

National League of American Pen Women

Tampa Branch Minutes

Date: Sept. 19, 2017

Meeting called to order by President **Bonnie Phillips** at 11:33 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Inspirational Moment: **Sandy Huff**

Welcome guests: Joan Brannick, Connie Dusckas, Jennifer Hand, Jenipher Lyn

Minutes of past meetings can be read on our website: www.tampapenwomen.com. Virginia Hallway approved. Meletha Everett 2nd.

Treasurer's Report given by **Gainor Roberts**: \$2,782.13

Attendance: Members: 16 Guests: 4

Announcements/New Business

- 1) **Deb O'Reilly:** had a fall and is recuperating. Sent her thanks via Barb Routen for cards, visits, meals and kindness shared.
- 2) **Dot Setlow:** Her sister Neva Graham passed away. She was an active Tampa Pen Women. Dot contributed some of her works. Art, macramé and paints. Some were raffled off.
- 3) **Poetry Contest:** Sandy Huff organized a Poetry contest which was offered to Nonmembers. Andrea Hardee submitted, "Line by Numbers" and won 1st place. She will be invited to attend a meeting to receive her award.
- 4) **Art Contest:** Sandy Huff shared there will be an art contest in Oldsmar City Hall on Dec. 2nd. Pen Women will judge the submitted works.
- 5) **Virginia Hallway's Memoirs:** Are currently being read by Mary Ellen. Barb Routen is next in line to read them.
- 6) **Barb Routen:** Did a review of Kat Heckenbach's book, "Finding Angel." It was submitted to the Pen Women magazine and is featured in the Summer 2017 issue.
- 7) **Call for NLAPW Coloring Book:** "Celebrating 120 years of Pen Women" Need 32 illustrations relevant to Pen Women in some way. Deadline for submission October 12, 2017. Details are on the NLAPW website.
- 8) **Approved by National:** Barbara Routen is now a Music member as well as letters. Kat Heckenbach is Letters member and now accepted as an Art member.
- 9) **Betty Lafferty:** Made an announcement that she is moving to Texas to be close to her son.
- 10) **State Conference coming up:** All members invited to attend Nov. 9-12 in Daytona. Barb Routen will be a guest speaker and speaking on the Performing Arts Medicine Association.
- 11) **Cards for Troops:** There will be a card making session on Oct 7th at Center Place at Brandon Library. The cards will be sent to service members to use as holiday cards to send home to loved ones. Everyone is invited to join in and help with this fun project.
- 12) **Mary Ellen O'Brien:** has 11 paintings on display at Temple Terrace Library until end of Sept.

October Inspiration: Virginia **Give A Hoot:** Cat **Sweet Treats:** Meletha

50/50 Raffle winner: Carlene Earl

Sweet Treats:

Meeting Adjourned:

Seconded:

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m. for a delicious lunch and to enjoy the summer art works of our members.

~ Minutes respectfully submitted
by Judy L. Perez, member