

## February 9, 2023 Business Meeting

Meeting called to order at 10:05. There were 36 members present. 3 visitors: Mindy D, Barb T and \_\_\_\_\_.

A new Get To Know You session was held for the first fifteen members in which members were assigned to a numbered table and were given suggested questions for members to begin to learn more about each other.

Birthdays celebrated: Brenda P and Jan R. Each lady received a cupcake.

The Guild received a thank you note from Rev. Tommy Ward of St. Mark's United Methodist Church for the 20 quilts that were donated at the end of 2022.

**Secretary's Minutes** for January 2023: A motion to accept was made by Brenda P and seconded by Lissa A. Motion was approved.

**Treasurer's Report** for January 2023: No report was sent due to computer issues, but the Treasurer made an oral report. A motion to accept was made by Jeanna D and seconded by Lynn D. Motion was approved. Dues needed to be made today or arrangement with the Treasurer made if they can not be made.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Sunshine** – Betty K reported that she is sending out hearts and asked the members to continue to make them and deliver them to her.

**Setup & Take Down** – Due to Lynn K's absence, Kitty reported there were signups still needed through June and to please sign up.

**Charity quilts** – Karen Dye reported that she has 4 kits for long armers. There was also a discussion about the amounts paid to the long arm quilters and that it was used for thread supplies. The amount is \$50 and that usually covers 3-4 quilts per long armer. Anyone with a long arm quilt machine is welcome to volunteer for quilting of charity and those efforts are much appreciated by the guild.

Karen S also stated that they could use a few more quilters to help with the sandwiching of charity quilts and to contact her if anyone has time. The Quilting Bees provides the batting and backing for the charity quilts but if possible, would like to have the binding to the quilt provided at the same time as the charity quilt top is provided. It is helpful to have the binding but not required. The binding can be 2.5 or 2.25 inches.

Rebecca Q stated that she can help with the long arm quilting.

**Hospitality** – Sue P noted that the lunch was provided by Joyce, Ann M, Susie G, Connie, and Cynthia D. She asked for March and April signups for lunch. Sue also mentioned that there is now coffee and tea provided to the members for the meeting.

**Programs** – Barb P announced the winner of the Jan Block Lotto: Lori S. She also noted that the February directions were on the back table and would be posted on the website.

Barb P also noted that the Riley Blake BOM Block 5 is now due. The ones after Block 5 are not out yet. This is a charity quilt project for the guild and we are using the alternate fabric. This is a single quilt so only those who signed up to do this are getting the fabric and instructions. If you would like to participate in a future charity BOM quilt, let Barb P know.

Secret Sister – These are still being signed up. Basically, you put your name in and then draw a name. You then send a card on the secret sister's birthday and there will be a table for exchanges at each meeting for items (i.e., leave something for the secret sister to find there but not mandatory or expected to be each month). The reveal of who your secret sister is will be in December.

Barb P noted that after March's business meeting, we will be making design boards. Please see the website for supplies needed for this project. See also the website for upcoming programs and supplies needed for those upcoming programs.

### **Old Business**

**Charities:** There was a discussion of charities – existing and potential charities for the Quilting Bees to support:

1. St. Mark's – continued to support Red Bird Mission
2. Quilts of Value (Pam and Ann) – will have an April sit and sew so that we can send out 1-2 quilts
3. Project Linus – will take all sizes – Mid South Sewing will deliver these at different times
4. Good Shepherd's Children's Home – Lynn D. noted that they need lap quilts for about 18 children aged 1-17 (11 males and 7 females). The director would like to have all 18 quilts at one time. Lynn has a signup sheet plus we are looking at what we have stored that might make sense for this.
5. Hospice – Charlotte handles the requests from them and it is normally 3-5/year

A motion to support all of the above was made by Kitty M and seconded by Cynthia D. The motion was approved.

**Power Strips:** We had a discussion about power strips and keeping everyone safe. There are long power strip cords that were purchased last year that can be used or we may need to buy more. We also discussed buying plastic guards to go over cords on the floor instead of using duct tape that the church might object to. Towers and reels were determined to be too expensive. No motion was made on this but is still under consideration.

**Quilt Show:** The Ag Center has limited dates available for rent in March and April 2024. We also still need to have a chairman or co-chairs to organize the quilt show. After discussion, a motion was made by Kim L and seconded by Annette to reserve the dates of March 14-16, 2024 for our quilt show. The motion was approved.

**TVQA:** There was discussion about TVQA and how much of our dues go to that organization. There is a meeting for Feb on Friday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and we need to have two members at each meeting so that we receive \$150 back from TVQA each year. Carol B and Barb P are going to this meeting.

TVQA has several benefits such as Assembly Day, a library, retreats, and seminars (the next one is May 31-June 1, 2024 which will be held at Middle Tennessee Christian School in Murfreesboro).

**Door Prizes** were won by Chris M, Jane S, Shirley S, Connie T, Phyllis P and Bonnie W.

**Block Lotto** was won by Lori S.

**Show and Tell:** The quilts were lovely and a wide range of styles/patterns. Please see the website for pictures.

Jeanna D: Pat Sloan Love Notes quilt, Christmas (Glad Tidings), a red, white, and black quilt for her grandson, a Turning Twenty variation, a green, gray, red and orange sew along quilt and a goat quilt in pajamas.

Jane S. had her A-Ma-Zing quilt.

Cynthia D showed her Pat Sloan Christmas quilt, 2 baby quilts, a Valentine table runner, and Plat Sloan traffic jam quilt.

Karen D showed three charity quilts – two made by Shirley S, and one which was donated but the maker wasn't known. She also showed her Chillhowie quilt.

Lynn D showed us all what she's been doing with the 2 ½ inch blocks she's been gathering – a scrappy quilt and a scrappy quilt with a star center.

Pam R showed her A-Ma-Zing quilt top and a blue table runner.

Paula B showed her One Block wonder using a Peacock panel.

Trish E showed her Twinkle Star quilt.

Natalie showed a quilted bag, a few blocks, and her egg basket.

We were all amazed at the variety of color combinations and ingenuity of our members.

The meeting was adjourned at close to 12 noon. Lissa A made the motion and Lori seconded. Motion was approved.

After lunch, members stayed to work on charity quilts.