

Ming Chiao Meeting Minutes: Saturday, January 19, 2019

10:30 at Jim Gregory's home in Plymouth, MN

Attendance: 9 members braved it out on a cold sunny day... Ben Wong, Craig Steinmetz, Yvonne Palka, Chris Wilson, Ken Johnson, Amy Bounds, Susan Davies, Jim Gregory and Sue Fredrickson.

We were in awe viewing all the wonderful art - calligraphy and paintings, displayed at Jim's, and his wife, Christina's home, and seeing their home studios. We enjoyed watching many birds busy at the feeders.

Welcome: Vice President **Chris Wilson** called the meeting to order.

We were saddened to announce President Pat Gustafson's breast cancer diagnosis, but she will be having surgery soon and treated to get rid of it. We all send her our healing thoughts and well wishes. Her address is: 1609 Shumway Ave. NE, PO Box 831, Faribault, MN 55021

Ken Johnson, who was suffering from severe back pain, had a successful surgery - and feeling good now!

Had an interesting discussion on mounting our paintings and various methods including wet and dry. Considered having a mounting demo at the next meeting. Anyone else interested? Let me know.
NOTE: SSA exhibit entries must be wet mounted. Also, need a chop. Chop cannot touch signature.?

Show and Tell:

Sue Fredrickson and **Amy Bounds:** Showed their Year of the Pig sumi-e paintings.

Jim Gregory: handed out printouts of Bob Schmitt's step by step directions for the Pig, and Calligraphy.

Yvonne Palka: taught families at the Czech and Slovak Family Night to make sumi-e cards to sell at a fundraiser. See photo attached.

Craig Steinmetz: the Japanese Society members had *intro to sumi-e* demos at 7 Mpls Public Library libraries, using magic mats and brushes/water. The library also added several new Sumi-e books. Their exhibit runs until Jan. 30th at the main, downtown library (see Exhibit info below.)

Jim Gregory: showed a book of paintings by Munzer, his teacher at MCAD, on thick stretched paper.

Chris Wilson: Her painting "Crane Feet and Little Whooper" was bought by the Stuhr Museum in Grand Island, Nebraska. Congratulations and Whoopie!

Minutes: Sue Fredrickson, 11/17/18 meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Ken Johnson - balance as of 1/9/18: \$8,853.07 (includes \$1,500 from SSA)

If you haven't yet, **Please send your \$35 Ming Chiao dues for 2019 to Ken Johnson:**

Ken's info: 18835 30th Ave N, Plymouth, MN 55447 kennthjohnson@msn.com; 763-473-2246

Membership: Amy Bounds. 612-600-6765

Social Media: Amy Bounds. Follow us on Facebook! **Send your art photos** to labounds@msn.com.

Large format is best, she can watermark it for you - just ask.

SSA Quarterly, deadline Mar. 15: Jim McGuire is in Mexico. Let Sue F know of any Ming Chiao or your personal art news/photos you'd like to share. Any SSA member can mail their Art images to:

Editor@ssaquarterly.org to be published in the Quarterly.

Website: Kathy Weese and Jim Gregory signed up for Wordpress classes. Moving hosting site to Siteground/\$5.95mo/3yrs (\$214.20) due end of Jan. OK'd by officers. Domain name moves at end of Mar. (with GoDaddy - less than \$20/yr.) If more professional help needed to update site, rate is \$75/hr.

MC Library: contact Jim McG to borrow books, jimndarge@juno.com Sue will send list before next mtg.

Art Cart: Sue Fredrickson; let her know if you want to borrow it.

2019 SSA Exhibition

Chris and Sue: Reported on **SSA 2019 Nationals:** Recap of Nov. meeting, with handout that was emailed earlier: **The changes and additions are highlighted in yellow in a separate attachment.**

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Jim McGuire: Invited to show at **Fairview Ridges Hosp.** in Burnsville, **May 2019.** 18-20 pcs. AOK'd.
2. Ming Chiao exhibit at the **Chaska Community Center, June 2019.** Jim Gregory has another commitment, Sue Fredrickson volunteered to be chair.

Meeting adjourned: Had a delicious potluck featuring Miso Chicken, salads, and brownies.

NEXT MEETING: 3/16 at Edina Art Center. 10:30 am