

Covington Quilters

General Meeting Minutes ~ October 6, 2011

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 Lori George to accept the minutes as printed with the newsletter. This was seconded by Jill Ellis and passed unanimously.

Peggy Baus has volunteered to be the librarian for the Guild! Thanks Peggy!

Treasurer's report is on the table. If you have any questions, please talk with **Carolyn Carnahan** after the meeting. The storage was recently paid for the year. Bank balances were requested to be shown on the balance sheet.

The badge prize winner was Kathy Troveski!

The Guild enjoyed the wonderful performance put on by the Singing Quilter's! Thanks again for joining us!

Upcoming events:

November: Martha Steinborn on Color, Value and Placement, Part 1 (pt 2 in March). She has before & after pics to show the color difference.

December: Christmas party that is being chaired by Ada Kirmser.

January: Melody Crust on Boards.

Break

Misc Items:

The next board meeting is Thur Oct 27th from 6-9pm at the Maple Valley Library. Normally meetings will be held on the 3rd Thursday after the normal meeting to setup the next Guild meeting.

Karen Vernor has created a committee to review the by-laws. 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. Karen presented a few items during the meeting:

The group has met 4 times to discuss changes. The group is made up of steady members, the longest being a member since 1996. The concerns include changing the election date/time so they don't coincide so closely to the Quilt Show, re-clarify group purposes, transparency & accountability in how the guild handles the money and makes decisions regarding expenses and provide measure to smooth a board transition.

Lisa Martin & Gail O'Hern will be co-chairing Tips & Tricks! Lisa presented a couple great ideas at the meeting. The first was to wrap around paper tubes right side out & wrap in pillowcase. The second tip was to use a skirt to hang up to 12 small projects instead of putting them in bags or boxes. Makes for easier viewing & possibility of getting things done sooner. Lisa also shared to take a lint roller to the floor to pick up loose threads.

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!

Workshops: 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: Create an 8" finished block with the provided fall/Thanksgiving fabric.

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. 536 tickets were sold at the most recent venue!

Small quilts: No new information at this time.

HUGS: Pick up a one yard challenge bag, due in Feb at Hugs month. The next workshop is on 10/27/11 from 10-4 at the Anderson Barn. Also, please bring back the plastic bags, pins, patterns & extra fabric when you check out a Hugs kit. We can re-use everything.

Show & Tell: Jill Ellis won a ribbon at the fair!

New/Upcoming Business/Misc Items:

2012 Quilt Show: Darlene Girton announced the theme for next years quilt show as Breath of Fresh Air! The challenge fabric will consist of contemporary patterns utilizing seafoam fabric with magnolias.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Evison