Covington Quilters

General Meeting Minutes

August 4th, 2011

There was a beautiful slideshow playing with many different photos from the Quilt Show!

The meeting was opened at 7 pm, by **Roxie Michel** who welcomed everyone and the meeting was started.

We immediately got to business with a motion by Karin Wheeler to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter. This was seconded by Joanne Lee and passed unanimously.

The new phonebooks were handed out a couple of meetings ago. If anyone has a change of email or home address or hasn't picked up their phonebook, please see Verene at the membership table.

Treasurer's report is on the table. If you have any questions, please talk with **Carolyn Carnahan** after the meeting.

Upcoming events:

September: Panel of speakers for Reproduction Quilts, guilt book exchange & 4 patch guilt show.

October: The Singing Quilters

November: Martha Steinborn on Color, Value and Placement, Part 1 (pt 2 in March).

All the members then went to enjoy the August Picnic! Thank you to everyone who brought a dish or dessert/drink or anything in general to contribute and thank you to the board for providing the chicken! It was delicious!

There are a few chair positions available at this time. There are new positions and then some of the old positions that are just open. Sign up sheets were passed around at the meeting. Chair holders are also encouraged to attend the board meetings. We want your input and appreciate your information.

The survey results are not completed at this time so there is no information to share currently.

A very big welcome to all of our guests! There were five guests this evening including Irene Moss, Gayle Marquez, Delanie Meener, DJ Forsythe & Mary Trude. We have one new member, Joleen Allen! Our badge winner tonight was **Peggy Baus**. Our door prize winner this evening was **Philo Bell**! Congratulations to both of you. The door prize will be drawn at the end of the meeting and it's replacing the "just because" prize.

Irene Moss delivered information in regards to volunteering for the APWQ show & gala. This event is August 26th-28th. The hours are as follows, Friday & Saturday: 10-6 & Sunday: 10-4. It's located at the Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center. The admission is \$10.00 per day or you can purchase a \$20.00 3 day pass. If you're an APWQ member it's \$10.00 for all 3 days. You can also access www.APWQ.org for more information.

Dianna Quick was presented flowers and a card for her fantastic work on the Hugs scrap book from Gail O'Hern and Patricia Bradshaw.

Quilt Show Wrap Up:

Thank you so much to Darlene Girton for doing a fabulous job chairing the 2011 Quilt Show! Darlene was presented with a \$150.00 gift certificate to Gene Juarez for some much needed pampering!

There will be a Quilt Show chair de-briefing meeting at Taylor Creek at 7PM. Bring ideas for next years show!

Darlene Girton and Cheryl Evison will be co-chairing next years show! The show dates have changed to be the 1st weekend in August 2012 and the theme should be announced next month. Darlene reported that Quilt Show numbers are up from last year! Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and participated in helping to make this a very successful Quilt Show this year! Darlene also shared a very touching story about a woman who lost her son on 9-11 and she was so grateful that we haven't forgotten and she was very moved by the community service quilt that was presented to the Covington Fire Department.

Please turn all of your receipts from the show into Darlene immediately in order to turn the books into the Lions.

Darlene honored all of the members that held a chair position with a certificate, ribbon and a Covington Quilters CD.

The Small Quilt drawing winner was Patty Schmidt!

The Small Quilt silent auction winner was Jill Ellis!

We had some door prizes remaining from the Quilt Show and the following members names were drawn at random as winners: Judy Von Bokern, Jana Colombi, Sandy Bruce & Leanne Shipley!

Jennifer Utley won the 2011 raffle quilt!!! Darlene presented it to Irene Utley who accepted the quilt on behalf of her granddaughter.

The quilts from the show were then displayed by the members and pictures were taken of each quilt.

Break

Misc Items:

The next board meeting is Thur Aug 18th from 6-9pm. Normally meetings will be held on the 3rd Thursday after the normal meeting to setup the next Guild meeting.

Karen Verner was elected by the board to create a committee to review the bylaws. There is a small group meeting soon and it will take approximately 6 months until they are finished. If you have anything you would like to see corrected, changed, modified, now is the time to let Karen know. The recommendations will be presented to the board, then to the members for discussion. One month will pass and then a vote will happen during a meeting.

The next board meeting will be Thursday August 18th from 6-9pm at the Maple Valley Library.

Lisa Martin & Gail O'Hern will be co-chairing Tips & Tricks! Lisa presented a couple great ideas at the meeting. The first was how to consolidate magazines. She made a binder with the patterns in sheet protectors and organized it by pattern or design! How creative! She also demonstrated how to clip things to drop leaves for easier assembly.

Philo Bell will be doing an **Embellishment Class** on 9/16/11 from 10-2 at the Maple Valley Library at no charge! On 9/23/11 Philo will teach **One Stroke Painting** at Sandy Bruce's house. The cost is \$20.00. On 10/21/11 from 12-4 there will be a **Hydrangea Class** as well! If you have any other ideas or need help learning a technique please see Ada.

Guild Programs & Other:

Presentation blocks: Nobody signed up for presentation blocks. Please see Jill Ellis to sign up. There are a lot of members eligible to present! Lori George is presenting in September.

Workshops: On September 16th from 10:00AM-2:00PM at the Maple Valley Library Philo Bell will be teaching a class on Embellishing and Beading quilts. Please see Ada Kirmser if you have any questions. Also see Ada if you would like to teach a class/workshop. We could always extra teachers and you get paid for the class!

Block of the month: 13 blocks were presented from last meetings block of the month. Kathy Trovesi won the drawing this month and the winner was drawn by Delaney. Next month will be an appliqué block with a falling leaf using a cream background.

Mystery Quilt: The final clues were given out in June so at this time you should have your final setup. Please bring your completed Mystery Quilt to the October Guild meeting. A new Mystery Quilt will be starting in January!

Block Exchanges: Everyone should have received their final bag of 4 patch blocks. Please bring your final quilt in November for show and tell! Karin and Dawn will be starting a new 9 patch exchange in January. The sign-ups will start going around during the November and December Guild meetings.

2012 Raffle Quilt Tickets: Kathy Trovesi has kindly volunteered to take over the raffle ticket sales! Please check out tickets and be willing to sign up for spots to sell tickets at various activities. Please see Kathy for more information.

Small quilts: No new information at this time.

HUGS: The Hugs total count at this time is 1302! Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time for this wonderful service. Thank you for quilting at the show as well! We still need a lot of help, especially with quilting the Hugs. Please see Lori George for any questions. Gail also found some 10 minute block patterns, kits will be available next month. The EQ7 software is available now and will be ready for use at the next workshop. The next Hugs workshop is Sept 18th from 10-4 at the Water Gardens. Also, please bring back the plastic bags, pins, patterns & extra fabric when you check out a Hugs kit. We can re-use everything.

A woman named Becky recently came into the Taylor Creek quilt shop recently and shared a story about her little girl Elliott who has an auto-immune disease that is attacking her body. The Hugs committee donated a quilt to her and also donated a quilt to be auctioned at a spaghetti feed on Aug 27th from 5-8 at the Maple Valley Community Center. All proceeds will be donated to the family to assist with medical costs. Please attend if you can to share in this wonderful experience of people coming together to support this little girl.

What's New at Taylor Creek: The Voice of the Valley did an article on the 911 banner on the front page! They also featured the Raffle Quilt! A list of available classes is on the table at the back of the room, please help yourself. Here are a few classes; Roxanne Carter-Girls Day Out! There is only room for a couple more people. The cost is \$25.00 plus materials. The supply list is in the shop and classes will usually be the last Friday of the month. The next is Aug 26th 10-1. Darlene Girton is holding her **Machine Quilting for Beginners** class on October 1st & 8th from 10-2 and it's \$55.00. The class is full but they are taking names for the waiting list. A book is required for the class and other materials are provided. Darlene Girton is also holding a Machine Quilting for Beyond Beginners class. Bring a finished top lap size or smaller so you can design your own quilting format. The class is Saturday Sept 10th from 10-2 or Sunday Oct 2nd Noon-4. The cost is \$50.00 plus a class book (already purchased from the Beginning class). Jenni Christensen is holding a Quilted Sweatshirt Jacket class. This is a 2 part class starting Sept 18th and finishing on Sept 25th both noon-4. The cost is \$60.00 plus materials and pattern. There is a sample in the shop to take a look at! Pineapple Paper Piecing with Irene Moss will be available on Saturday Sept 24th from 10-4 and is \$60.00 plus materials. The Million Pillowcase Challenge has been extended throughout 2011 so if you are still making pillowcases please turn them into the shop who will accept them on behalf of the guild and then will distribute to charities throughout the Puget Sound. Jenni Christensen will be hosting 1 more session on how to make a pillowcase Nov 5th from 6-9 and it's free! The Appliqué Society meets the 3rd Monday of the month. They offer both day and evening classes. There are two formed chapters, one will meet 10-1 and one will meet 6-9. Please see Joanne Lee if you're interested.

There is no scheduled orientation at this time. Please let either Joanne Lee or someone on the board know if you would like to attend in the future. If nobody calls, there will be no meeting.

Show and tell: There were several beautiful items including a Hugs quilt that utilized an antique sewing machine! The Show and Tell quilts were displayed in a different manner during the meeting by hanging them up for display and viewing. Please remember to not touch the quilts!

New/Upcoming Business/Misc Items:

The secret Pal questionnaire was given out during the July Guild meeting. Please be as detailed as you feel necessary to give your Secret Pal a chance to find the right things for you! Please either give the form to Helen or mail it to her. She has requested no emails please.

Please see Sandy Bruce if you have any ideas for future speakers.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Evison