

Chequamegon Bay Quilters – Minutes for April 4, 2023

Called to order by Jill S. at 5:32

How many members present? In person canceled due to weather. **Zoom?** 19

Welcome Rebecca! We introduced ourselves to Rebecca, a guest at the meeting.

Name tag drawing winner: Deb A is the name tag winner.

March Meeting minutes - approval deferred until May

Treasurer's report

Current Balance: 3477.35

Quilts of Valor: 211.30

Guild Cushion: 300.00

Available Balance: 2966.05

Quilt of Valor Foundation Account: 86.10

Amber E took care of the yearly form for the State of Wisconsin and therefore we are registered appropriately!

Sunshine Fund: Gina P's birthday. Happy Birthday Gina!

Quilts of Valor: We have 15 finished quilts on hand. Keep making those quilts!

Sew Days: Kaci P scheduled a sew day from May 6 from 10:00 to 3:00 at Washburn public library.

Bring whatever you want to work on and your own lunch. Yay, sew day 😊

Ukraine baby quilt sew day: Jan S reported 8 or 9 attended and worked on baby quilts for Ukraine. For anybody who is interested in helping Kay P-L, please contact Kay.

BUSINESS:

Quilt Restoration or Repair – Deb M will check on Fabric Patch. Jill S. suggested Adventure Us might be able to help or might have someone that the person could be referred to.

Picnic in July: First Tuesday in July is July 4th. Amber E motions to move the July meeting to July 11th to avoid the July 4th holiday. Sue G. seconded. All approved. Motion has passed.

Note: There was no board meeting in March.

Weebly to Square: Password confusion with merge from Weebly to Square. All cleared up now. Jill S. received an e-mail today that may mean the free account is no longer available, but may be okay. Stay tuned.

Program Survey:

- Stack n Whack was 55%, most votes for listed items. Is there anybody here interested in doing a program on Stack N Whack? Nancy P volunteered.
 - Other interests from the Program Survey included:
 - 44% Embroidery
 - 44% Convergence Quilts
 - 44% Notions - Exchange Ideas

- Jan S. found a technique never heard of before, a Korean technique, like stained glass windows, named Pojagi. Jan S will do a program on this.
- Gayle S has been preparing fidget quilts. She made some for the residents at a local nursing home. There have been studies about how much fidget quilts help folks with dementia. Could also lead to quilt hugs or wheelchair/lap quilts. Gayle S will prepare a program on this. Working on these items could be the focus of a sew day.
- Teresa N would do some natural dyeing history, eco-printing, or natural dyeing programs. She needs more time to figure this out.
- Teresa N put forth the garage sale idea. Teresa N and Deb M to organize garage sale.
- Folks signed up - **PROGRAMS Planned for 2023**
 - **MAY '23** Gayle - Nursing Home Items
 - **JUNE '23** Jan Stained Glass - Korean Pojagi technique
 - **JULY '23** ?? Garage Sale (Teresa & Deb M)
 - **AUGUST '23**
 - **SEPTEMBER '23** Nancy Stack N Whack/One Block Wonder (Deb M has sample also)

What to do with guild funds? What fun to schedule?

-Suggestion to have Nancy Gavin present for program. She recently was featured on PBS.

-Sue Ward has tools for cutting ½ square triangles on the bias. Sue is presenting at the Westland Church in Hayward. The cost is \$5 if you are not a Hayward Quilt Guild member. Sue Ward has presented to the guild in the past.

Show N Tell: A very impressive list of Show-N-Tell this week. I encourage everyone to check out the website for details.

12X12 drawing – 2022 – 2023 all drawings!

Quarter 1 Drawing Winner: Jan S.

Quarter 2 Drawing Winner: Lucy T.

Quarter 3 Drawing Winner: Kaci P.

Quarter 4 Drawing Winner: Jill S.

BONUS Winner: Lucy T.

GRAND PRIZE: Charlie W.

Thank you's all around and we all love the wheel!!!! Thanks Jill S for making winning prizes even more fun!

Program: Jill S shared a 10–15-minute presentation on denim. Jill S challenges our guild to

Complete a DENIM PROJECT for our August 2023 meeting. Deb M showed a denim artist by the name of Ian Berry. Incredible work. Jan S. highlighted that thrift stores as a good source for denim, keeping it from the landfill and giving it second life. Amber E shared a picture of a denim quilt that she made. Beautiful!

12X12 Program – Is there a volunteer to coordinate it? Table discussion till later.

Guild was adjourned at 7:15.

ADDENDUM: Just after the APRIL 4th guild meeting, Jan S. and Jean R. volunteered to coordinate the 12x12 (or UFO) Projects, as well as Bonus Theme items. The following is an email explaining the **12x12 and Bonus Projects GUIDELINES:**

2023-24 12x12 GUIDELINES

AS OF 4/6/23

Jean Rickman and Jan Stauffer have volunteered to co-chair the 12 x 12 and Bonus Word Program for April 2023 - March 2024. There has been such a great response to the program over the years that we hate to see it end or have a break until October. With the 2 of us co-chairing the program we should be able to have one or the other of us at every guild meeting to keep records.

The program will continue as follows:

The 12 x 12 Program has been very popular and has changed and morphed over the years. If you wish to participate, start by making a list of quilting/sewing-related projects that you'd like to get done in the next 12 months. The idea is to keep us all sewing and complete old or new projects each month. You do not have to complete a project for it to count. If you want to list a specific quilt project as just cutting the blocks or just finishing a quilt top as opposed to completing the quilting and binding that is just fine. If you want to revamp your sewing room and get organized please list that as a project. Choose your own projects, but be specific on your list as to what you plan to do that month.

If you wish to participate please email your numbered list of 12 x 12 projects to Jan Stauffer (jstauffer56@yahoo.com) and Jean Rickman (jele68@charter.net) prior to the May Meeting. If you aren't ready for May you can join at anytime during the program, but the program is not retroactive. If you don't have 12 projects lined up and ready to sew you can list as few as 1 project and you will get your name in the drawing the month you complete it. You can list anywhere from 1 to 20 projects on your list. Please only submit one project per month as your 12 x 12 for that month and tell us what number the project is on your submitted list. Also tell us if it meets the Bonus Word criteria. You can also submit a 2nd project if it meets the Bonus Word criteria. You can only get your name in the prize drawings two times per month (once for your 12 x 12 project and once for your Bonus Word). IF your 12 x 12 project also meets the Bonus Word criteria your name will be entered twice for the month. If you complete a project that meets the Bonus Word criteria, but you do not complete one of your 12 x 12 projects you can still get your name in the Bonus Word drawing. If you are listing a project such as organizing your sewing room please submit a before and an after picture of your sewing room. The same would be true for something like the Pre-Cut Bonus Word. Show us your pre-cut fabric and then a photo of what you did with it.

Please submit your photos of your projects by noon on our Meeting Day to the guild email (chequamegonbayquilters@yahoo.com) so that they can be used in the slide show at the meeting. If you don't get a photo submitted please bring your project to the guild meeting to get your name in the drawings for that month.

We will hold 2 prize drawings at the August 2023, December 2023 and April 2024 Meetings. We will start fresh each quarter with adding names to the hat for the next quarter. All names will be added to the hat at the end for the Grand Prize drawing. We will draw for a 12 x 12 winner and a Bonus Word winner at each drawing. The Grand Prize winner will also be drawn at the April 2024 Meeting.

NOTE DUE IN MAY: Since we are 6 days into April already the plan is to make one quilt block to turn in at the May meeting. The bonus word for April will be "patriotic." The blocks will be added to our QOV stash and used in a Quilt of Valor. So, to kick things off you can get your name in the 12 x 12 drawing and the Bonus Word drawing by making a single patriotic block. **BLOCK SHOULD MEASURE 12.5" x 12.5"**

The Bonus Words after April are as follows:

May: The Big Outdoors
Jun: Summer
Jul: Pre-Cuts
Aug: HST (Half Square Triangle)...or your interpretation of what HST stands for. Emoji
Sept: Fall
Oct: TGIF (Thank Goodness It's Finished)...or your interpretation of what TGIF stands for.Emoji
Nov: Nifty 9-patch
Dec: In the Kitchen
Jan: Winter
Feb: My Favorite Color Is.....
March: Spring

If this is your first time participating the bonus word listed for a month is due at the following month's meeting. For example: The May Bonus Word of "the big outdoors" is due at the June meeting. If you have questions do not hesitate to ask Jan or Jean. The whole idea is to encourage everyone to keep after their projects that they've been meaning to get to and to encourage new projects with the Bonus Word each month. Happy Sewing!