

Minutes of PPQG general meeting March 14, 2014

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by guild president Judy Riddle. There were 28 members and no guests present.

Quilts at the Library: Judy has four quilts that will be hung in the Point Arena Library. Joyce Gaudet has four comfort quilts that can be hung in the library. Some have labels, others have no name on them. If you've donated a comfort quilt, and do not want it hung in the library, contact Judy or Joyce.

A motion was made by Barbara Dunsmoor and seconded by Joyce Gaudet to change the **Bylaws** to move the membership payment deadline from the March meeting to March 1st. The motion passed. The membership will be notified when the specific language of the amendment is ready to be voted on.

A motion to approve the **Minutes** of the February 21, 2014 meeting was made by Donna Blum and seconded by Renata Lopez. The motion passed, and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: (Judy for Kalyln) Balance at beginning of month was \$11,659.00. Income was \$1755.00. Expenses were \$2840.57. Balance at month's end was \$10,573.43.

Programs: (Judy for Kalyln) Kalyln's "Sweatshirt to Jacket with Embellishment" class on April 16 and 17 has 8 sign-ups. There is room for more. Sign up by March 27, please. The class description and materials list is on the guild web site, under Meetings and Workshops.

Mirka Knaster will speak on April 18, about her trip to Japan "The Culture and Fabric".

Rosalie Dace will give her class on "Kandinsky's Quilts" May 5-8. The class is full, but there's a waiting list. Note change in general meeting to May 9th.

Comfort Quilt/ Quilt of Valor Workshop 10-4 on June 20.

Cara Gulati will give a one day class on September 18, and speak at the general meeting on September 19.

Continuing Education: (Judy for Jan) Kalyln Oleson and Jan Carter finished the Intermediate Classes. "We had fun, we're not sure the students did." (tongue in cheek) In 2015, Continuing Education classes are not certain. If they do have a class, it will probably be "What do I do with all these Blocks?" (sashing, binding, finishing a quilt)

Membership: Gail Spencer welcomed new member Leslie Juricek, who joined at today's meeting. The new roster will soon be out. Please be sure we have your correct contact info. We currently have 96 members.

Publicity: Janice Batchelder is doing a good job with her articles in the I.C.O.

Newsletter: Judy Riddle and Laura Hamilton have taken over for Anna Hines. The deadline for submitting items to the newsletter is March 25th. Please email any articles or photos for the newsletter to both Judy and Laura.

Website: Bonnie Toy (no report)

Library: Jan Carter has taken over all library duties from Mirka Knaster.

Hospitality: Ann Graf, Sandy Hughes, Margie Binker: Thank you to Charis Webb and Ann Graf for the treats today. A sign-up sheet was passed around for bringing treats April to June.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet and Sylvia Edwards. Joyce said she'll be back in May, to ask for donations.

2014 A.I.R. quilt: Judy Riddle, Polly Dakin, Gail Spencer. Sharon Malachowski got it beautifully quilted, and it was shown to the group. We plan to have "Labyrinth" bound and displayed at the Challenge next month.

Comfort Quilts/Quilts of Valor: Polly Dakin. Three comfort quilts were given out this month. Please join us at the workshop in June.

Challenge 2014: "Quilt the Music" Barbara Dunsmoor, Charis Webb, Paula Osborne. Barbara reported the turn-in date is April 2, the show will be hung on April 3. The opening reception will be from 5-7 on April 4. We have 91 entries! As many songs as is possible will be played during the reception. Please don't be upset, if you don't hear yours.

Joyce Gaudet said we need a lot of food for the reception. Bring your sweet or savory directly to the kitchen or conference room. Also lend a hand, if you see the food is running out.

Retreat: Donna Blum. The dates for Retreat 2015 will be in the newsletter. Dry Creek Inn is welcoming us back. The nearly 30 attendees at last month's retreat had a marvelous time.

Special Events: Renata Lopez, Pam Todd. There are only four people signed up for the Skunk Train in July, so Renata is considering other options. How about going to the Charles M Schulz Museum, or Luther Burbank Gardens, in Santa Rosa? She is open to suggestions.

Name Tag Drawing: Greeter Janice Batchelder. Bette Covington drew Margie Binker's ticket.

New Business: none

Show and Tell: Linda Bradbrook shared the doll she received and told us a bit about her trip to the 10th Anniversary of Soroptimist Club of Bangor, India. She visited a halfway house, where girls go between jail and freedom. Many were forced into prostitution, and are taught to make jewelry and sew in rehab. Sharon Malachowski showed a "Wheels of Whimsey"

quilt, and a “frock coat” that she made. Renata Lopez unveiled the king sized double wedding ring quilt she started in 2008, intended for her daughter’s 25th wedding anniversary, which was two years ago.

Introduction of Speaker, Sharon Malachowski, by Judy Riddle. Sharon led us on a journey of the “Origin of Quilting”, with an interesting slide show. Sharon has made over 700 commissioned quilts, and is a professional long arm quilter.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m. by guild president, Judy Riddle

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Gail Spencer.