

November 16, 2016

**MINUTES
SARASOTA SURFACE DESIGN GUILD
WALDEMERE FIRE STATION
SARASOTA, FLORIDA**

6:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

There were 37 members and 4 guests present who were introduced and welcomed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Laurie Dunham announced that the voting on the Bottle Challenge will be by plastic nuggets in cups adjacent to the submitted items. Laurie requested information from members who teach, so the details about their classes can be included in the website and/or sent to the members through an eBlast on a regular basis to help promote their upcoming events.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Candy Lillo reported a bank balance of \$4,190.30. Candy noted that the Guild currently has two bank accounts. The bank account was under the former name (Florida Gulf Coast Surface Design Guild), so a second account was opened under the correct name (Sarasota Surface Design Guild). The former account will be closed. (NOTE: In addition to the bank account, the Guild's PayPal Account and Post Office Box were also changed to reflect the correct name.)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Chairman Sue Garland advised that there are currently 138 members.

VICE PRESIDENT/PROGRAM UPDATE

Vice President/Program Chairman Diane Bunker presented an update on the following items:

1. For the December 13th meeting, Sue Garland and Joan Slidell volunteered to serve on the **Christmas Party Planning Committee**. Sue Garland advised that the Guild will be providing a honey-baked ham and a turkey breast. The members are being asked to bring a covered dish and an ornament (preferably hand-made) in a clear plastic bag/wrapper for all to see! There will be creativity, camaraderie, music, fun, friends, and good food at the event!
2. There will be two speakers at the January meeting. **Chris Lacki** will be speaking on her "*Layered Images*" Gelli Plate printing technique and **Celia Buchanan** will be showing us the marvels of *Marabu Paint* Products. Chris will be the instructor at the January Play Day and Celia will be the instructor at the February Play Day. There will be an unrelated speaker at the February meeting.
3. The next challenge is due in January and it's all about **Hearts!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. **FAB Report**

Kathie Hayes noted that the Fabulous Arts Boutique began in 2002 and has been a very successful venue for the artists from participating groups to sell their unique creations. There have been changes from last year's event and participants need to consult the rule book. Photos from the professional photo session should be used by artists to post on social media.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business presented.

NEW BUSINESS

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BOTTLE CHALLENGE

There were 16 submissions in the Bottle Challenge. First place prize went to Diane Bunker for her Mermaid Bottle. Second place went to Sue Garland for her "Santa Jar and Elf". Third Place went to Mimi May for her "Find the Bottle" necklace. (For photos of the bottles, go to the Photo Gallery posted on the website.)

SHOW AND TELL

The following members presented their creations during Show and Tell:

1. Chris Lacki - Funny Guy
2. Tanya Weinberger - 3 quilts (Quilts that Go Bump in the night") and zentangle drawings
3. Frances Dugas - Pillow cover
4. Margaret Hillman - Shirt and dress from October's Instant Gratification Workshop
5. Lori Stone - Fabric collage and purse
6. Joey Long - Felted pin cushions and pins
7. Ellen Maloff - Shirt from October's Instant Gratification Workshop
8. Mimi May - Humorous Political Christmas cards
9. Joyce Beil - Painted/Embellished Holiday Jars
10. Gerry Swarmstedt - Shirts from October's Instant Gratification Workshop
11. Leslie Talley - Pants from October's Instant Gratification Workshop

PROGRAM

Kim Hale gave a demonstration on "Clay Critter Ornaments," showing how the conditioned clay is affixed to round Christmas Ornaments (various sizes) to create a variety of critters. Once the creation is finished, it is baked and then painted with oil paints and embellished. The workshop is being held on November 27, 2016.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Sarasota Surface Design Guild will be the Christmas Party being held on December 13, 2016. There will be no Play Day in December.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Maloff, Secretary