

CAG Meeting

February 15, 2023

Attendees: Brandon Lipe, Gary Guglielmino, Barbara Moreland, Bette Sindzinski, Julie Dandliker, Pat Alger, Mary Ellen Brownell, Nicole Collins

Updates from Brandon:

New kiln - supposed to be shipped/delivered in March. We may try to incorporate a cone six firing.

Display case - Looking into replacing the non-hot water heater cabinets with glass to display more items. Approximate cost is \$400 and will ask CAG to cover.

Visiting artist – signed contract April 8 from 12 to 6 Didem Mert - internationally known ceramicist does wheel, hand and vinyl cut out work with very colorful underglazes. No open studio that day. Targeting to have two visiting artists per year.

CPR/AED - training in June might be offered to monitors and teachers.

CCACA - Davis April 28 29th will have two 10 x 10 spaces. Open call for all students to submit work for a juried selection. If your pieces are in the show, you will need to cover a shift, which encourages participation.

Music (Pat) – sound is mumbled. Suggestion to look into Amazon Echo devices to spread around the studio.

Clay - ordered again from Clay planet although the three weeks delivery date has already been five weeks. Clay Play people are faster and better. Going to order from Clay People going forward. We go through too much clay for 6-tile and XX to stay on top of production. Brandon is working to find alternatives. The new Dave's porcelain instead of the 6-tile has been well received.

Finances (Pat) – we are in good shape even after the killing contribution. Should we add more for scholarships? Visiting artists may end up taking more budget, since we are back to having them more often.

Meals on Wheels (Barbara) - Had a fire in their office, so no auction this year. Getting good supply of donations.

Pottery Sales Corner (Bette) - all up and running. Put money in locker one. (check or cash an envelope).

Empty bowls (Bette) – Jim's class did some test pieces and glazed 24 bowls. Got 16 to 18 bowls from the end-of-quarter leftover pieces. Asking CAG members to donate one or two bowls each.

Discarding Pottery (Pat) - Do not throw Pottery away in the regular trash bins. Maybe we should set up a special trashcan for unwanted pottery pieces.

Protocol for sale (Pat) – only ceramic items, special amenities, and requests – water, electricity tables upon review. Sales chair, and president get table choice (however, Pat feels as though the president doesn't need a table choice). Everyone should review the new sales rules and provide feedback.

Contest - someone needs to step up and take over. Pat sent an email. The contests will be held only if

we get a volunteer.

Mother's Day sale - only outside in front of studio and parking lot and still need to decide one or two days.

Fundraiser suggestions - Ellen suggested that we create a book on how the studio has made people's lives better; however, books seem too out of date.

Preference for CAG T-shirts.

Nicole has a basic, how-to for beginners manual "The Life of a Pot" Perhaps we provide this free digitally for everyone and for a small fee for printed those.