

Covington Quilters Guild

General Meeting Minutes –

May 5, 2011

The meeting was opened by **Lori George** at 7 pm.

Treasurer's report is on the table. Any questions please call **Jenni Gould**.

It was moved by **Linda Ferguson**, and seconded by **Carolynn Carnahan** for the minutes to be approved as printed in the newsletter. Passed.

We have ***Quilters by the Bay*** with us this evening with a beautiful quilt that they are selling raffle tickets for. Please take some time to enjoy and pick up a ticket or two.

Upcoming events: June will be the turnover of the board and thank yous from Lori. July is final prep for the quilt show. August will be the picnic, for which we need a chairperson.

Laurie Shifrin, tonight's speaker, will talk about Color and Inspiration. She is a retired violinist, worked with the Seattle Symphony, is an author and pattern creator. The things that inspire her are nature and artists, with pond scum green being her favorite color. She uses wood, bricks, and the splendor of the great outdoors to fuel her quilt making. Her days are spent designing, playing with fabric, and sewing sometimes as much as nine hours a day. Her needle is changed every day, and machine cleaned every day. Now that's a lot of sewing!

Show and tell: HUGS, bags, Delectable Mountain, log cabin, and gifts galore.

Ballots were passed out to vote for our new officers. On the ballot are **Roxie Davis (Michel)**, co-president/vice president; **Sandy Bruce**, co-president/vice president; **Cheryl Evison**, secretary; **Carolyn Carnahan**, treasurer; **Lisa Marin**, treasurer.

Membership: we had several visitors and one new member attending our meeting tonight.

Our badge prize went to **Shirley Farnsworth**. Good job for wearing your badge! The "just because" prize went to **Victoria Jonas**. Hope you both enjoy your prizes.

A new phone book will be coming out in July. Please make sure that you have turned in any corrections to your address or phone number by the June meeting. Also check that we have a current and correct email for you, so that it will be accurate for the new phone book.

Presentation blocks: still collecting blocks are **Peggy Strain**, **Karin Wheeler**, and **Jill Ellis**. **Ada Kirmser** has a block available for people to do, so don't forget to pick a couple up and get them done for the next meeting.

Block of the month: the block this month is called a boxy star. We would like them to be white on white with a batik. **Mary Ann Baker** won the flag and eagle blocks from last month.

Workshops: there are no workshops scheduled at this time. Ada is taking over the workshop program, so please talk with her about any ideas that you have for future classes.

Make sure that you turn in your four-patches for this month. There is one month to go and then we will have a few months to make up a few treasures with all the wonderful four-patches that we have acquired.

Raffle tickets: these are available from **Sandy Bruce**. Please help us out by selling some to your friends and neighbors. We will be in need of people to sell tickets at **Shop Hop**, **Maple Valley Days**, and the **Maple Valley Farmer's Market**. There will be sign-up sheets available, for these and other opportunities for showing our raffle quilt and selling tickets for it.

Small quilt sales is in need of more quilts to be sold at the quilt show. Please bring them to the next meeting so that they will know what they have to work with and what more they will need to come up with.

New at Taylor Creek: the new appliqué society groups are starting, with a day group and an evening group. If you would like an application, contact Joanne Lee. The Quilts' of Valor program is being started. There is a need for people who will sign up to help others learn how to quilt. The quilts made from this program will go to local military programs. Upcoming classes include the on-going pillowcase challenge, which is a free program. Moda is on sale this month.

Orientation is Tuesday, May 10th at Taylor Creek Quilt Shop. If you are interested in a better understanding of our guild, please contact Joanne and let her know that you will be there that night at 7 pm.

HUGS: the next workshop is Sunday, May 15th, from ten till three or four, at Watgardens club house. Please bring your machine and help make our HUGS quilts. We are in need of people who will quilt, as well as piece the tops and make up kits. All help is welcome. Bring a sack lunch and enjoy some quilting fellowship.

Quilt show: the show itself is July 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. The chairpersons meetings are from 7-9, at Taylor Creek, on May 18th, June 15th, and July 13th. Everyone is needed to come to these meetings so that we can get the last details decided and ready. Drop off of finished quilts to Joan Calvery, will be between June 30th and July 8th. The bed turning will consist of patriotic and Americana quilts.

Total ballot count has elected **Roxie** and **Sandy** as co-president / vice president. **Cheryl** as secretary, and **Carol Carnahan** as treasurer.

A survey will be available next month to see what areas of improvement or change you would like to see.

Respectfully submitted,
Karin Wheeler