



General Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2018

Call Meeting to Order - President Linda Pritchard

Announcements/Information: Please silence your cell phones. It is very important that we be quiet for the speakers so that your neighbors can hear. If you must leave early, please do so quietly and out the back through the lobby. Please remember that your drinks need to have a lid. If you do have a spill, please notify Hospitality as soon as possible so we can deal with it.

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

Approval of the Treasurer's report as posted on the board: They haven't been approved by the board due to bank timing issues so we will hold approval until next meeting.

Recognition of Visitors, New Members, Returning Members, and Birthdays this Month

Our Guild Family – Rosanne Hatfield

- **Shadows:**

- Cheryl Hamrick's husband passed away,
- Candy Mackey lost her mother in November.
- Ruth Laabs fell and broke her shoulder.

- **Sunshine:**

- Susan Zook and her grandson both received matching grades in their college classes this last semester of A, B+, and B's.
- Bonnie Craig's grandson graduated with Honors from his college.
- Kate Griffith's youngest grandson learned to put his head underwater.
- Contessa Timmerman's son, Arthur, is at bootcamp in the army.
- There was some confusion last month that Jane Dudley's grandson Mark has passed away. He is alive, but has stopped quilting.

Announcements - Rosanne Hatfield:

- Applications to receive Opportunity Quilt proceeds are due in March.
- We have been asked to help display quilts at a memorial on Saturday, 1/12. Help is needed starting at 11:30 am at Bonaventure 2nd floor.

Unfinished Business

- **Constitution and Bylaws/Policies and Procedures Review** - Linda Pritchard: The committee has completed their work and the documents are in final edit. They will go next to the Board for review and edit.

Thank You - Linda Prichard: Thank you cards received from California were distributed to members who had sent or taken quilts down.

Introduction of our featured speaker: Sharleen Rainville

Program: Sam Hunter returned with a presentation, "A Brief History of Word Quilts". As before, Sam provided an entertaining and informational discussion. She opened sharing her recent health issues. She indicated some of the slides she showed would have "political" overtones. She then likened them to shopping for vegetables when you don't like okra. Just ignore it and pass it by. Quilting began in Europe when ladies began copying Indian bedspreads known as palampores in the 18th century. Later young girls were taught needlework using numbers and letters and sayings that taught morals. Quilts became a historical document and among the first to recognize women. The "American Frugal Housewife" was "Dedicated to those who are not ashamed of economy." It emphasized the recycling of textiles as one of its precepts. Women stepped up during the Civil War to provide blankets, clothing, bandages, etc. They generated \$25 million in contributions to the United States Sanitary Commission. This included introduction of fundraiser quilts. Friendship quilts with signatures and sayings became popular, much like texts and Facebook today. Word quilts provide an ideal medium to prick our conscience. There is a display of quilts by the Portland Modern Quilt Guild, "Outspoken: Modern Quilts", January 14 - March 15 at PSU Lincoln Hall. In conjunction, Sam will present an expanded version of this talk. It is in the Lincoln Recital Hall, 1620 SW Park Avenue, Ground floor, Room 75. It is Tuesday, January 29, 2019 - 5:30pm to 6:30pm with a reception to follow in the Broadway Gallery, Lincoln Hall. Sam concluded with her always enjoyable trunk show which included her latest patterns.

Speaker Thank You Presentation - Linda Pritchard

Committee Reports

- Linda Pritchard reminded us that the Auction works best when we have lots of quality items. We were also reminded that it works best when we show up with our cash and checkbooks.
- **Programs and Workshops** - Sharlene Rainville: There is a scholarship available for the workshop on Saturday. Alvera Gaskins jumped at the opportunity. Next month is the Auction. March is Lynn Czaban. May is Mel Beach with two, full day, workshops Friday's "A Slice of Improv" and Saturday's "Walking Foot Wow".
- **New Member Service** - Colleen Garrison: She recognized the several new members joining. The next Tea will follow the Quilt Show at Just for Fun! Quilting.
- **Hospitality** – Susan Zook: Big thanks to Jim Scheurman for handling setup. Next month's treats are from L and M. Members mentioned they would appreciate some non-sweet alternatives.
- **Saturday Workshops** – Jean Seale: Ochre is great! 3 or 4 of the workshops are filled. Over 60 have signed up. A big thanks to all who are helping and particularly to our instructors. We need 4 or 5 to help with setup and take down who can handle the heavy tables.
- **Quilt Show First Aid** – Jean Seale: Need volunteers. It doesn't have to be boring just sitting in the booth. You can walk around and they will page you when needed.
- **Fat Quarters** – Daune Spritzer: 50 participated with 10 bundles awarded. In March it is all shades of green or with green in it. None in February due to the Auction.
- **Stash Bazaar** – Diana Stack Roberts: The Bazaar is in April. We are now taking checks for tables.
- **Three for One** – Karen Streeter: Ticket sales were \$249 and thanks to Fiddlesticks for the prizes.
- **Challenge** – Sonja Hughes: Entries are due next month. Use the special exhibit entry form available on the website. There is no fee.
- **Library** – Ada Levins: This year we have generated \$578. The library is officially closed.
- **Fiber Arts Education** - Sharon Brainard: Four applications were received in this round. All were accepted and their details will be shared at the Auction. If you know of a deserving group, there will be a second round of applications accepted beginning now. They are due by April 11th either at the General Meeting or postmarked by then.
- **Quilt Show** – Arden Shelton: The show is March 28-30. Only a few applications have been received so far. Entries are due February 7th. The website has the forms. Trish Peters has stepped forward to put together the program.
- **Pins & Promotions** – Kathy Powell: There are five cups and approximately 75 pins left.
- **Quilt Show Classes** – Kathy Powell: Classes are available for sign up. Information will be up on the website shortly.
- **Memorial** - Roseanne Hatfield: Still looking for help on Saturday.
- **Auction** – Kate Griffith: The Auction is February 7th. Lots of activities and maybe a few surprises during the live auction. We would appreciate additional non-quilt items to add to those already received. We will be implementing a faster check out procedure.

Show and Tell - We had several great quilts shown.

Retreat/Spring – Su Holmes: We are full, but do have one person looking to swap their spot. The detail information will be sent out about Groundhog Day.

Announcements - Linda Pritchard:

- Before you leave, please check around your seat so you don't forget something. Pick up any of your remaining free items left at the table. Also pick up your plates, etc. from Hospitality. Turn on your cell before leaving.
- Remember the Auction.
- The library will now dispose of any remaining books. You may take any remaining on the table without charge.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:40pm

Next Board meeting: Wednesday, January 30th, 6:00pm, at VFD Station #9 Fisher's Landing, 17408 SE 15th St, Vancouver

Next Month's General Meeting: Is the Auction, Thursday, February 7th at Adventist Community Church, 9711 NE St Johns Road, Vancouver, WA 98661