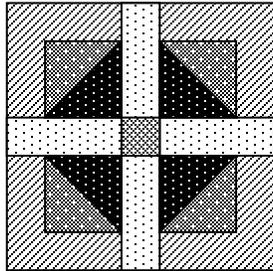

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MEETING DATE MAY 20, 2019

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Jan.-Nov., Third Monday, 7 pm

May 2019

Forreston Grove Church, Freeport Rd., Forreston, IL

THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

This past April 14th the calendar said it was spring, only no one told Mother Nature. There was snow on the ground and the temperature required a coat. It had rained, snowed and was so windy for March and most of April, that not a lot of work had been done in our yard. You know what this sort of weather IS perfect for? A ROAD TRIP. Some of us were lucky enough to take a wonderful trip sponsored by the General Store to stores in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin. Over hill and dale, we chatted and laughed our way to some very nice stores. A few of my favorites include: Expressions in Thread located by the

Mississippi River in LeClaire, Iowa which would make a great day trip. The store is well stocked with everything one would ever need to make your special quilt. The town itself is very quaint with shops, restaurants and great views of the River. Feed Mill Quilts in Oneida, Illinois is in a very small farming town. The shop is in a working feed mill and has no bathroom but is stuffed full of fabric. They are expanding and I assume they will be adding a bathroom soon, but still it is a must go to shop. Finally, The Old Schoolhouse in Cedarburg, Wisconsin is something special. What a great venue with beautiful fabrics. I love civil war fabrics, so I was in heaven. It has one of the best selections of pearl cotton thread that I have

seen in one place along with many unusual patterns--a must-see shop. You know, as long as Mother Nature is going to be grumpy, I'm willing to travel around the states with some wonderful ladies laughing and buying fabric to my heart's desire. Life is good!

Beth Kalbfus

Country Crossroads Quilt Guild Minutes

April 15, 2019

Meet and Greet/Refreshments: 6:30 to 7:00 pm.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by President Beth Kalbfus.

Program

Pam Hughes from Expressions in Threads, LeClaire, Iowa has owned her shop for 15 years having been store manager for Kohl's and Sears and then going full-time in her shop about 8 years ago. She conducted the workshop today on using strips to make fabulous quilts. A Show and Tell of all those who attended the workshop was conducted. Everyone said they had a great time, learned a lot, and completed their project. Pam then presented a trunk show of different quilts that used various designer's fabrics. She showed various ways on using panels which she says she loves as they are great for fast and easy quilts for the porch or beach. She also presented various quilts made from the disappearing nine patch and charm squares.

Secretary Report

Motion made by Carol Koeller, 2nd by Nina Mueller to accept the minutes as written. Passed.

Treasurer Report

Motion made by Barb Gaertner, 2nd by Anita Hayward to accept the treasurer report as submitted. Passed.

Business

1. Winter Meeting Dates: Discussion followed on guild meetings during the winter specifically November, December, January and February. Various options were presented with the guild voting to keep things as is except if February's meeting needed to be cancelled, there would be a make-up date.

2. New Meeting Format: Discussion followed with various options presented on the meeting format. Voting determined that the current new format will be used for the entire year. That being from 6:30 to 7:00pm will be the Meet and Greet/Snacks and *shopping at the speakers table*; 7:00pm will then be the Program for the evening followed immediately by the Business Meeting.

3. Beth thanked everyone for the wonderful food tonight

4. Members/Guests

- No new members
- Guest: Carol Shelly

5. Name tag winner: Carole Robeson
Show n' Tell: Karen Bolen

Community Projects

- Rhonda has offered to quilt any quilts if needed that are being donated to the Madonna Renewal Center
- Ann reported that 71 kennel quilts made by guild members were sent out. Half went to Hearts United for Animals in Nebraska and the other half to the Nebraska Humane Society.
- Pet bandanas made were donated to Cause for Paws
- Ann read a Thank you card sent to the Guild from the Hearts United for Animals

Program Committee for 2020

People needed to head this Committee or there will be no programs for next year and really should be completed by November

Bee News

None

Other News

- Need to be thinking about Officers for 2020
- Petunia Quilters having their 30th Anniversary Show on May 6th

May Program

Diane Murtha from Bettendorf, Iowa. Quilter, Fiber Artist and Lecturer. No workshop.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Cay Rydberg, 2nd by Ann Olujic at 8:00 pm. Passed

*Respectfully submitted,
Ann Olujic*

MAY PROGRAM

Our speaker for the May 20th meeting is Diane Murtha of Bettendorf, IA. Diane's lecture will be Challenges-Accept the Challenge & Win a Prize. An informative and humorous perspective on her quilt challenge experiences, including a trunk and slide show. She will discuss what to do, what not to do, how to find them, and most importantly how challenges can expand your quilting skills and inspire all your quilting.

JUNE PROGRAM

Monique Jacobs of Open Gate Quilts. Her lecture will be on Designing Fabric.

QUILT BY THE SLICE

Make sure you bring your Pizza Box on the 20th. (If you can't come, have one of your friends bring it for you.) We'll collect them at the meeting and pass them back out. Nina will be sitting at the table, making sure you get a different box. If you have any questions call Nina at 815-275-6384 or by email nina440@comcast.net.

The "Meet and Greet" is at 6:30 p.m. with refreshments.

The evening program starts at 7 p.m.

See you May 20th.

Deb Ley and Nina Mueller

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Shelly Holverson	3
Judy Barnard	11
Jessie Ross	11
Mary Meier	19
Barb Fagan	20
Lorna Wolfe	25



MAY REFRESHMENTS

Val Clawson
Mary Block
Carol Koeller
Barb Fagan

JUNE REFRESHMENTS

Kathy Clark
Beth Kalbfus
Susan Murges
Carole Robeson

CROSSROADS QUILT BEE

The Bee is held in the afternoon of every meeting day. Everyone is welcome. We start at 1:00 p.m. but you may come anytime 1:00 p.m. and after. Stay as long as you like. You may work on whatever you like, quilting, hand sewing, knitting, crocheting, your own or whatever. Bring whatever you need to do what you are working on. Maybe you want to come just to visit or get help with a project. That is great, too. Snacks to share are always welcome but not required. For dinner we have options of brown bag, share a dish, or go out to a restaurant. We would love to see lots of you join us. All are welcome.

Bee Committee
Carol, Judy, and Kay

General Notes and Reminders

Refreshments: There are two containers in the back room of the church that contain paper supplies for refreshments and other guild items. These supplies have been purchased by the guild and are intended for this use. Please check this container before you purchase any new paper products.

And:

The church has asked that we put away the tables and chairs that we take out of the back room for our meetings. Anyone who could stay a few extra minutes after the meetings to help do this would be greatly appreciated.

Also:

We need to keep the kitchen clean, so please clean up after yourself. The refreshment committee is supposed to take the garbage out to the dumpster after the meeting, so please make sure you've tossed your trash before then.

Boutique:

At each meeting, we will set up a table to hold any quilt related boutique items you wish to sell or give away. Have the price clearly marked and put your name on everything so that the buyer can pay you (it sometimes helps to have an envelope with your name on it to put the money in).

Reminders:

Bring Community Project
Bring Show and Tell
Bring a Guest
Wear Name Tag

Next newsletter deadline:
June 1, 2019