

## **CBQ Minutes ~ February 4, 2020**

5:37--President Jan Benson called the meeting to order.

Membership—24 members present, including new members Dawn B., Julie F., Peggy H., and Lu O. Candy W. attended as a guest, but left as a member! It's terrific that our guild is growing!

Secretary's Report—January's minutes were posted on the web site.

Treasurer's Report—Amber reported the guild balance as \$3,198.56, which includes our \$300 cushion, and \$862.94 in QOV funds. We have \$512 remaining from the Elk's donation, which needs to be spent by the end of March.

Communications Report—Karen will send out our updated roster and snack schedule via email. She also reported that the Facebook posts have increased communication within the community (as was evident at our recent QOV Sew Day), and that this method is also a great way to let the community know of our service projects.

Quilts of Valor—Jan S. reported that 17 members and 7 guests attended the 2/1 Sew Day. Many were making 12.5" blocks or entire quilt tops to donate to a group in Hayward that has committed to making quilts for all of the soldiers in the 829th National Guard Unit that was recently deployed. Completed blocks were on display at the meeting.

Jan requested that as we move forward, any quilt top donated for veterans should include the following information: name of the piecer, dimensions of the top, and whether or not it is wanted back to do the binding.

We already have 7 (possibly 8) quilts for our fall presentation.

Individual QOV dues of \$15 due at this meeting. This membership carries benefits, but is not mandatory, as the Guild is a member.

Name Tag Drawing—Charlie W won.

Sunshine—February birthdays were numerous! Penny, 2/1; Sheri, 2/2; Sue, 2/8; Dawn, 2/17; Peggy, 2/21; Karen, 2/24; and Jill C, 2/28. Nancy W's birthday was 1/30.

Old Business—Jill S reported on the 2020 UFO Challenge. Rules have been posted and participation is voluntary. There was discussion, and Jill answered questions. Project lists from those participating will be due to her by the end of February.

Charlie asked for input as to how best to use the fabrics donated to the guild at the Missouri Star Birthday Bash last fall. Discussion followed, and the following ideas were proposed: a quilt donated to New Day Advocacy Center; a quilt donated to the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center; smaller projects donated to the Washburn Library for the September Gala's silent auction. It was mentioned that a sewing day could be

dedicated to this project.

That provided a perfect segue into Jill C's report of our next two sewing days at the library: 4/18 and 6/27—both on Saturdays from 10:00-2:00, with a pot luck luncheon.

Candy Webb from Harbor View Event Center discussed three upcoming events of interest to quilters:

Barn Quilt Paint and Sip ~ 2/28; Harbor View Quilters' Retreat ~ 2/27-3/1; and Bali Wedding Star with Donna Mather ~ 3/24-29. Details are available on their web site.

New Business—Because our group is growing, the business portion of our meetings is becoming longer. From this point forward, it will be important to contact President Jan with any business items so they can be scheduled and put on the agenda.

Jill S. will contact Laura Berlage about scheduling a needle felting class for those interested. It would probably be held on a Saturday (3 hours ~ \$35.00).

Deb M received a donation of materials for a block-of-the-month quilt with laser cut floral designs. The group voted to accept the donation, after Sue so motioned, and Sheri seconded. The 56" x 51" quilt could be one of our sewing day projects, and could be a raffle item.

Deb also brought a large box of plates, napkins, and miscellaneous items from the quilt show a few years ago. She's been storing them, and they are now in need of a new home.

Snack Break—Both sweet and savory snacks provided by Deb M and Karen

#### Show and Tell / 12 x 12 and PIP

Deb A—Banner for grandchildren

Kaci—new name tag and completed snowman banner

Lu—showed a completed a quilt started years ago with fabric from the 1980s; and her invention for skiers that she calls “Granny Lu's Butt Chaps”

Jill S—showed her barn quilt painted on canvas

Jill C—chair casters with a tennis ball, which convert a four-legged chair into a roller

Sue—2 scrappy quilts

Lucy—a quilted postcard, fabric popover, potholders, and a participation T-shirt from Bayfield's recent dog mushing event

Program—Charlie presented an informative program on barn quilts—both sewn and painted. She displayed the Barn Again quilt that local quilters made for Smithsonian's 2003 project; gave a brief history of barn paintings dating back to Pennsylvania Dutch hex designs in the 1800s; discussed the barn trail project in Adams County, OH; and showed a video of the recent barn trail project in Shawano County. Then members

shared the 2' x 2' painted boards that they have recently made. Two relevant books on the display table were both authored by Suzi Parron: *Barn Quilts and the American Quilt Trail Movement*, and *Following The Barn Quilt Trail*.

Adjournment: There was no official adjournment, as the meeting had run late and President Jan had to leave before the program.

Submitted by Carrie Grove