

SGQG Business Meeting Notes

June 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by President Sue Green, with board members Pat Bjerke and Rochelle Bess, Vice presidents, Barb Miller, Treasurer, and Debby Sweeten, Secretary, in attendance.

Welcome Ladies and Gentlemen and **Pledge of Allegiance**

Reminders – Parking, Name Tags and cell phones on silent.

Introduction of New Members and Visitors:

Lois Brand introduced her friend (and potential member) Pat Carr. Pat Bjerke introduced her friend Ginny Stebbins. Past member Mary Mahoney introduced herself and Jan Boeme from the Mother Lode Quilt Build introduced herself (she is here to take Schatzi's class).

Announcements and Communications:

Sue asked if anyone went to Martha Phillip's memorial service on Monday June 13. Aieleen Parker came up and shared her thoughts about the service. She and several other guild members attend the service. They received a warm reception from the family and were given a tour of the house in which many of Martha's quilts were displayed.

Sue read a thank you from Amador STARS for the donation of 131 chemo caps last month.

Sue announced that she will not be at the July meeting. Pat Bjerke will be the acting president for that business meeting.

Minutes – the minutes from the May meeting were approved as posted in the June newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: There was a balance of \$15,197.00 as of the end of May.

VP Reports – Pat and Rochelle presented information about upcoming workshops.

Today Schatzi is doing a pre-workshop for her workshop tomorrow. They are painting leaves today so that the paint will be dry for tomorrow.

There was a request to provide one night's housing for an instructor for the October class. Sandy Honnold raised her hand and said she could provide housing.

Upcoming workshops:

Barbara Heard: **July 13.** She will be presenting a workshop on Happy Villages. There are several examples displayed on the workshop table. There is a supply list also on the table.

Anelie Belden: **August 10.** There is a supply list on the workshop table.

Michelle Peerson: **September 14th.** She will only be doing a workshop on that Wednesday.

Kristin Echols: **October 12th.** Her supply list is also on the workshop table.

Scarlett Rose: **November 9th.**

Tracy Brookshire: **December 13th.**

Committee Reports

The group that designed and quilted the Opportunity Quilt for 2016 has the ticket packets available for everyone. They also have some new close up pictures of the quilting on the quilt for anyone to take. Please come and pick up your tickets at the break. There are still quite a few tickets that have not been picked up yet. The opportunity quilt has been scheduled to travel to several different guild meetings this year. The quilt has been entered into the Amador County Fair.

The 2016 opportunity quilt group has also scheduled some visits into 2017 for the next opportunity quilt. The two groups need to coordinate on the visits already scheduled for 2017.

Anita McGee-Hunt discussed the country store for the quilt show. Barb Miller had a friend donate fabric which was given to the 2017 quilt show committee. Anita had a plastic bin of the different fabrics that had been cut up into different sizes, from 1 yard pieces to 2 ½" wide strips. She shared a standardized color coded system to identify the different sizes, which in turn determines the price for each kind of fabric cut. She will use an Excel spreadsheet to show the prices of everything. This should simplify the pricing of all the fabric for the country store. She plans to roll the strips into "Sierra Gold Rolls". The guild plans to hold a country store workshop in April 2017 to prepare fabric for the show.

Sue reviewed the list of committees for the 2017 quilt show. We will need to update/change the signs for the quilt show since we are now doing a Friday and Saturday show. Five more committee chair positions were filled. Sue discussed some of the work required for the raffle baskets. About 2 months before the show, hold a basket party to fill up the baskets. There

was a discussion about getting donations from online stores, etc. for the baskets but most online stores do not provide free donations anymore.

Sam King is back from vacation and plans to update the SGQG website. He will put the correct dates of the 2017 quilt show on there and will post the meeting notes and newsletters from the past few months on there also.

Joan Smith discussed the Amador County Fair quilt entries. The deadline to submit the application and fees for your quilts is **July 5th, 2016 at 5:00pm.** The theme for the fair is “Saluting the Heroes Among Us”. Joan brought the entry forms to the guild meeting today. Make sure you designate the right category on your application. You can also go online to submit your application.

Joan also asked the members how many of them have projects ready for the fair right now – about 10 people raised their hands. She encouraged more people to submit their quilts/projects. The prizes for some of the categories have increased this year. The date to deliver your quilts to the Pokerville Hall is **Saturday, July 23rd, between 10:00am and 4:00pm.** The date to pick up your quilts is **Monday, August 1st between 10:00am and 4:00pm.**

The quilts will be judged on Sunday, July 24th, starting around 9:00am.

Penny Dominici is the committee chair for the white glove duties at the Amador County Fair. Debby brought the signup sheet today – it is on the workshop table. She would like to see some new faces helping with the white glove duties. Please signup. Each shift is 4 hours. There was a question about shorter (2 hour) shifts – Debby will check with Penny on this question.

Old Business:

Facilities:

We are moving to the Mt. Zion Church starting in July. Pat Bjerke cleaned up the shelves in the storage locker and now we have some empty shelves to move to the Mt. Zion church for storage. Sue suggested to Jakki Schatz (our hospitality chair) to bring all of our coffee/tea supplies for this first meeting until we figure out what the church has for this set up. Several of the board members will meet at the Mt. Zion church before the next meeting, to see how the room is set up for our meetings.

The meeting room is on the lower level. You can park in that lower area. Please save the close-in parking for people that have mobility issues.

Show and Tell and Mini Quilt Show –today's theme is Crazy Quilts.

Round Robin quilts – Pat provided new direction for the quilt blocks. This month, make your borders so that the quilt becomes a rectangle (make the top and bottom borders bigger/wider). Everyone shared their borders and then exchanged their block for another block. Remember to put your name on a ticket and put it into the container for the December drawing.

Raffle: Hilde went over the raffle items for today.

Break: please get your opportunity quilt ticket packets, sign up for quilt show committees, check out the sign-ups for workshops and buy your raffle tickets.

Presentation: Pat Bjerke did a presentation on borders. She brought a bunch of her quilts and went through each one, discussing the different kinds of borders she included in her quilts.

Here is a list of some of the types of borders she uses: flying geese, on-point squares, French braids, strips, different width borders and different widths of borders to make rectangles, half-square triangles, piano keys (2 ½" widths), 1 – 2" squares, chevrons, cones, squares in the corners, flanges, strips on a diagonal, etc. Need to be careful of bias cut borders. She suggested using solid color borders to make corrections in size.

One of her quilts had 18 borders!

Raffle drawing

Winner of the free workshop: Sarah Hart - congratulations!

Questions/Suggestions: Valerie Bonkowski had a suggestion regarding cancelling workshops. If a workshop is short the minimum number of sign ups prior to the cut off date, maybe send out a message to the members asking if anyone else is interested in signing up for the workshop. Sue thanked Valerie for her suggestion and said that the board will discuss it.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:15pm.

Clean up/Set up for class tomorrow.

Submitted by Debby Sweeten, Secretary.