



General Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2018

Call Meeting to Order - President Su Holmes 7:00 pm

Announcements/Information: Please silence your cell phones. It is very important that we be quiet for the speakers so that your neighbors can hear.

Approval of prior minutes as posted on the board: Approved.

Approval of the Treasurer's report as posted on the board: Approved.

Our Guild Family – Linda Pritchard

- **Shadows**

- Bonnie Jackson's husband Dennis, passed away on February 20. Please keep her and her family in your thoughts.
- Kate Griffith travelled to Wisconsin to attend the funeral of a family member. Please keep her in your thoughts.
- A Common Thread quilt shop closed as of February 27th.
- Pine Needle quilt shop is closing. Their final sale begins March 8th. Though they will no longer be engaged in retail sales, they intend to continue planning and hosting retreats.

- **Sunshine**

- Kathie Kerler is featured in the latest issue of American Quilter magazine. Her featured pattern, "A Little Zinnia," is based on her award-winning quilt, "Z Is For Zinnia, C Is For Cosmos."
- Cathy Erickson has had two quilts juried into the spring show in Paducah: "Friendship Flower" and "Summer Delight".
- Judith Phelps's "Kaleidoscope Trees" has also been juried into the Paducah show.

Unfinished Business

- **Auction** - Su Holmes: Recognized the effort of Kate Griffith and the Auction Committee and announced that they will report after the speaker. Announced that check out from tonight's silent auction will be after their report.
- **Quilt Show** - Wilma Scott: The quilt show is coming along. She shared the layout in the new, larger area and encouraged everyone to participate and sign up to help. They are looking for a golf cart and driver for those needing help from the parking lot. We will be using South Hall for parking for those with special needs. Wilma showed the fabric she created in Debby Potter's Saturday Workshop class. There are some spots left in her class at the show and encouraged all to sign up. Wheelchairs and a walker will be available at the First Aid Station. We are wanting to name our show, e.g. "Road to California". Please turn in your suggestions.
- **Judging Helpers** - Bev Woodard: They are looking for volunteers to assist the judges.

New Business

- **Lifetime Membership Awards Announcement** – Linda Pritchard: Sue Lanz and Diana Cruz were awarded Lifetime Membership and recognized with framed certificates. Both expressed how much the Guild has meant in their lives and how appreciative they were of this honor. Their contributions have been significant in making the Guild a success.

Introduction of our featured speaker: Carol Jacobsen introduced Sam Hunter of Hunter's Design Studio in Portland. Sam is scheduled for next year, but graciously stepped in at the last moment when our scheduled instructor was unable to attend due to severe illness.

Program: Sam shared an entertaining and enlightening lecture and trunk show highlighting her journey into and with quilting and quilt design. Her down to earth approach and encouragement inspired us to be ourselves as quilters. Quilters are as important and talented as any other craftsman with our sewing machines as our power tools. Quilting is supposed to be fun. There is no shame in hiring out or trading out the aspects you don't like or not as good at to focus on the things you want to do. She encouraged viewing the quilts with the thought of what we want for her class when she comes next year. The class is for us, not her, so we should decide.

She closed sharing her antique orange and white "Snail's Trail" quilt. It was beautiful. Yes if you look close the points don't match, the orange was shadowing, some layout marks and lines can be seen. Her message was "don't polish away the hand". Let your work reflect you and who you are. Save the polishing for entering for judging.

Speaker Thank You Presentation - Su Holmes Thanked her for filling in and giving such an excellent presentation. Su presented the traditional pin and mug. Sam indicated she had been coveting the pins all evening.

Committee Reports

- **Auction** - Kate Griffith and Sharon Bishop: Sharon recognized the effort of so many in making the Auction as success including 50 committee members on the team. She highlighted that much of the success must be credited to the hundreds of hours Kate put in. This year after the proceeds from the night's silent auction revenue is approaching \$20,000 with expenses less than \$1,000. Kate shared that the success of this year doesn't stand by itself. It is the result of the efforts of prior chairs and committees who have made each year bigger and better. Most of all it is successful because of you, the members of CCQ. "You make the items. You donate the items. And then you come and buy the items." Winners of the night's silent auction were announced.
- **Membership** - Su Holmes announced that we had 16 guests for the evening and current membership is 459. She also announced that scholarships are available to help offset next year's membership cost if needed. The form is available on the website.
- **Spring Retreat** - Meredith Reed: Retreat begins Wednesday with 35 attending. That will allow a little extra room for sewing (and having fun). Her committee has made it a success and are very appreciated.
- **Fat Quarters** - Sharelene Rainville: The "1930s Reproductions" were awarded. April's theme is "Babies and Children".
- **Lifetime Member Sponsored Door Prizes** – Lorraine Spreadborough: Awarded the door prizes.
- **Three for One** – Jackie Campbell: The drawing was held for the March shop, Cedar Ridge Quilts in Oregon City. The Three For One Shop for April will be Craft Warehouse.
- **Stash Bazaar** – Janice Harding Harris: One table is left to rent in the larger room. Several are still available in the entry hall. There will not be food available. We may possibly move the hall tables inside. Looking for someone next year to chair.
- **Block Contest** – Janice Harding Harris: Sold over 60 kits. Tonight was the due date. 30 finished blocks were turned in. We can't wait to see them hung at the show for voting.
- **Northwest Quilters Show** - Nancy Tubbs: Their guild president asked her to invite us to submit quilts for their show Mother's Day weekend in May. You don't have to be a member to enter. Information is on the website.
- **Saturday Workshops** – Jean Seale: Thanks to all. Great event. All teachers were great. Project Linus were wonderful, but this is their last year providing lunch service. She is looking for improvement suggestions. New instructors are desired and suggestions for new or repeat classes to provide. She needs an assistant who will take over after next year.
- **Quilt Show Baskets** - Debby Potter: Thanks for the donations and continue to provide them. They will be accepted right up to the day of the show.
- **Saturday Workshop - Debby Potter's Class**: Some of the attendees displayed the fabric they created.
- **New Member Services** – Colleen Garrison: The next tea is scheduled for May 6th at Fiddlesticks. Not just new members can attend. Current members can come and enjoy the company and help welcome the new members.
- **Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales** – Mary Dougherty: The Milwaukie quilt show is next on the list.
- **Saturday Workshop - Bev Woodard's Class**: She brought up her "bag ladies" to display their finished products.
- **Saturday Workshop - Lynn Czaban's Class**: Two of the pears were displayed.
- **Saturday Workshop - Terry Knott's Class**: An example was shown of the fun with machine quilting.
- **Saturday Workshop - Karan Brooks' Class**: An example of bobbin work was shared.

Show and Tell

Meeting Adjourned: 9:05 pm.

Next Board meeting: Thursday, March 29th, 6 p.m. at Clark Regional Wastewater District, 8000 NE 52nd CT, Vancouver, WA.

Next Month's General Meeting: Thursday, April 12th at Warehouse 23 at the former Red Lion at the Quay Ballroom, 112 Columbia Way, Vancouver, WA 98661

Dennis Morgan

Secretary