

NBQA Membership Meeting

September 19, 2019

Meeting called to order at: 6:37pm

President Geri Bergreen: Everyone was welcomed back for a new guild year. New members were recognized and introduced themselves

Vice President Celia Schnacky: 14 summer challenge quilts were entered; members asked to vote once with 3 winners to be announced at the end of the evening. The completed Raffle quilt, "Give It A Twirl", was displayed; quilted by Sue Ellis. It is a major fund raiser for the quilt show. Summer challenge winners:

1st Place: Carolyn Marshall; 2nd Place: Phyllis Cayer; 3rd Place: Diane Roman

Secretary Nina Ashworth: will continue to post membership meeting minutes on the website and will be forwarded to members through guild email address, will also have several copies available at guild meetings for those who don't have access to a computer

Treasurer Sue Ellis: As of 8-31-19, checking account balance is \$13,221.36; savings account balance is \$15,071.54. Motion made to accept Treasurers' report; was seconded and approved.

Librarian Pat Stark: will look at what has not been signed out in a while in an effort to get rid of those the membership is not interested in. Taking suggestions for new cd's/dvd's to add to the library

Membership Anne Sabatini: there are currently 169 members, 16 new and 8 associate members. New look to the membership booklet; every 2 months a new page will be added with update/corrections/new members info, etc. Members reminded guests can attend for a \$5 fee. Missy Smith completed the work on the booklet

Block of the Month Barbara Beauregard, Diane Roman: this year membership will be constructing 6 different blocks, unfinished 12 1/2" (no block for Sept or May). There will be a drawing at each meeting, one ticket given for each block contributed. Winner of the drawing may keep all of the blocks or donate them to Comfort Quilts and receive a gift. A list of and directions for all of the blocks for the year is on the website (nbqa.org)

October Block of the Month: NINE PATCH; colors optional. Instructions for Scrappy Version and Two fabric version are in the Sept/Oct 2019 Newsletter

Comfort Quilts Brenda Starble, Linda Maslanka: last year was a successful one for Comfort Quilts. Brenda has labels for completed quilts. There are quilts available to hand out tonight. The first Quilt-A-Thon for the year will be on 10-5-19, 9-3 at Louise's classroom (74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI

Door Prizes Missy Smith: 4 door prizes drawn

Strip Exchange Lyn Pallotta: (this seasons' THEME consists of things you would see or buy on a trip to...). There is a list available for each month in both the Newsletter and on the website
October Strip Challenge Theme: THE PET SHOP

Facebook Sharon Bibeault: Geri noted workshops are being posted on the Facebook page. There are 3 administrators if anyone is interested in posting anything on the page

Hospitality Joany Rebecchi: thanks given for snack provided tonight

New England Quilt Museum Karen Stanley: Geri has tickets to NEQM, provided as part of the guild membership. Each ticket admits 2 to the Museum. Geri went up Monday to the Teacher's presentation. Another benefit to membership is to have a free day at the Museum; will be looking into a possible bus/van trip. The three current exhibits are:

Social Justice Sewing Academy; Piecing Together Youth Voices in a 21st Century Sewing Circle; thru 12-1-19

Traditional & Original; A Tribute to Sue Garman; thru 12-29-19

Suspended – The Fabric Sculptures of Priscilla Sage; thru 12-29-19

Newsletter Sally Cooper, Paula Weston: Sally is mentoring Paula to take over this role next year. If anyone has suggestions about putting quilts in the show, send them to Paula and she will try to get answers. There are some new advertisers this year. Application for the show is website

Programs & Workshops Chrissy Bonin, Billie Bunnewith: Chrissy and Billie are planning to retire from this role at the end of this year and are looking for anyone interested in being mentored this year; one person has expressed interest, Billie and Chrissy suggest at least two take on this role. All workshops are posted on Facebook. Rocky Hill Grange will be the site of all of this years workshops. Everyone advised to bring a light although have been told by the Grange that they are looking to upgrade the current lighting. There has been a change in the schedule: February and March workshops have been swapped; updates are posted in Newsletter and on website. Patrick Lose has been rescheduled for October, 2020.

Sept 21 (Sat) – Pat Delaney; Sugar Maple Runner (paper piecing and appliqué techniques)

Oct 17 (Thur) – Jan Krentz; Asymmetrical Hunter Star.

Oct 18/19 (Fri/Sat) – Jan Krentz; Summer Salsa

Nov 22 (Fri) – Jane Haworth; Travel Journal Quilts.

Nov 23 (Sat) – Jane Haworth; Pet Portraits

Dec 7 (Sat) – Sew Scrap it Sew Day

Jan 18 (Sat) – Kathy Graves; Quilt Curve Ruler – Metro Wedding Ring

Feb 22 (Sat) – Tina Craig; Design Your Own EPP

March 21 (Sat) – Billie Bunnewith & Kassie Randall; Have Your Cake and Sew It Too

April 18 (Sat) – Barb Vedder; Magic Medallions

May 22 (Fri) – Marge Tucker; Going in Circles

May 23 (Sat) – Marge Tucker; Modern Machine Quilting with a Walking Foot

Pet Portraits is full (took on 4 additional). January thru May are open tonight for signups

SPEAKER: Pat Delaney “Something New on Every Quilt” Trunk Show. Pat showed numerous quilts she has made illustrating the progress in her quilting style and complexity. She noted she makes a conscious effort to try something new in each quilt, and pointed out the

“something new” on each quilt. She is having a One Woman show at the New England Quilt Museum December thru February.

Quilt Show Joan Potter: As noted on the website, rather than a fabric challenge, this year will have a contest based on the theme of our quilt show, **Quilter’s Vision – 2020**. What does that name say to you? “20:20” is perfect vision in optometry. What is your vision for the future (for you, for our country, for our planet, etc.)? Are things coming into focus? What direction is quilting taking now, or in the future? We are asked to design a quilt based on the 2020 show theme. Entries are due at the Feb, 20, 2020 meeting. There will be different categories for ribbons for the contest. The show will be April 25/26, 2020. Quilt Show applications are due at the February meeting. All are encouraged to enter as many quilts as you want to show. There will be basket raffle fund raiser and are looking for completed baskets that can be handed in any time but all must be in by February meeting. Mary Elizabeth will be mug mat chair. Will need small quilts for the auction; fund raiser for NEQM. Next planning meeting is next Saturday at Joan Haley’s house.

Special Events Louise Pankiewicz; Geri reported about 15 members went to the World Quilt Expo over the summer. Shop Hop is being planned for March, 2020. May arrange a bus/van trip to NEQM

Website Maria Knight, Patricia Andraka: still trying to work on the domain issue; org vs net. If any changes are needed to the website, please email Maria and/or Pat

Education Committee Peggy Lane, Barbara Stetson: committee noted to have had a busy summer. In June, they were at the South County Museum where they did demonstrations and handed out information about the guild. In July they were at the Wickford Art Festival outside Sew-Op and sold tickets for raffle quilt. Two weeks ago were again at South County Museum for the Folk Art Quilt Show. Upcoming is a day at Hope Alzheimer Center in Garden City where they will be making seasonal banners with participants. Photo’s from the various events will be on Facebook and website.

Historian: position remains unfilled

Magazine Exchange: money noted to have been found in a magazine left on the table

Publicity Barbara Stetson: no report

NEW BUSINESS: Geri noted one issue tabled for next month

OLD BUSINESS: Motion made to approve Budget, seconded

Show-n-tell: beautiful quilts shown; all encouraged to enter in quilt show!

Meeting adjourned at: 8:55pm

How many members attended? 100



Next Membership Mtg:

10-17-19: Jan Krentz; “Great Star Review”

Next Program/Workshop:

(Thursday), October 17, 2019; 9am – 3pm. **Jan Krentz; “Asymmetrical Hunter Star”**. Rocky Hill Grange, 1340 South County Trail, East Greenwich, RI 02818

(Friday & Saturday), October 18/19, 2019; 9am – 3pm. **Jan Krentz; “Summer Salsa”**. Rocky Hill Grange

Next Special Activity:

(Saturday), October 5, 2019; 9am – 3pm. **Quilt-a-Thon. The Classroom, 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI**

(Friday, Saturday, Sunday), October 18, 19 & 20, 2019, 10am – 4pm. **Ninigret Quilters 2019 Quilt Show. Westerly Armory, Westerly, RI**

(Saturday), December 7, 2019; 9am – 3pm. **So Scrap It Sew Day. Rocky Hill Grange.**