

The BMPA meeting was called to order at 6:05, November 10, 2011, at Clay Bank. Those attending were Norris Dalton, Cathy Hudson, Gailen Hudson, Martha Molina, Shirley VanHorn, Margery Shore, Kelley Wilks, Jerry Swenson, Ann James and Andrea Guidry. Minutes from October meeting were read and accepted as read. The treasures report was given by Cathy Hudson. The club began the month with \$314.79. Receipts were added of \$180, We had expenses of \$187.01 leaving us with a balance of \$307.78. The treasures report was accepted. Old Business: Empty bowls was successful again. Serina with Life Source came to the meeting and thanked us all for the bowls and our help. Around \$8,000 was collected during the Empty Bowls event. Thanks go out to all who brought bowls and helped in setting up and handing out pottery bowls. WE discussed our upcoming Annual Mt Sequoyah Pottery Sale and details were finalized. This will be held at Mt. Sequoyah Conference center, 150 NW Skyline Dr., Fayetteville, Ar. The dates are Nov 19-20. Friday night is our opening reception from 6-8p.m. Sat. times are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.,, and Sunday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.,. All participating are to bring finger foods for the opening night and Sat and Sunday. There are 10 potters that have paid their table fees. Friday morning Gailen and Nori will be getting the room ready for us to set up. WE can begin setting up our tables after this. Anyone else able to help will be welcomed. All areas are to be set up by 5 p.m. Friday, Martha Molina will bring the pot for cider and cider makings and the punch bowl. Andrea Guidry will get makings for the punch. Cathy Hudson is checking on the credit card machine . Remember to label each piece with you initials, Piece # and price on removable stickers. An inventory sheet of all pieces and numbers is to be turned in at the check out desk before the sale. WE are looking forward to a great Sale and good time together. If you are not participating this year please come by and see us!

New Business. We were pleasantly surprised and happy to have a visitor to our meeting , Ann James. Ann joined at meeting and will be one of the potters showing at our upcoming sale. A big welcome to Ann and to Norris ,who joined at our last meeting.

Gailen Hudson will host a Raku Party at the Clay Bank on Dec. 3 starting around 1 p.m, The price is \$10. Bring up to 3 pots , no bigger than 12" to glaze and rake. This is a pot luck, so bring food and drink.

Our annual Christmas Party will be Sunday , Dec. 11 at 1 p.m, at the Clay Bank. This is a pot luck also. Bring a wrapped pottery piece for the gift exchange if you wish to be apart of this.

Be thinking of ideas for our BMPA club for 2012. Lets see how we can grow this club and excite others to join . We have such an opportunity .