

The MCGA met Saturday Feb. 17,'18 at the Belleview United Methodist Church.

Prior to the regular meeting, Artist Orchid Davis presented the project she will be teaching for the March 17 meeting, an Indian Lady. Orchid will be providing a kit which will include all necessary materials: gourds, cape material and decorations. The kit will be \$12.00 plus the class fee of \$10.00. Please check the MCGA web for all information. Sigb-up for this class is no later than March 9.

The regular meeting was called to order by president Sandy Hinrichs at 9:40 a.m. with 10 members and one guest present.

Minutes_ approved as printed on the MCGA web site.

Treasurer- Lou White present the report.

There is a starting balance of \$2883.91 ending January 7,'18.

Income: \$23.00-

Expenses- \$109.95 includes 70.00 for January and February room rent at the church and \$39.95 to Carole Sheftic for reimbursement of web site fee., leaving a balance of \$2796.96. Approved as read.

Old Business:

New Officer slate for March 2018-19:

Stephanie Clere- president:

Sandy Hinrichs-First vice:

Diane Surridge- 2nd. Vice (programs)

Lou White- sect./treas:

Lenore Siek-membership;

Diane- sunshine. .

Sandy asked for volunteers from the floor as well as someone to fill in position of publicity: None
Slate approved as read.

Workshops:

March- Orchid Davis; Indian Lady :

April- Gabby Hunter- mushroom people.

Diane asked for members to volunteer for May, June and July- several said they would have to wait and see due to possible conflicts.

Sunshine: Diane said she sent out 22 cards and is donating the cost of the stamps. She also requested that members contact her with any up date news, such as Stephanie who is having surgery this week and most members were not aware.

New Business:

Class fee- the officers recommended an increase of \$5.00 for classes to be paid by participant instead of members paying \$5 and club the other \$5.

Lou explained that in previous years when meeting at community center the rent was \$165 per year. It is now \$35 per month(\$420.00/ year) Motion made by Diane; 2nd Sandy Approved

Class fees will now be \$10, with the club not paying additional. This does not effect Seminars which are paid in full by participants.

Meeting December- Lou suggested since the MCGA pays each month the club should have their Christmas potluck in December and regular meetings the rest of year.

Dues- Membership dues are due in March '2018-2019. Single membership \$16.00, Family \$25.00. These can be paid at the March meeting or send to Lou White 20635 State Road 44, Eustis, FL 32736.

Sandy asked if any other new business- none
Donna Shaver made a motion to adjourn, 2nd. Sandy adjourned.

Workshop was presented by Carole- Connie Easter Bunny. Members had been instructed to clean and cut out pattern (if desired) prior to meeting as well as applying two coats of gesso. A base coat was applied over the gesso. Carole than demonstrated using press and seal to apply face to gourd. Than using several lighter colors sponged on gourd to give the appearance of fur. She also demo putting the ears together, shading and finishing up "Connie"

The class was enjoyed by all and pictures of the bunnies can be seen on the MCGA web site. Thank You Carole for a fun and instructive day.

Respectively submitted

Lou White sect./treas.