NELG Meeting, 21 September

Attendees:

Vickie Armstrong Jim Martin

Rosalie Bares Barbara Morrow Rita Barthalomew Sharon Sacco Susan L. Benzer Doris Schick

Marjorie Dashef Winann Steinmetz
Patty Foley Luis A. Torres
Sharon Horen Bryce Wolf

Linda Lane

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 by Sharon Sacco. After introductions, she announced that there will be three business meetings, November, February (March snow date), and June.

Patty Foley gave the Treasurer's report for the year ending August, 2013. This was accepted by the group. [Note that this will be amended at the November meeting due to an omission.]

Sharon Sacco presented Patty Foley with a gift for her service as president. Patty also passed on the spangled gavel that is now a part of NELG tradition.

Patty Foley gave the Big E report. There were a total of 36 entries, including 1 youth entry. 11 first-place and 15 second-place prizes were awarded. Patty thanked Winann, Rosalie, and Jill for their assistance. The sponsors were thanked for their generous \$400 in awards. She thanked Sara and Jane of the Big E for their help. Finally, she thanked the volunteers who demonstrated at the Big E.

Sharon Sacco noted that there are 3 board positions available. Mary Linden has had to resign from the member-at-large position. We need someone to take over for the two year term. Both the clerk and librarian positions are available. Please consider taking part in the board.

The membership was reminded that Sr. Clare Bouchard has the snowflake and star project. The patterns are available on the website for now. Hopefully we will be able to see the collection at the next retreat.

Bryce Wolf announced the upcoming events. The October meeting will be a demonstration at Tower Hill Botanical Gardens in Boylston MA. People need to register so we can get a head count for chair. Please bring your botanical themed lace to display. Rita Barthalomew will teach netting at the November meeting. Registration will be required so materials are available. The December meeting will be the holiday party with an optional gift exchange. Please bring goodies.

[Meeting notes were recorded by Rosalie Bares and the minutes compiled by Sharon Sacco]