January 2007 - Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2007 – Meeting Minutes

Houston Cake Club Larry's Arts and Crafts Richey Street, Pasadena

Kathy Brinkley demonstrated using the various sizes of pearl molds and then Lori Gust did a demonstration on the air pen.

At 11:20, Pat Weiner opened the meeting. Pat said that Denise was not going to be at the meeting because her husband had just gotten out of the hospital after being in an accident.

Pat asked everyone to introduce themselves.

The minutes of the January meeting were passed around for approval. Kathy made a motion to accept the minutes and Terri seconded it. The minutes passed.

The treasurers report was passed around for approval. Helen said that we have 47 renewed memberships. She said that the Two Sisters class will be in September. The cost is \$100.00 for non-members and \$75.00 for members.

March 4th is the next play day.

Kathy made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Betty seconded it. The treasurer's report passed.

The Strawberry Festival committee met and they decided not to participate this year. In order to have been able to receive any of the advertising and other benefits from the contest, we would have had to begin meeting with the Strawberry Festival Committee last June. It would have cost the club too much money to participate.

The day of sharing committee is looking at a building on 290 and one on route 10 and a possible building in Clear Lake. There are three demonstrators that are confirmed and they need three more.

Pat is checking on the possibility of Marcella Capo teaching a class on figure modeling.

The next play day will be Sunday, March 4th on Ganache. Lori Gust will be doing the hands on demonstration. The cost is \$10.00 for members and \$15.00 for non members. The list of supplies is on the website. There is room for twenty one people. Helen is the person that takes the money for the classes. Play days are on Sunday from 1:00 until 5:00.

Heather brought her gingerbread to the cake club to show everyone. She won second place in the Austin cake contest.

June 3rd is the next play day. It will be a demonstration on men's cakes since it is near Father's Day.

Meeting was adjourned.

March 27, 2007 - Meeting Minutes

Houston Cake Club Larry's Arts and Crafts Richey Street, Pasadena

Helen did the demo on Silicone Molds

10:30 Denise opened the meeting.

She thanked everyone for their support, thoughts and prayers for her husband after his motorcycle accident. She said he is doing much better.

Everyone introduced themselves and Denise asked everyone to sign in.

There is a correction to the February minutes. The class for the Two Sisters is \$175.00 for non-members and \$150.00 for members. Pat made a motion that the minutes be accepted with the correction and Shar seconded the motion and the minutes passed.

The treasurer's report was passed around. Helen said that there are seven people enrolled in the class for the Two Sisters and twenty people can attend. The class is September 10th and 11th. The Day of Sharing is September 9th. Betty made a motion that the treasurer's report be accepted, Shar seconded it and the report passed.

Lori is the Chairman of the Day of Sharing Committee, which is September 9th. She said that a building has been found and it is on I-10 at Studemont. The building is a building behind Party Boy. It has its own kitchen with Ice Machine. The cost of the building is \$500. Party Boy wants to increase some of their cake decorating. They want to give some of the money back to the club from purchases into a fund so that next year it can be used towards the renting of the building for the Day of Sharing. They will advertise the Day of Sharing on their marguis. The building is 4,000 square feet and they will allow vendors.

The Day of Sharing will begin at 9:00 with registration being at 8:00. There will be two demos at a time, along with vendors. The food will be potluck with the club providing the meat. There will be raffle items.

A motion was made by Pat that Lori secure the building for the Day of Sharing. John seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The cost of the Day of Sharing will be 35. for early registration. Early registration will be before August 25th. The cost for late registration will be 40.00, which will be after August 25th or at the door. Helen made a motion that the fees be accepted for the Day of Sharing. Pat seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Shar made a motion that there be a special raffle ticket for people who register before August 25th. Kathy seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The last play day was March 4th. Lori did a demonstration on ganache. The next play day will be June 3rd and will be a Father's Day cake. Dena offered to teach her golf bag cake. The cost of the play day is \$15.00 for non members and \$10.00 for members.

Denise made a motion that Dena teach the play day and Tina seconded it.

The August play day will be set at the April meeting.

Heather won first place at the Austin cake show with her gingerbread. Dena won second place with her wedding cake and third place with her baby cake. Dena was also in the Mailbox News.

Pat asked about Marcelo Capo. Lori said that she would be a good person to have at a spring day of sharing since she is a big name. Pat agreed to work with Marcelo trying to get a date secured.

April 15^{th} is the South East Texas Cake Club Day of Sharing. The cost is 45.00 at the door or 35.00 early registration.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

April 24, 2007 – Meeting Minutes

Larry's Arts and Crafts Richey Street, Pasadena

Lori did the demo on flower cutters and impression molds.

Denise opened the meeting at 11:15. She asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Helen asked everyone to sign the attendance book.

There was a correction in the minutes from March. It should have read that early registration for the day of sharing would be \$40.00 and at the door or late registration would be \$45.00. With the correction Terry made a motion that the minutes be accepted and Helen seconded it. The minutes passed.

There are only two spots left for the Two Sisters class. The cost of the class for members is \$150.00 and non members is \$175.00.

Helen said that we have 63 members of the cake club, 50 are active members.

The treasurer's report was passed around and Betty made a motion that the report be accepted and Terry seconded it. The treasurer's report passed.

The demonstrators for the Day of Sharing will be the Two Sisters, Gayle McMillan, Liz Dickson, Fran Tripp, Edward Frye and Susie Rasmussen.

Lori asked that we decide about the donation from money from the Day of Sharing so that it can be put on the flyers. A motion was made to donate 10 per cent of the registration to Susan G. Komen for the Cure for breast cancer. Kathy seconded it and the motion passed.

At the Day of Sharing there will be a table set up so that people can take anything on the table that they would like to have. There will be a display table and to encourage people to bring something, they would receive a raffle ticket. Attendees can vote for the "People's Choice," and the winner receives a \$25 VISA Check Card. motion made, seconded, and passed

There were some suggestions as to what the large raffle prize should be and it was decided to wait until the May meeting to make a decision.

Lori said that they would like to change the Day of Sharing to Cake Decorating Extravaganza or Expo. She will have the flyers by the May meeting.

The next play day will be Sunday, June 3rd from 1:00 until 5:00. The cost is \$10.00 for members and \$15.00 for non-members. Dena is going to teach making a golf bag cake. The supply list is on the website.

It will be decided at the May meeting if the club is interested in participating in the Strawberry Festival.

A sign up sheet was passed around to sign up for demos and refreshments for the rest of this year.

John Hartley will do a demonstration on chocolate for the May meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

May 2007 - Meeting Minutes

Our day started with a demonstration by John Hartley on the "Differences in Chocolates". John gave everyone several different types of chocolate to sample.

The meeting was then called to order at 11:10 by our President Denise Talbot.

Due to the absence of our secretary Judy Myers we did not have the reading of April minutes.

Helen then went over the treasurers report. Pat Wiener made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Kathy Brinkley seconded the motion. Members polled-motion passed.

Helen then explained that the 2 Sisters class to be held Sept. 10th and 11th was full. Helen will be checking to see if it is possible that another class could be held on Sept 12th and 13th. At the time of the meeting we had 2 on a waiting list.

Lori talked about our Day of Sharing on Sept. 9. The room has been paid for. If room is left in clean condition we will have a \$300.00 deposit returned to us.

After the meeting in June, Lori would like to meet with everyone that is interested in working on a committee for the Day of Sharing.

Large raffle gifts were discussed and voted on which items were preferred.

- 1. Air brush received 12 votes
- 2. Agbay cake leveler received 9 votes
- 3. Kitchen Aid Mixer received 6 votes
- 4. Edible Image Printer received 5 votes

It was decided that we would see what each item would cost. The amount of money to be used for these gifts was not discussed at this meeting.

For the Day of Sharing everyone that brings a Sugar Art Display will receive a free ticket to go into a special drawing.

Helen and Pat talked about the Strawberry Festival cake contest that was brought up in 2006. It was hoped that the club could do a cake contest in conjunction with the Strawberry festival in 2007 and the contest was to be a fund raiser for our club. After checking into what was involved it was decided that it would not be to the clubs benefit to have a cake contest. The San Jacinto Day foundation which is in control of the festival was not willing to work with us as they had first indicated. Helen then made a motion that the club not have a cake contest with the Strawberry Festival Kathy Brinkley seconded the motion. Members polled-motion passed.

There will be a Play Day on June 3. Dena Bryngelson will be teaching how to make a mans Golf Bag.

Our next Play Day was discussed. A date was not set. It was brought up that members would like to have something on Gumpaste flowers. At this time Gum Paste flowers have not been done at any of the Play Days.

Denise Talbot volunteered to teach the next class.

Different flowers were mentioned. Magnolia, Star Gazer Lily, Cymbidium Orchid, Calla Lily. It was discussed that these are time consuming flowers and not sure if more than 1 could be done

in a 4 hour class. Everyone seemed to prefer doing several flowers with one or 2 cutters rather than one flower. Denise will check on what flowers she can teach with 1 or 2 cutters and report at the next meeting.

Lori brought up that Play Days were to be an inexpensive class to help members earn their discount card.

Teachers to be invited to teach were discussed at the April meeting. Betty Van Norstrand was brought up.

Due to ill health and out of town Pat has not checked into having Marcela Capo in to teach. Will see what she can find out and report at next meeting

Raffle held

Meeting dismissed at noon

June 26, 2007 – Meeting Minutes

Houston Cake Club Larry's Arts and Crafts Richey Street, Pasadena

Tina demonstrated gumpaste flowers.

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 by Denise. She asked everyone to introduce themselves and then she introduced the officers. Helen is running for the ICES board and anyone can sign a proxy if they are not going to be at the meeting.

The minutes for the April and May meeting were passed around. Lori asked that a correction be made to the April minutes. It should read that the Day of Sharing will be \$35.00 in advance and \$45.00 at the door. With the change being made to the minutes, Shar made a motion to accept the minutes and Kathy and Betty seconded it. The minutes passed.

Helen passed around the treasurer's report. She mentioned that the Two Sisters Class was full but if they had twelve people, they would have another class. Denise said she would advertise the fact that there could be another class. The classes will accept twenty people and the class will be on making a ball cake.

Helen said that we have seventy four members, fifty two of them are active members.

Kathy made a motion to accept the minutes and John seconded it and the minutes passed.

There was discussion on the possibility of getting some teachers for classes. The decision will be made at the July meeting so that the teachers can be booked.

Lori mentioned that the Day of Sharing Committee needs people to take care of advertising. Several people said that they would take care of getting it advertised in their area. Lori said she would bring flyers to the meeting next month. The Day of Sharing Committee will meet after this meeting is over.

Denise is going to do the next play day which is Sunday August 19th and with a vote, it was decided to learn how to make a cherry tree cake. Denise will make sure that the supply list is posted right away. The play day was full immediately.

Pat asked if she could have a vote to get a quote to see if she could get some of the audio visual equipment that the club purchased put into place so that it could be used at Larry's so everyone could see the demonstrations but could also be easily taken down to be used at other locations. Shar said that she would ask her husband about possibly doing it without cost.

The meeting was adjourned.

July 2007 – Meeting Minutes

At Larry's Arts and Craft Supplies

South Richey, Pasadena, Texas

Denise Talbot did a demo on gumpaste flowers.

Denise Talbot called the meeting to order at 11:30. She asked everyone to introduce themselves.

The minutes of the June meeting were passed around to be read and Kathy Brinkley made a motion that the minutes be accepted and Dena Bryngelson seconded it. The minutes passed.

There was not any treasurer's report since Helen Osteen had gone to ICES.

The Day of Sharing is in September. Lori Gust asked that we get the word out by making copies of the flyers she had or putting it in local papers. It is going in the chronicle the ICES Newsletter, and American Cake. The name has been changed to Cake Decorating Extravaganza which will be on the billboard by the building where it will be held. Lori Gust said there would be a sign up sheet at the August meeting for people to volunteer to do different things for the Day of Sharing.

For the raffle prizes, there are request for people to donate large items and some for the raffle prizes will come from ICES.

Lori Gust asked that we change the amount that we usually spend on prizes to \$500. Dena Bryngelson made a motion that we change the amount and it was seconded by Kathy Brinkley. Motion passed.

Denise Talbot spoke to the Two Sweet Sisters, Martha Hebert and Becky Guidry about their class and they are going to have grab bags for everyone. The one class is full and there is another class open. Twelve people need to be signed up in order to have the second class.

The cost of the class is \$150.

August 19th is the play day. The supply list is on the website. Denise Talbot is showing how to make a cherry blossom cake.

Denise Talbot asked about putting up the audio visual system at Larry's and Heather Campbell said she would ask her father about putting it up.

Kathy Brinkley showed some shirts that she was interested in having printed for the cake club. It would be \$30 for the setup for printing and \$60 for embroidered. We could get our names put on them for \$7.50 extra. Everyone liked the pistachio color shirt. One of the members has all the equipment to do the shirts and she will get with Kathy as to the price of the printing on the shirts.

Lori Gust mentioned that Helen is running for the ICES Board and she brought some proxies for people to fill out to vote if they were not going to ICES.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10.

Judy Myers, Secretary

August 2, 2007 – Special Meeting Minutes

A special meeting of the Houston Cake Club was called to order at 2:30 PM.

Kathy Brinkley made a motion that the Houston Cake Club purchase fifty (50) pistachio polo shirts, embroidered with The Houston Cake Club. Shar Baker seconded the motion.

The charge to the members will be \$25/shirt for small, medium, large and extra large. The XXL and XXXL will be \$27.50/shirt. This charge will cover the \$60 setup fee.

For an additional \$7.50, you can have your name added to the shirt.

Helen Osteen will email the membership and get preliminary orders, so we can determine how many small, medium, large and XX large shirts we will buy.

We will ask Lori Gust to enable a PayPal button so the members can prepay for the shirt.

Kathy Brinkley will contact T-Shirt Works and place the order so we can pick them up before the Day of Sharing for September $9_{\rm th}$.

Helen Osteen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pat Wiener seconded the motion.

August 2007 – Meeting Minutes

At Larry's Arts and Crafts Supplies South Richey, Pasadena, Texas

The first demonstration was done by Jan Hutto on different kinds of tips to use for basket weaving.

The second demonstration was done by Lori Gust on how to use an Agbay and also a stacking system.

The meeting was called to order by Denise Talbot at 11:00. She welcomed everyone and asked the new people to please introduce themselves.

Denise Talbot mentioned that Betty Perrin's mother passed away and that she would send a card.

The minutes from the July meeting were passed around along with a copy of the minutes for the special meeting held on August 19th after the play day regarding the new shirts. A motion was made by Pat Wiener to accept the minutes and Kathy Brinkley seconded it so the minutes passed.

The treasurers report was passed around and Helen Osteen said that 45 people were signed up for the day of sharing. We have 80 members and 62 are active. Kathy Brinkley made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Sandy Cook seconded it so the report passed.

Denise Talbot said she spoke to DeNeise Barlow in Louisiana. She is the Louisiana ICES rep and she will coming to our Day of Sharing.

Larry's will give a discount to anyone taking the classes with the Two Sisters.

After the last play day we had a meeting regarding the shirts for the cake club. Helen said that anyone that wanted a shirt should order it the day of the meeting so that it could be here in time for the day of sharing. If you want your name on it, there is a \$7.50 charge. There have been 25 shirts sold and 50 were ordered. The 50 shirts include both men and women's shirts.

Helen mentioned that we need a logo for the club and that one of the other clubs had a cake contest and the winner's cake was the logo for the club. The cake had to be a three tier cake. It was decided that we would vote on it next month at the meeting.

Denise said that our Christmas Party is a luncheon with a gift exchange. Kathy Brinkley made a motion that we have the party at Chabuca's like last year and Pat Weiner seconded it. Motion passed. Denise said she would go there to make the arrangements for the luncheon. The gift exchange would be \$10.00

Lori Gust reported on the Day of Sharing. There is a Kitchen Aid mixer Agbay cake cutter, 2 tier cake stand, heart shaped pans, A shoe gum paste cutter from Gem Cutters and various things from ICES.

There is going to be a display table and a sharing table. People who bring something for the display table will get an extra raffle ticket.

The club members are to bring side dishes for lunch and breakfast items. Helen Osteen made a motion that Sandy Cook's husband make the meat. Pat Weiner seconded the motion and it passed.

Lori said that there are helpers needed and asked people to sign up for jobs after the meeting is over.

The club is able to get into the building at 8:00 on Sunday morning. Registration is at 8:30 and the demonstrations begin at 9:00 and it will run until 4:00.

Lori Gust asked to vote on giving \$100.00 Visa Card to the demonstrators who are coming more than 150 miles. Denise Talbot seconded it and the motion passed.

The two sisters asked Lori Gust if the club could pay their hotel bill for Saturday night also. She is to give them a choice, either the \$100.00 or the payment of their hotel room.

Lori Gust contacted Maisie Parrish from England. She is able to come here for a class in January. Her cost would be \$3,000.00. Pat Weiner made a motion to ask her to come and Kathy Brinkley seconded it. Motion passed.

Lori Gust will check on having Norm Davis come in the spring.

Lori Gust will check on the possibility of Debbie Brown coming in 2008 for classes, possibly after California Cake Camp.

Meeting was adjourned.

Judy Myers

September 2007 – Meeting Minutes

At Larry's Arts And Crafts Supplies South Richey, Pasadena, Texas

Lori Gust did the demonstration on a Gem Cutter Ladies Shoe gum paste cutter.

Denise Talbot opened the meeting at 10:45. She asked everyone to sign the book so that they could get credit for two events for a discount. Denise welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

The minutes for the August meeting were passed around and Kathy Brinkley made a motion that the minutes be accepted and Helen Osteen seconded it and the minutes passed.

The treasurer's report was passed around. We have eighty five members and 70 active members. A motion was made last month that 10 per cent of the gross amount of the Day of Sharing would be given to Breast Cancer Research.

The amount was 495.25 and Helen Osteen made a motion that we make the amount \$500.00 to be given. Kathy Brinkley seconded it and the motion passed.

The Two Sisters class ended up in a negative. One member paid half and then had to go out of town so the club had to pay the other half.

A motion was made by Kathy Brinkley to accept the treasurer's report. John Hartley seconded it and the motion passed.

The cake club's Christmas party will be at Chabuca's in Webster on December 11th at 11:00. Denise Talbot made the arrangements.

Helen Osteen said that we needed a logo for the cake club. The logo would be turned into a charm also. The logo design needs to be submitted at the November meeting so that the winner could be announced in January. You can vote on line or by mail and can only vote one time. The drawings will go in the newsletter in December.

Lori Gust announced that the Maisie Parrish classes will be January 21, 22, and 23rd. They will be three one day classes. The cost of the classes will be \$250.00 for all three days for non-members and \$150.00 for members. One day classes will be \$55.00 a day for members and non-members will be \$85.00 per day. A motion was made by Kathy Brinkley to accept these charges and a second was made by Helen Osteen. Motion passed. There was a vote on the classes and the first day will be the dog, the second day will be the ballet scene and the third day will be the bride and groom.

Lori Gust reported on the Day of Sharing. 126 people attended. 100 people were preregistered. There were some problems hearing the demonstrations because of the airconditioning and it was recommended that microphones be used next year.

Lori made a motion that next year the day of sharing be held on October 12th 2008. Denise Talbot seconded the motion and it passed.

Debbie Brown is open in October 2008 for classes.

Kathy Brinkley is taking care of selling the tee shirts.

Helen Osteen mentioned that Yvette Humbert is a member of our cake club and lives in Austin. She would like to teach a one day class. The list of supplies is small and she will provide the gumpaste. A motion was made by Denise Talbot that the class be held on Sunday, November 11th from 9:00 until 5:00. Kathy Brinkley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Lori Gust to charge \$70.00 for members and \$80.00 for non-members which would include lunch. Kathy Brinkley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Lori Gust mentioned that sometimes there is a problem getting raffle prizes and perhaps we could just give the money for the prize.

Lori Gust made a motion that the October 23rd meeting be held at Make A Cake on Fondren and Hillcroft. The motion was seconded and passed.

Meeting was adjourned. Judy Myers

October 23, 2007 - Meeting Minutes

Held at Make-A-Cake Bellaire, Texas

A wonderful Halloween demonstration was done by CJ Clay. He demonstrated how to make a witch and a spooky tree out of straws and ice cream cones. Good job, CJ.

Denise Talbot called the meeting to order at 10:30 am. She asked everyone to please sign the book so that they will get credit for attending the meeting. Denise welcomed everyone and they introduced themselves.

The minutes for September were passed around, read and approved. Kathy Brinkley made a motion that the minutes be accepted and Jan Hutto seconded the motion.

The treasures report was passed around. Helen gave the report and there is a total of \$9,363.56 in the bank. With income and expenses we have a total net income of \$2,731.18. Lori questioned why there were figures in red. Helen indicated those or not the final figures of the Maisie Parrish and Yvette Humbert classes. Helen also mailed a check of \$500 to the Breast Cancer Research Center. We have 88 members and 71 active members. A motion was made by Casey Marchan. And seconded by Betty Perrin.

Denise talked about the T-Shirts we still have.

Denise discussed the Club Logo for the Club. If you are interested in creating a design for the logo, it must be submitted by the end of November and will be in the December newsletter. You will be able to vote online or by mail and you can only vote one time. The winner will be announced in January.

The certificates from the Two Sister Classes were passed out by Denise.

The Yvette Humbert class is scheduled on November 11th and only 4 people are registered for her class. We need at least 6 more people. The deadline for money is due by the end of October.

Denise talked about the Maisie Parrish classes are getting full and we might need to consider having additional classes for the next 3 days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Kathy talked about having Maisie to come additional days. Lori mentioned that she we need to check with Maisie first to see if she could come extra days. She might have a minimum amount for an extra day.

Lori mentioned that Debbie Brown could not make the class in late October or early September. Discussed about moving the DOS event to accommodate Debbie Brown.

Casey talked about maybe having all the demonstrators and out of town guest to stay at a certain hotel. Wanted to have everything at the hotel verses where we had the DOS this year. Maybe we could have everyone together. Helen indicated that the Drury Hotel has small meeting rooms and you have to pay extra for all the equipment. Not cost effective.

Helen made a motion to change the DOS to September 14, 2008 to accommodate Debbie Brown and with a second choice of September 7, 2008. Kathy Brinkley seconded the motion.

Lori will get back with the club after verifying the date with Debbie Brown.

Denise mentioned that the January 22, 2008 club meeting needed to be changed one week before or after, due to the Maisie Parrish classes. Lori explained it would be better to have the meeting one week before. Kathy Brinkley made a motion to change the January meeting to January 15, 2008. Betty Perrin seconded the motion.

Denise spoke about elections will be coming up in February 2008. If you want to consider the position of an officer, let us know at January meeting.

Lori talked about **A Day with the Diva's**, January 20, 2008, at the Crown Plaza Hotel. Maisie Parrish and Toba Garrett will each show off their wonderful decorating techniques. Maisie will create a loveable character for the top of a cake, Toba will demo brush embroidery on cookies. Registration will be \$90 for the day, includes lunch. There will be raffles and vendors. Maisie and Toba will also have books to buy and sign. You can register on line and seating will be assigned when register... There is a link on Houston Cake Club web-site or you can go to www.Cakes@go2TheCakePlace.com.

Denise announced that Frost-A-Tiers will be having their DOS on November 4, 2007. It will be held at the First Colony Conference Center, in Sugar Land.

Denise announced that Sharon Zambito, a sugar artist from New Orleans had made a DVD on "Perfecting the Art of Buttercream". They are \$21.95 and if you want one, please see Denise after the meeting.

The raffle was won by Jan Hutto.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20.

Kathy Brinkley

November 27, 2008 – Meeting Minutes

Held at Larry's Arts and Craft Pasadena, Texas

Many thanks to Tina Belden for preparing a demonstration on Yvette Humbert's "Pleating on a cake", at the last minute. Tina and everyone else that took the class, said it was wonderful and a lot of fun. Yvette was a wonderful instructor and we hope to have her back soon.

Denise Talbot called the meeting to order at 11:00 Am., with 18 members present. She asked everyone to please sign the book so that they will get credit for attending the meeting. Denise welcomed everyone and thanked Maricela for all the wonderful food and snacks that she made... Maricela, you are going to spoil us.

The minutes for October were passed around, read, and approved. Shar Baker made a motion that the minutes be accepted and Kathy Brinkley seconded the motion.

There was no treasurer's report, due to Helen being sick.

Denise talked and reminded everyone about the Club Logo Art work. If you are interested in creating a design for the logo, it must be submitted by the end of November and will be in the December newsletter. You will be able to vote online or by mail. The winner will be announced in January.

Denise reminded everyone that our Christmas Party would be at Chabuca's Steaks and Rotisserie on December 11. There would be a gift exchange if you wanted to participate and play the game. You also need to e-mail or call Helen if you will be attending.

Denise talked about all the class coming up in January. Maisie Parrish will be here January 21, 22, 23. All classes are full except the Ballet Group Class, one class available. Also discussed, "A Day with the Diva's", January 20, 2008, at the Crown Plaza Hotel. Maisie Parrish and Toba Garrett will show off their wonderful decorating techniques.

Denise talked about the Day of Sharing and having Debbie Brown. Lori informed us that Debbie has confirmed she will be here the week of September 7, 2008, with 4 days of classes. That will fit her schedule. We need to change the DOS to September 7, 2008. Debbie also will send some suggestions and we can decide in January.

Kathy talked about having Yvette Humbert coming to teach a one day class on her pillow cake. Everyone talked about having Yvette here on March 23, 2008. Debra Singletary made a motion with Shar Baker seconded the motion. It was later discovered that day is Easter Sunday. Helen to e-mail Yvette and find a date for the class.

John Hartley talked about "Sweet Fields" a source of edible flowers. These are crystallized flowers you can add to your cakes. Check out their web site at www.Sweetfields.com.

Denise talked about the elections in January, with new Officers in February. If you want to consider the position of an officer, let us know at the January meeting.

Lori mentioned we had T-Shirts for sale. The raffle was won by Alice Lopez. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 pm.

Kathy Brinkley