

THE VILLAGES ART LEAGUE
MINUTES
November 6, 2017

President Bonnie Canning opened the meeting promptly at 9:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Gail Parker read her report, which has since been corrected to read that the club has 4 easels, rather than 3, as noted by Bonnie Canning.

Treasurer Jay Summers presented her usual monthly report, as well as a summary of the Fall Show, which netted \$277.51.

According to Sunshine Freddie Venturoni, all in our club are currently doing well.

Bonnie Canning was very pleased with the successful, beautifully done Fall Show, chaired by Michelle Popko. She thanked everyone involved for their hard work.

Jay Summers asked for, and got, volunteers for bank displays on both 441 and 466 for December and January. She has been unable to find a fourth bank willing to display our new easel. Jo Magram says that Citizens at Pinellas is considering it.

Dore Dumas introduced new members. She announced that while annual dues, which are \$15, are not officially payable until January, she will accept them any time from anyone wishing to avoid the rush.

Jo Magram says that even though all 2018 Artist of the Month spots are filled for next year, she would like to have a list of subs willing to step in for last minute cancellations. Those interested can contact her.

Jo introduced November's Artist of the Month, Tom Bray. Tom credits 30 years of creating theatrical props for community theater with his current artistic success with clay. Today he displayed several very imaginative and playful pieces fashioned from driftwood and polymer clay. They were truly unique!

Lois Kamp, who has graciously volunteered to chair the committee for December's holiday party, asked for two volunteers.

Joal Litavsky announced that the upcoming trip to Hawaii has been cancelled. As a separate event, she has arranged for a day trip to the town of Christmas, to attend a festival and old-time Christmas activities. The trip is December 2nd, with the cost of \$40 due on November 18th.

Irene Wantroba conducted the 50/50 raffle, for which there were 3 lucky winners.

Bonnie thanked today's refreshment committee for a great job and beautifully arranged fall table.

After the business meeting and a short break for refreshments, Phyllis Speicher introduced our demo artist, Meagan Chaney Gumpert. Meagan's very interesting demonstration of the basics of glass fusion fascinated both novices and more experienced artists and inspired us all.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail S. Parker, Secretary