

# **NBQA Membership Meeting**

## **04-21-22**

Zoom meeting called to order: @ 6:37pm

**President Geri Bergreen:**

Geri welcomed members to the meeting. She noted that this will be the last Zoom meeting for this membership year as the May meeting will be held in person at the church. She said there would be a possibility of Zoom meetings again come January or February if the new board deems it necessary to do so. Geri reminded members of her challenge to do a fidget mat for the May meeting.

**Vice President Joan Potter:** (as reported by Geri)

The raffle quilt has been delivered to Louise's Island Creations and will be on display soon. Raffle tickets will be distributed to the members at the May meeting or sent by mail.

**Treasurer Blair Gagnon:**

Checking Account Balance is \$4,529.49

Savings Account Balance is \$10,374.16

Report was approved and seconded.

**Secretary Mary Ann Laprise:**

Corrected minutes from the March meeting were emailed to all members by Louise Pankiewicz.

Minutes were approved and seconded.

**Programs & Workshops Gail Macera and Tina Zuffoletti:** (as reported by Gail)

Carol Ann Robertson has volunteered to do the programs and workshops next year. Gail will mentor Carol in her new position. Carol plans to be at the May meeting.

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| April 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2022 | Workshop with Pat Harrison "Bindings 101". We still have 2 openings for this class which will run from 9-12 at Island Creations by Louise.  |
| May 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2022   | We will have nominations and hopefully our strawberry social and one heck of a show and tell.   |
| May 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2022   | We are bringing the band back for this workshop! Kassie Randall and Billie Bunnewith. They will teach the Laura Heine method of collage quilting. No sewing machine is required for this class and Billie and Kassie will have their own patterns for this technique or you can use your own Laura Heine pattern. We still have 2 openings for this 9-3 workshop at Island Creations by Louise. |

**Librarian:**

Position on hold. Anyone who has tapes that they would like to return can bring them to the May meeting (no fines!). The future of the librarian's position will be up to the new board.

**Special Events:** (Louise Pankiewicz)

The Northern Star Quilter's Guild will hold their quilt show on Saturday, April 30, 2022 and Sunday, May 1, 2022 at the SUNY Purchase Physical Education Building, 735 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase, NY. Admission is \$15. We will not be sponsoring a bus trip, so members who wish to attend are on their own.

**Newsletter Paula Weston:**

The May/June newsletter will go out May 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>. Paula will also send out a summer newsletter around July 4<sup>th</sup>. Paula noted that we have 2 new paid ads for a total of 10 paid ads for our newsletter.

**Membership Anne Sabatini:**

There were 56 members who participated in tonight's Zoom. 152 total members. The form to renew your membership for next year will be available in the May/June newsletter.

If new members need a name button (or if old members have lost their pin), please email [anne.sabatini61@gmail.com](mailto:anne.sabatini61@gmail.com) by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Ordered pins will be given out at the May 2022 in person meeting. Geri noted that members who are wearing their pin will receive a door prize ticket.

**Facebook Geri Bergreen and Tina Zuffoletti** (as reported by Geri)

Facebook has been updated. The postings on the NBQA page need to be approved by Geri.

**Website Maria Knight, Patricia Andraka:** (as reported by Pat Andraka)

Website has been updated. Please send any additions or corrections to Pat. Geri commented on the new easy to use calendar on the nbqa.org website.

**Education Committee Peggy Lane, Barbara Stetson:** (as reported by Peggy)

The committee currently has a Ukrainian exhibit on display at the Cranston main library. Gail Macera and Geri Bergreen helped to put together an Easter Egg tree. The committee is also planning an exhibit of comfort quilts at the library in December. The committee is also planning to do a red work project with pre-teens in the future. The East Greenwich and Warwick libraries are also interested in what the Education Committee is doing. The committee is also exploring working with Girl Scouts, farmer's markets and 4H clubs to generate publicity for the guild.

**Comfort Quilts Brenda Starble, Linda Maslanka:** (as reported by Geri)

There will be a quilt-a-thon on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and another on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 3. Both will be held at Louise's Island Creations in West Greenwich. See newsletter for details. Brenda and Geri have kits prepared; please contact them if you would like a kit.

**New England Quilt Museum Karen Stanley:** (as reported by Geri)

Geri noted that the museum is open. Geri added a post to the NBQA Facebook page about the museum's "String Theory" exhibit (April 14 – July16, 2022)

**Quilt Show Joan Potter:** (as reported by Geri)

The quilt show committee has decided to skip 2023 and to plan the next quilt show for 2024. They may try to do a quilt exhibit in the fall (to be determined).

**Hospitality Joany Rebecchi:** (as reported by Geri)

Our strawberry social is planned for the May meeting.

**Door Prizes Melissa Smith:** (as reported by Geri)

Geri asked members to stay after the business meeting for a game of Kahoots! First, second, and third place winners of Kahoots! can pick up their prizes at Louise's shop. At the in-person May meeting, door prize tickets will be given to all members who are wearing their name pins.

**Strip Exchange Lyn Pallotta:** (as reported by Geri)

Bring four 2 ½ inch width of fabric strips (solid or read as solid) to the May meeting and receive a ticket for a prize. Two winners will be chosen. Strips will be donated to the Comfort Quilts committee.

**Block of the Month:** (as reported by Geri)

Bring two 10 inch squares of children's fabrics (cotton or flannel) to the May meeting and receive a ticket for a prize. Two winners will be chosen. Squares will be donated to the Comfort Quilts committee.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Denise Greenlund is offering embroidered vests for \$30 each (the guild receives \$10). See the newsletter for the order form.

The May meeting will be held at the church at 6:30pm. We will have our election of officers and board members and our strawberry social. Come early!

Please bring your fidget mats to the May meeting to donate to Alzheimer's patients at Aldersbridge Communities / Winslow Gardens as part of a "President's Challenge". There will be a gift for anyone who brings one.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **Nomination Committee:**

President	<b>open</b>
Vice President	Joan Potter
Secretary	Mary Ann Laprise
Treasurer	Blaire Gagnon
Comfort Quilts	Gail Macera / Barbara Hartford / Geri Bergreen
Door Prizes	Missy Smith
Education Committee	Peggy Lane
Hospitality	<b>open</b>
Programs	Carol Ann Robertson (Gail Macera will mentor)
Strip Exchange	<b>open</b>
Block of the Month	<b>open</b>
Facebook	Geri Bergreen
Website	Pat Andraka
Quilt Show	Joan Potter / Joan Halley
New England Quilt Museum	<b>open?</b>
Newsletter	Paula Weston
Membership	Ann Sabatini
Special Events	Louise Pankiewicz

Please contact Geri or Louise prior to the May meeting if you can fill one of the open positions.

There was a show and tell PowerPoint presentation of quilts including “Diamond” quilts (taught by Louise Pankiewicz) and “Shadow” quilts (taught by Bobbi Fitzsimmons) from recent workshops.

Several members stayed on Zoom for Kahoots! questions about quilt blocks. The winners were 1) Louise, 2) Blaire, and 3) Jackie.

How many members attended? 56 (via Zoom)

Meeting adjourned: @ 8:04 PM

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 6:30pm at Louise’s

Next Membership Meeting: Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 6:30pm at the church

Next Program/Workshop: Saturday, April 23, 2022 (9am – 12pm) - “Bindings 101” – with Pat Harrison at Louise’s