjoy. Sarajane is working on a book of masks and the items from this swap will be included.

Belle Armoire did a specialty magazine of jewelry and Patty did an article in this specialty mag. She can order more of these at half price so she offered to take orders from the guild if anyone wanted a copy at half price.

Program:

Patty did a demo of some jewelry techniques for us, using some new Beadolon wire guardians, scrimps and twist crimps. She also showed how to make a sliding knot for an adjustable necklace/bracelet cord.