

Covington Quilter's Guild

Meeting Minutes from February 5, 2015

Linda Ferguson (Vice President) invited interested members to sign up for a pillowcase class/workshop taught by Sandra Fountain. The class will be February 24 from 10:30-4:30 at the Covington Library. Contact Linda if interested.

Kathy Scott (President) introduced our speaker, Pam Huffman, from PICC--a recipient of many of our Hugs quilts.

Secret Pal reveal was tonight.

Hugs (Lori George):

- There was a Hugs workshop Saturday that was very productive. Special thank you's to all who participated.
 - Lots of quilters flannel has been donated to the Guild so kits were made for the small receiving blankets/isolette blankets for PICC.
 - Some of the flannel was given to Mary Ann Baker and Brenda Blessing for the Fat Quarter Baskets at the Quilt Show
 - Some was given to Mary Willis for the Bazaar (proceeds will go to HUGS)
- Special thanks given to Paul and Dawn Shirron who have quilted over 80 quilts since December.
- There will be two challenges this year for Hugs.
 - One will be making bags for cancer patients to tote their quilts and stuff to/from treatments and will use decorator fabric that was donated and has been just taking up space. Kits are available.
 - The second challenge is to make quilts with disappearing 9-patch blocks or a twisted log cabin. Kits for these will be ready at the March meeting.

Quilt Show Update (Nicole Sedgwick):

- Patterns for the Quilt Show challenge are in and Nicole ordered two each of ten patterns. When those are gone, if you did not get a pattern and would like one, you can still order it, but on an individual basis directly from the vendor.
- Date cards are available that contain all pertinent dates for the Quilt Show and entering quilts. Be sure to get one from the Membership table.
- Bazaar needs a co-chair. The bazaar has grown tremendously and now really needs two people to manage it. See Nicole if interested.

Quilt Retreats (Theresa Wright): Camp Koinonia will now provide linens (sheets/blankets/towels) for \$8.50 for the entire weekend if campers are interested. When you sign up, notice that extra column to check if that is something you want.

Tips & Tricks (Peggy Strain): Buy replacement 45 mm rotary cutter blades at Home Depot, Lowe's, or Harbor Freight. They are much less expensive. You can also turn the blade so it faces the opposite direction to prolong the life of a blade.

Bazaar (Mary Willis): Keep bringing items for the Bazaar to the meetings. You can also contact Lori George who will be housing items for the auction/bazaar. Mary and Lori will be determining if some items will do better at the auction or at the bazaar based on past experience.

Orientation (Lori George): Orientations are held every other month. Next one will be after the March meeting. Please email Lori if interested in participating.

Treasurer's Report (Lori George for Theresa Bowes):

- Beginning balance was \$4915.95, and ending balance was \$2769.32. January is the month that the storage unit is paid for and also the Community Center--both big expenses.
- Capital One savings account balance is \$6464.

JoAnn Lee: JoAnn and Dawn are having a binding workshop for all of the Hugs quilts that have recently been quilted. Email JoAnn or Dawn if interested in participating so they will know how many to expect. The workshop will be Sunday, February 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It will be held at Taylor Creek Quilt Studio.

Mary Ann Baker:

- Fat Quarter Baskets for the Quilt Show
 - When you donate fat quarters, you will get tickets for the drawings also.
 - Please bring in your fat quarters! Small-medium sized baskets can also be donated.
- Kits available to help Mary Ann make small frog/bunny stuffed animals for Fircrest. She has 60 to make.
- Block of the Month winner for February (disappearing 9-patches) was Ada Kirmser.
- New Block of the Month is in honor of the Seattle Seahawks. If you did not get a pattern, it will be on the website.

Business Part of the Meeting (Kathy Scott):

- Motion to approve the January minutes as written was made by Carolyn Carnahan.
- Motion was seconded by Bailey Wilkens.
- Motion passed to accept the January minutes as written.

Facebook (Kathy Scott): The Board created a new position for a Chair. We have had two Facebook accounts for quite some time, one open and one closed. Because we want to get the word out that we have a great Guild, the decision was made to consolidate and maintain

an open group on Facebook. Jenni Gould has been the administrator of the account and will continue as the chair. The President of the Guild will also have administrator access. Both will monitor the account.

2016 Raffle Quilt--My Checkered Past (Kathy Scott):

- Kathy Wagner is unable to continue to chair this committee due to other commitments and problems with her eyes so Kathy Scott is going to take it on.
- We do need someone to chair the raffle ticket sales. The chair will oversee ticket sales and will coordinate the quilt's appearance at a variety of locations for the purpose of selling raffle tickets. See Kathy Scott if interested.
- Fabrics are cut already.
- Linda Ferguson has agreed to do a ¼ inch seam/stitch length workshop to make sure that those on this committee are staying consistent with one another. Date and time to be determined.

501(c)(3) status: the application has been filed. Now we wait.

Orphan Block Challenge (Lori George):

This year's challenge was to make a quilt out of a set of orphan blocks. The winner's were:

- 1st place Sandra Fountain, baskets
- 2nd place Bailey Wilkens, hearts
- 3rd place Ada Kirmser, food blocks

Important date:

- In order to enter items in the Quilt Show, must be a member by March 19.
- In order to be in the directory, must be a member by March 19.

Membership (Leanne Shipley):

- Request for a member was made to help man the Membership Table while Leanne takes the minutes for the meetings. Jill Ellis volunteered to help.
- Welcome to our guests: Paul Shirron, Janet Sue Terry, Pauline Taylor, and Vivian Chrisman
- Welcome our newest members Lynn Willis and Teresa Shover.
- Badge Prize this month went to Kathy Scott.

Hugs Prizes (Lori George): Every time a member participates in the making of a Hugs quilt, he/she gets to enter into this drawing. At the February meeting, the Grand prize winner is drawn. This year, there were additional names drawn also.

- Grand Prize Ann Serrine
- Prize winner Ada Kirmser
- Prize winner Dawn Shirron
- Prize winner Debby Parry-Evans

Respectfully submitted,

Leanne Shipley
CQG Secretary