

Friendship Knot Quilters' Guild November 16, 2015

President Karen Clark, at the Bahia Vista Mennonite Church, called the November meeting of the Friendship Knot Quilters' Guild to order at 7:00 P.M. Karen welcomed members and guests. Everyone was encouraged to check the tables at the entrance for news of quilt related shows and events. Karen thanked the Savvy Saturday Sisters cottage group for welcoming members and guests at the door tonight. Karen mentioned that Beth Donaldson of the Michigan State University Museum who is asking if anyone has a quilt or quilt-related story associated with health and wellbeing contacted her. If you would like to make a contribution to this project (a book) please contact Karen for further information.

Karen reminded members that the Board meeting for November has been changed to November 19 and the next meeting will be in January.

The Mancuso Quilt Show will be in January. If anyone is interested in organizing a bus trip, please let Karen know.

Treasurer's Report: The budget will be posted to the website. The Board has approved the 2016 Budget and it will be voted on at the December meeting.

1st Vice President: Elva reported that the grant proposal she wrote and submitted to the NQA was not funded. Thanks, Elva for all the effort you put into that.

2nd Vice President: May Nissen announced that the Holiday Party to be held on December 14 at 6:00 will have a different menu, and will include salad, chicken and lots of pie! There will be a Chinese auction, with money going to a local food bank.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Linda reported we have 360 members, 12 people joined the guild tonight and there are 12 guests present.

Class Registrar: Barbara said to please check the roster on the website and class registrations may be mailed to Barbara Jeffries. If you are thinking of taking the Sharpie scarf ½ day class, please sign up ASAP as the teacher must order supplies soon.

Newsletter: The deadline for submissions is November 24.

Library: Ellen has ordered several books authored by teachers we have coming in 2016. Enjoy! There is also a DVD by Pat Pauly, who is teaching in January.

Friendship: Let Bev Wiberg know if there is a member who is ailing or grieving so she can send them a card on behalf of the guild.

Cottage Groups: Please let Terri Reiman or Sue Brown know if you are interested in joining a cottage group and they will try to organize a group around your interests or find one that has room for you now.

Kidz Quilts: Once again, their dedication to this much appreciated charity work is very impressive. Please see the report in the newsletter.

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Quilt Show: Pat and Elva are the Quilt Show Chairs. There are several changes to the rules that everyone needs to be familiar with. Some of these are as follows:

Quilts made from kits will be accepted, but will not be judged.

There will be 2 size categories, rather than 3 that we have had in the past.

Standard: up to 300" perimeter, and Large: over 300" perimeter.

There will be 3 categories of quilters:

Emerging: has won 0 or 1 ribbon in any quilt show

Established: has won 2 – 4 ribbons in any quilt show

Accomplished: has won 5+ ribbons in any quilt show

There will be a new category: Modern quilts

Quilted clothing category has been eliminated

All of the rules will be made available; these are just the major changes.

There are still a few openings for some quilt show committee chairs.

A home for quilt "drop off" a couple weeks before the show is needed.

Member of the Year: Marlene is accepting Member of the Year votes, which will be announced at the Holiday Party next month.

Old Business:

Bette Behanna, Delores Simpson, Karon Clay, Sue Balazs, Jann Warfield, Cathy Lane and Becky Yoder presented a trunk show of members' quilts to residents of 12 Oaks Memory Center. Thank you!

Rose Ryan will have a display at the Holiday Party of the Multi Guild Challenge: The Crayon Challenge. Check out the results, which are sure to be beautiful.

New Business:

Slate for Election of officers:

President: Karen Clark (1 year)

1st Vice President: Jann Warfield/Elva Farrell (2 years)

2nd Vice President: Ellen Simon (2 years)

Treasurer: Joy Abbott (2 years)

Secretary: Delores Simpson/Marcia Slocum (1 year)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43.

Flavin Glover was the speaker tonight.

Show and Tell followed.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Slocum,
Secretary

