Borrego Springs Art Guild Meeting Minutes December 8, 2011

Vice President Kathy Johnston welcomed members and guests to the luncheon. At 12:15 p.m. Announcements were made from other organizations. Kathy mentioned that an Art Event Display was in the back of the room if people wanted more information about upcoming events.

Reports: Pam Rhodes, Secretary, reported the November minutes were sent to members with the newsletter. Hearing no additions or corrections the minutes were approved as published.

Anne Wermers, Treasurer, reported that the Art Guild has \$816.18 in checking and \$7118 in savings at Borrego Springs Bank. Because of everyone's generous support of the raffle last month and Richard Orne's decision to donate his Presenter's fee to the Guild, we were again able to donate \$150 each to the elementary school, high school and BAI children's art programs.

Beth Hart, President, asked for volunteers from the membership for the nominating committee. Camille Rothenburg, Christie Barber, and Carol Lindemulder volunteered and were then elected by the membership. The Board filled the other two positions by electing Barbara Wright and Julianne McCall

Julianne McCall, Membership Chair, reported that the membership fee of \$25 is due now. She explained that the fee is used to pay our presenters, cover our minimal expenses and fund our various scholarships to graduating seniors, children's art programs, and other art programs in Borrego. She will have a table set up in the back of the room after the meeting if anyone is interested in paying or joining then. She asked that everyone verify we have the correct email and contact information in preparation of the roster being published.

Beth announced we are beginning the process of selecting homes for the upcoming home tour. If you are interested in showing your home or know of someone who might be interested to contact her immediately. Beth then asked for volunteers to lead the March Art Festival which has been held since 1973. It's a one day festival held at The Center and is an opportunity for all members to sell their works directly to the public. Judy Webber volunteered. Susie Garrison agreed to help her.

Finally, Beth reminded everyone to stop by the Library to see Carol Lindemulder's exhibit. Barbara and Breta Matson will show their work in January.

Carol Lindemulder reminded everyone about the Guild's Art Show at the Borrego Art Institute coming at the end of January. The theme is "Around the House" and runs from January 27 through February 15, 2012. She explained that the theme will be interpreted broadly to mean inside or outside, your house or someone else's house. Use your imagination. She is looking for volunteers to man the show from February 1 through the end of February. The BAI will provide volunteers during January. A volunteer chart was passed around during the meeting.

The program began with Dick Helvig playing delightful Christmas music on the piano during lunch. Kathy Johnston presented a fashion show during dessert titled "Bangles, Baubles, and Bling"—accessories to the black dress or pant suit—from Ocotillos, Borrego Outfitters and Tumbleweed. Then we had a sneak peak preview of the Performing Arts musical "Christmas on my Radio, the sequel". The performers stayed to help with the gift exchange. This year we asked each table to sing (with the help from the performers) for their gifts featuring different Christmas songs for each table. When the song was over each guest that brought a gift selected a gift that was brought to their table. The program finished with everyone singing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

Then we had the raffle where everyone who bought a ticket won a gift. The next meeting on January 19, 2012 at DeAnza Country Club will feature framing by Jennifer Paprock. Her friend, Leslie Sweetland, will discuss the challenges when framing pastels.

Many thanks to all who made this wonderful event possible: To Dick Helvig, Santa Claus, Ocotillos, The Borrego Outfitters, Tumbleweed, and the singers from the Performing Arts musical—Jim & Linda Roller, Lynnette Salton and Bill Hartley. Thanks also to Katie Seabold who created these great center pieces even with her wounded wing, Pam Rhodes who created the song placards, Ernie Loza and the staff at DeAnza, and to Beth Hart, Kathy Johnston, Pam Rhodes, Anne Wermers, Sandy Talbert, Carol Wakefield, Julianne McCall, and Jerry Macy. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday season.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Rhodes, Secretary