

Friendship Knot Quilters' Guild General Meeting October 20, 2014

The October meeting of the FKQG was called to order by President Karen Clark at the Bahia Vista Mennonite Church on October 20, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. New members and guests were welcomed and everyone reminded to check the tables at the entrance for information of quilt related events. President Clark announced that the speaker would go first tonight and the Business Meeting and Show and Tell would follow.

Mary Nissen, 2nd Vice President introduced Virginia Swanson, who gave a very interesting lecture on "Journal Quilting." Virginia explained how she got into journal quilting and the importance of telling your "story."

The meeting followed, starting with thanking the Hidden Stitches for hosting the meeting tonight.

The Minutes of the meetings are on the Website and were approved.

Elva Farrell, 1st Vice President, gave an update on the classes. They are filling up quickly. Members can check the website for information on classes and to see if there are still openings. There are still some openings in Pat Sloan's classes next month. If you will be taking Kathy McNeil's class in January, Let Elva know which pattern you would like to have for the "Wonderful World of Landscape Quilts" class.

Thirteen more quilts were turned in for Quilts for Cruisers. These are very much appreciated. Keep them coming!

Committee Reports:

Membership: 131 of the 321 members were in attendance tonight and there were 6 guests here as well. Next month the 2015 membership forms can begin to be turned in.

Newsletter: The next deadline for submissions is October 24th.

Historian: The old photo albums are out on the table this month and will be out next month. Please take photos that you might like as we are unable to save all of these pictures. The remainder will be destroyed except for a few examples. We are now digital with our photos.

Quilt Show: To be eligible to enter quilts in the show, you must have been a member in 2014 and have paid your dues for 2015. Ann reported that due to an oversight, we still have room for a few more vendors at the show. The \$1.00 price was inadvertently left off the raffle tickets, but they are \$1.00 each. (or 6 for \$5.00). Door Prizes—Sue Balazs thanked those who have brought in gently used or new

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quilt related items that will be used for door prizes. She can use more of these. Quilt entry forms will be accepted beginning at the November meeting. Reminder to everyone to make sure your name and the name of the quilt is on the back of the two photographs of the quilt you are entering. Those who are working on a challenge quilt may turn them in ahead of time or they may take them to the “turn-in-house” on the day all of the other quilts are being turned in. Block Auction: Need more of these! They are very popular with quilt show attendees, so please continue to work on this project. Mini Quilt Silent Auction: 40 quilts have been turned in so far—need 100 total. Baskets: Hold off on perishable items but other items are being accepted.

Old Business: Bette Behanna, Jann Warfield, Cathy Lane, Delores Simpson and Sue Balazs will be giving a presentation of a trunk show of quilts to a local nursing home and sharing the quilts and listening to the residents stories about their quilt making this month.

Jane Sanks invited everyone to work on dog beds at the Red Cross on Friday, October 24 from 1-3 PM.

New Business:

Slate of Officers for 2015: The current officers have all agreed to serve another year. Anyone wishing to submit their name to the slate, however, may do so.

Member of the Year: Marlene Kurtz, our 2013 member of the year is accepting nominations for the 2014 Member of the Year who will be announced at the December meeting. Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.

Holiday Party in December: The meeting will be held on the second Monday of the month, which is December 8. Tickets for the dinner are available tonight and at the November meeting at \$15.00 per ticket. Dinner to be catered by Der Dutchman.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Show and Tell followed—many beautiful quilts!

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Slocum, Secretary

