

CERAMICS WEST GENERAL MEETING MAY 4, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 9:00 am by President Cindy Ferguson.

Quorum Established.

New members were welcomed.

MINUTES: Secretary Nancy Nighbor

Highlights of April meeting were read reminding members that all matters regarding club classes need to go through Nicole Donati. Part of her duties as Vice President is class coordinator.

Please record your volunteer hours in the notebooks provided and if you are a monitor and need to step outside, please let the OD know so your post can be covered.

OD's when signing up new members please ask them what type of name tag they would like to order. It is important to wear your name tag so we can get to know each other.

To clarify procedure for new members, starting in the fall a monthly orientation will be held independent of the beginner's class. The first month new members are given 4 hours volunteer time so they can fire pieces. They must also work 4 hours that first month so they can have firing privileges going forward to the next month.

In the suggestion box, Fragrances and sprays. Please be considerate of those with allergies and breathing conditions and limit the use of perfumes and aerosols when at the club.

Minutes are posted. Motion to accept minutes made by Hedda Orr and seconded by June Marten.

Please direct all concerns to the appropriate committee chair. See listing on the Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Marilyn Engelken

Cash box \$30.00, Checking, \$10,815.21, Equipment Reserve, \$6,077.10.

CLASSES: Nicole Donati

Classes are finished for the season, but will start again in fall.

OCTOBER:

Dry Brush with Nancy Tappen.

Sculpting with Color with Nancy Nighbor and Vicki Zurcher.

Translucence Class with Connie Brooks.

Nicole will be working on getting new demos and workshops set up for the fall and the new year.

FIRING ROOM: Judy Aden filling in for Kathy Langford - Edwards

Starting May 15th we will begin our summer schedule, loading and unloading kilns Monday, Wednesday and Friday only. Just a reminder - our firing room is not a drying room. Please do not set pieces on top of the kilns to dry. They are the most expensive pieces of equipment we own. Let's take good care of them. Please remember to pick up your pieces.

August 14 is the only day we will sell product and fire items. Marilyn will be in charge.

Brilliance will be sold in pint jars for \$4.00. If you want a refill it will be regular price. We will not accept food jars from now on.

Decals prices will be reduced. The auction will end after this meeting. The winners.

GREENWARE: Chuck and Nora

We will need someone to come forward to take over this position. Thank you for all your hard work.

POURING:

Kaye has stepped down a pouring chair. Thank you Kaye for all your hard work.

NEW BUSINESS:

A thank you to Roseanne Roelandts for all her hard work for the Newcomers orientation at the Rec Center.

She and Debbie Placher will design a tri-fold board for display for our club.

We are going to be developing a membership drive. People interested in joining the club could come in and make a piece and have an orientation.

Nancy Dobbins oversees the new molds. 3 items need to be poured before they are released. There are two cabinets marked new molds released, and they are now available for sale.

EVENTS: Kay Oteham and Connie Brooks

Las Vegas Buffet has been cancelled. Next year we will change the date to April. Ice Cream Social is coming up July 26 We will have it at 6pm to accommodate everybody.

August hours will be for working only, No products will be sold except for August 14th. We will need two monitors each day, 1 will need to get a key to lock and unlock the door. August hours will be July 31 - Sept 1 Cleaning will take place on the 21 - 28 and we will be closed. We will post reminders.

No meeting until September 7.

Last month we had 748 volunteer hours this month The top 10 volunteers hours were recognized for their service. 714 hours club usage 462 pieces were fired.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35.

Nancy Nighbor
Secretary