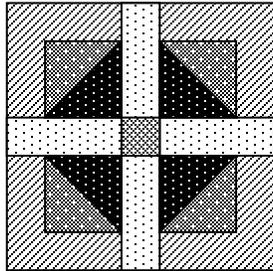

COUNTRY CROSSROADS

QUILT GUILD



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THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

As I am emerging from my holiday funk, I see great things happening with the new year--for me and for our guild. Our program peeps tell me they are very excited about what they have booked.

Did everyone pass on at least one bookmark to a friend? I did.

Get ready, get set, SEW!!!!

Machelle Holverson
297-2381

COUNTRY CROSSROADS QUILT GUILD Meeting Minutes November 21, 2022

For our final meeting of this calendar year, we gathered at 6 pm to enjoy a Potluck Dinner! Members shared a dish to pass of some excellent foods and the Guild provided the meat. It was a wonderful dinner!

Barb Gaertner then opened the business meeting at 7:15 pm. We had no guests or new members at this meeting. There was no program presentation this evening.

Name Tag drawing went to Rhonda Streich and Show 'n Tell went to Fran Kaminski.

Secretary Minutes: There were no additions or corrections identified for Secretary's Minutes of the October meeting. Kathy Clark made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, Fran Kaminski seconded the motion, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Dawn Vehmeier had no additional information to that reported in the Newsletter. Dues collection for 2023 continues.

Committee Reports

Program Committee: Program Chair Shauna Heck was thanked by Barb for an outstanding year of programs and workshops. Shauna will be facilitating the voluntary gift exchange and games at the end of the meeting.

Bee: No Sewing Bee today. The Bee Keepers plan to continue in 2023, hoping that attendance will grow in the new year.

Publicity: No items to report from Ruth Whitney on publicity.

Newsletter: Mary Meier reported all is good with the newsletter activity.

Old Business:

Barb went through each of the positions needed for the 2023 officers, for each position, one at a time, she asked if there were any other nominations for the position, hearing none, she declared nominations closed for each of the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. There being no additional nominations from the floor, Barb declared the slate put forward by the Executive Committee at the October meeting to be elected by acclamation. Elected candidates are as follows: President: Shelly Holverson, Vice President: Chyree Rohde-Lincoln, Secretary: Susan Murges, and Treasurer: Fran Kaminski.

Barb thanked each of the 2022 officers and committee leaders for all their efforts this year. She presented each of them with a thank you gift as her appreciation for their service this year.

Barb announced and thanked each of the 2023 Guild positions filled by volunteer members as follows:

Programs: Dawn Vehmeier & Ann Tully

Warm Ups: Carol Bellows & Deb Ley

Quilting Bee Committee: Kay Walker, Faye Schneiderman, & Nina Mueller

Publicity & Website Committee: Ruth Whitney

2023 Charity Projects: Mary Meier, Nina Mueller, Ritarose Polley, Donna Saxby, Joyce Winnekins

2024 Raffle Quilt Chair: Shauna Heck

2025 Quilt Show Chair: Shauna Heck

2023 Program Chairs distributed Bookmarks identifying the plans for next year. Each member was given two bookmarks and asked to share one with a friend as a way of personally inviting them to join our group. Additional bookmarks are available for distribution and placing in local businesses. They then reviewed each of the planned programs for us. Looks like a very fun filled year.

There was no other Old Business for discussion.

New Business:

No new business was identified for discussion.

Shelly Holverson presented Barb with a thank you gift from the Guild members. She thanked Barb for serving for 3 years and all of her efforts to keep us together during the difficult times.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the business meeting was made at 7:45 pm by Beth Kalbfus, 2nd by Fran Kaminski, Motion

carried. The adjournment was followed by gift exchange and games as well as Show 'n Tell by several members.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Whitney

JANUARY PROGRAM

FROM DAWN:

As usual, with the uncertainty of the winter weather in Illinois, we will not have an outside speaker in January. Instead, come and get to know your fellow quilters' hidden talents and secrets as we hold a CCQG Scavenger Hunt. There will be other games as well. And did I mention there will be prizes??!! So, bring your competitive spirit (I know you ALL have one since we saw them on display at the safety pin/rice game in November!) and come ready to have some fun...and, of course, enjoy the refreshments. Ann and I are looking forward to kicking the year off with a bang! Hope to see you all there!

Dawn Vehmeier

FROM ANN:

Happy New Year everyone!

You were given 2 bookmarks with guild information—one for you and one to share with a quilter friend. Have you shared that bookmark? There's still time! Give a friend a bookmark and get their email. We'll email them a welcoming invitation from the entire guild.

Now you might be asking yourself, "Why should I do this?"

1. The number of guild members dropped over covid. Bringing the size up means more programs...more activities.
- 2.. Quilters are the friendliest people in the world so we need all the friends we can find.
3. There will be prizes!!! Yes, quilting type prizes. Have you turned in several emails? Have you brought a guest to a meeting? Have you sponsored a friend to join? That's how you win prizes.

I can just hear the cheering as we hand out the prizes. You have the first 3 months of the year to meet your goals. See you at guild.

Ann Tully

<p>Treasurer's Report November 2022</p>

WARM UPS

Warm ups are back! Please join us prior to the regularly scheduled meeting for handy tips and tricks!

Got anything you want to share? Please let Deb or Carol know.

Deb Ley/Carol Bellows

BEE KEEPERS

Due to weather and health issues, we suggest you call Kay (815-275-2904) or Faye or Nina to see if and what time we will open the church for open sewing.

Also, we would like to know how people feel about the books for loan. Is this something the guild should continue or stop? There doesn't seem to be much interest the last few months.

Thank you!

Kay Walker

THANK YOU FROM BARB:

I just want to thank everyone for an unexpected and very generous gift. I will definitely be pampering myself. Thank you!

I truly mean it when I say that it was absolutely my pleasure to be your president and keep us going the past three years through Covid and the Quilt Show. However, I could not have done it without the support of all you.

Once again, I want to say that I am so proud to be a part of this group. I have never met so many people, that are so happy to support and encourage each other as the members of this Quilt Guild are.

Thank you again for sticking by me, supporting me, and encouraging me.

I look forward to seeing all of you in 2023.

I wish all of you a Very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year! As always, stay healthy, happy and quilt on!

Thank you for everything,

Barb Gaertner

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Karen Bolen	2
Carole Robeson	3

JANUARY REFRESHMENTS

Carol Bellows
Fran Kaminski
Deb Ley
Ruth Whitney

Meeting Reminders:

Please wear name tag
Bring show and tell

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).