

Peninsula Scribes Minutes September 14, 2012

Present: Linda O'Neill, Marilyn Brock, Jean Wyatt, Pat Donlin, Patricia Flesner, Sandee Freeman, Tomi Belgard, Terri Kruger, Sharon Morseman, Suzanne Eaton, Anna Faulkner, Suzy Wing, Jo Anne Hughes, Sandy Placek, Merrilyn Shape, Susan Blenk, Melissa Soares, Carole Crose, Helen Stogsdill, Becky Riepe, Stephanie Gould, Jolie Will, Patti Carman, Diane Schanz Miller. There were several guests present today.

At 10:15 am, **Barbara De Pirro** (<http://www.depirro.com/>), from **Golden Artist Colors** gave a 2-hour presentation on paints and media which they produce. Gift bags containing various samples were given to each of us and we had the opportunity to try out some extra media and colors. The information was so extensive that many of us will be referring to the website to refresh our memories and get more details on techniques in using their many products!
www.goldenpaints.com

After the program, a short break was followed by our monthly meeting. **Thanks go to Merrilyn and Sandy for supplying refreshments!**

The **minutes from May's** meeting were approved.

Sandee Freeman, **Treasurer**, reported that we have \$2908.34 in our bank account. Our current membership numbers are: 33 regular and 10 associate (out of town).

Directories are finished and along with their membership cards, were given to all who had paid their dues. Thanks go to Patty Flesner, who did a great job putting them together.

One **art/calligraphy tip** was shared and turned in. Jolie Will is collecting them every month for a future compilation. Please bring your favorite tips, on 3x5 cards, to share at our next meeting!

Calligraphy NW Goody Bags - A Thank You note from Peg Weber was read for the donations we made to the goody bags for conference attendees.

Letters of Joy - We were thanked for donations to the silent auction held at LOJ. (Ceramic pen holder, glass "nib" bauble)

Clallam County Fair - Appreciation goes to Susan Blenk who did the judging. There were only 10 entries, which is the minimum number required for a class. Winners were congratulated and their pieces were on display. Remarks were made by those who hosted our guild's "Bookmark" table, which is a great outreach of our guild. Of special note was the fabulous Paper Quilt which was composed of lettering from our "Letters in Nature" project earlier this year and artistically put together by Diane Schanz Miller and Marilyn Brock.

Due to the minimal participation this year, there was much discussion about how we can generate more next year. Ideas include: entering samples of work accomplished in the various workshops held each year and making a decorated envelope quilt from envelopes all using the same address. Susan Blenk is willing to have a layout and design class, which will focus only on putting a piece of work together, not on lettering technique. For those who

need help with lettering, one resource worth checking out is IAMPETH, an online site of master calligraphy teachers. Address: <http://www.iampeth.com/lessons.php>
The bottom line is that we hope to continue a calligraphy presence at the annual Clallam County Fair. A more full participation would ensure that and make for a better display and class. Please consider how you can share in the creativity and fun next year!

Terri Kruger - Tacoma Calligraphy Guild's president, Terri Kruger, led us in a demonstration of decorating paper by pounding flowers. She uses 140 lb. watercolor paper and pounds single petals (violas) with a hammer through a paper towel. LOVELY!! Thank you, Terri! If you're looking for online ideas, consider this site:
<http://www.instructables.com/id/Hammered-leaf-and-flower-prints/?ALLSTEPS>

12 Days of Christmas Mingle - Jean Wyatt is organizing this unique hand-made gift exchange. The gifts don't have to be calligraphy or "paper" based. Each person will make 13 and give 12, keeping 1 for themselves. More participants (13 total) are needed for it to be a "GO"!

Gold Bar Retreat - Carole Crose is going. This is always a nice event in a lovely setting!

Paste Paper - The day was lots of fun and we hope to do it again next summer, perhaps with gelatin printing.

ATC exchange - Theme: "All Buttoned Up" ATCs were on display and ready for trading. The next exchange will be in November and will be "Free Choice"! Make 11 and bring 10 to the November meeting. January's theme will be "Childhood Games".

Note** - There is a sign-up for an exchange with the Tacoma Guild; theme is "Alphabet" and the ATCs are due in November.

Susan Longerot's Class - Line, Color Gesture is next week!

Priscilla Patterson will be leading the program for October's meeting. It will feature drawing, possibly with watercolor and ink and is expected to start at 11:30-ish.

Other sharing?? - Upcoming classes:

Susan Blenk/Foundational - in November or Spring? Interest sign-ups collected today.

Lorraine Douglas/Ruling pen...in January

Terri Kruger/Gothicized Italic & Flourishing?

Respectfully submitted,

Jolie Will