

GEORGIA CLAY COUNCIL

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QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

The Georgia Clay Council meeting for the third quarter was held on August 21, 2011, at the studio of Janet Smith and Regina Hines, 120 S. Main St, Jasper, GA. Meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Georgia Clay Council, President, Phoebe Maze.

Members Present: Phoebe Maze, Sue Chisholm, Melinda Crider, Fred Ellis, Laura Ellis, Darla Huffman, Janet Smith, Mary DeFoor, Dan DeFoor, Debbie Macknight, Cathy Mozley, LiVita Surley, Mike Sherrer, Triny Cline, Judy Murphy and Cathy Meincer.

Visitors attending were Pat Gold and Regina Hines.

Guest Speaker: Pat Gold, Member of the Board of Directors for the Cherokee Art Center, Canton, Ga.

Topic: An Update on Cherokee Art Center's interest in renewing their relationship with the Georgia Clay Council.

Pat informed the group the Cherokee Art Center's desire is to get back to the original purpose and mission for which it was started, that being an Art Center with art events, shows and classes to help educate and support art groups and schools in and around Cherokee County.

She indicated the Art Center would like to have a working relationship with GCC on some of their future shows, sales and possibly renovating the existing room where clay classes were previously taught so classes could again be offered.

GCC members gave her a very favorable response and look forward to working together with the Cherokee Art Center in the future.

Old Business:

- 1) Phoebe Maze discussed current issues that need to be looked into and gave the group reminders for more upcoming workshops. Her agenda included the following:

The GCC Board members looked earlier at the location where this meeting is being held as a possible site for our Christmas Show and Sale and decided on having the show at this site. Our visitor, Pat Gold, also mentioned there might be a possibility of having the show at the Cherokee Arts Center but would need to discuss this at their next board meeting. As of this date the show will still be at the Jasper location.

Upcoming Workshop and Show Reminders: (final details will come before these events take place)

VERY SOON -Sharptop Art Association in Jasper, Ga is hosting a GCC member show and sale that will run from Oct. 6- 30;

-Harris Art Center in Calhoun, Ga. will also be hosting a GCC event and sale. The dates for the show will be from Sept. 17 thru Oct 26, 2012.

Potential future workshops suggested by members and being investigated:

- Debra Frits, suggested topic is focusing on the torso; looking at possibility of next winter in Feb. or March, 2012
- Melisa Cadell; topic, possibility working with a live model and sculpt in clay
- Peter King workshop that teaches architectural building in clay; details being investigated; costs and dates yet to be determined.

2) Treasurer's Report: Debbie MacKnight, Treasurer, reported the balance to date in the GCC checking account is \$3,700.00. The increase in dollar amount from the last meeting is largely due to gaining nine new members during this period. Most of these members found out about GCC through our workshops.

3) Donations from the GCC Art Educational Fund:

Dan Defoor presented a request for a donation from GCC's art education fund for the Dr. Helen Fleming Stone National Honor Society Scholarship Award. Motion was made and accepted that a \$500.00 donation be made towards this scholarship award. Members voted to accept this motion (16 voting: 10, yes; 3 no; 3 abstained). Another request was made by Janet Smith for a small donation to buy art materials to help with a local senior group that she is teaching. All donations are contingent on correct procedure and documentation.

4) New Business:

New member Cathy Mozley informed GCC members about a group that meets on a regular basis at the High Museum in Atlanta for field trips and fun art related outings. She suggested a possible future trip visiting selected members galleries for this groups event. Members expressed interest and would like to follow up on this.

Reminder that photos will be need for the Christmas Show and Sale. Have them ready to send as information on the date will be sent out soon.

Our thanks and appreciation goes out to Janet Smith and Regina Hines for hosting this meeting at their new studio and classroom location. This venue has been offered for use for our Christmas Show and Sale for the cost of utilities. Janet will run the show and handling of credit card sales.

Being no further business, meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Meincer
Secretary, Georgia Clay Council