

CDA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – Sunday, November 19, 2017

Meeting Called to Order at 3:00 pm at Virginia Wesleyan Pottery Studio

- New Member - Cindy Guard was introduced. Her husband is the President of the Woodturners group and attended with her. They donate wooden bowls to Empty Bowls.
- Action Items from the previous meeting were read
- Treasurer's Report – the current balance is \$7,035.38. Julita will accept checks today for membership. Dues are \$35 for an individual and \$55 for a couple.
- Rich let everyone know to check their spam folder if not receiving e-mails from him. He has had to go back to splitting the e-mail list as Cox is identifying him as a spammer.
- Workshops – The Bas Relief workshop was held on Saturday. There was a good turnout. There are a few slots left for the Precious Metal Clay workshop to be held December 2. There will also be a waiting list if needed.
- Empty Bowls – Ginger said that she had sent out the applications for the charities and one has already been filled out and returned. Angela, who is the Bowl Room Chair, asked for members to pledge how many bowls they will make for the event. A sign-up sheet was passed around. She will also contact members for pledges. Please let her know how many you plan to make.
- We are still looking for someone to step up and fill the Vice President position. We also need chairmen for Workshops, Shows and Exhibits. Buzzy has been out of town but will be contacting people this week. She will have information before the next meeting.
- Lois Sharp has volunteered to head up a Hampton Roads Pottery tour for next year with the public visiting home pottery studios. She needs volunteers to help her with the planning of this event. Angela requested that the tour not conflict with Empty Bowls. We need to get planning started soon for this if we are going to do it next year.
- Holiday Party – Buzzy contacted the Hermitage about holding our party there. It would have to be a daytime party as we would have to be cleaned up and off the grounds by 5:00 pm. We would have to purchase a one-time ABC liquor license if we want to have alcoholic beverages. The party would be held in the studio building. Attendees could tour the house. If not a member of the Hermitage, they would be charged the entrance fee. Members of the Hermitage would get in free. There would be no charge for the studio space. Available dates are Nov. 19 and 25 and December 3 and 17. There was very little discussion about this. Angela suggested we could still see if a member would step up and volunteer their house for the party. This seems to be the preference. A motion was made to select a date, December 17, for the party, but not a location. The motion was seconded and we agreed to December 17. If no one steps up to volunteer their house as a venue, we will go with the Hermitage location. Angela will let everybody know the party location. There will be no formal meeting in December, just the party.
- The Artist's Gallery is looking for ceramic items for their Holiday Sale. If you 4 – 5 pieces that would be great. They would like them by Monday, November 29, but items can be delivered after the 1st. There is a \$25 entrance fee and they will take a 20% commission. Contact Vinnie Bumatay if you want to submit items. Opening reception is Dec. 1 and the show runs through the 23rd of December.
- The meeting adjourned at 3:19 pm.

Rick and Chris Nichol were introduced. They talked about how he formed the Norfolk Growler Company and how he developed the molds for the growlers. Their studio is behind Toast Restaurant in Norfolk at the corner of 24th St. and Colonial Ave. He wants everyone to know that they have a decal printer that local potters could have decals printed. If you are interested please contact him. He hopes to eventually open a studio for potters. The price for the growlers is \$70 with decals and \$65 without. They are made with a cone 6 Standard white stoneware clay slip.