

**Piece by Piece Quilting Guild
General Meeting Notes
May 18, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Diane Kirkpatrick.

There were two guest for this meeting, Jeanne Schwab who is a friend of Carmen Kovach, and Nancy Brown, a returning member.

Announcements:

Membership (Linda Boman): We have 120 members currently. Please pick up your membership cards.

Standing Committee (Marti Haan): All slots are filled for Refreshment, Block of the Month, and Sew Day Hostess for the rest of this year. We need sign up for Holiday Potluck committee, and Fun Day 2018 committee.

Opportunity Basket (Valerie Birt): We need volunteers to take over filling the Opportunity baskets, on quarterly basis.

Program (Tricia Whitlock): June's Guest speaker is Mel Beach. She is teaching a class on how to create quilted texture with a walking foot. There are still some openings, class is \$45. Upcoming activities are: July: Ice cream social, August: Shovunda, September: Sandra Bruce, October: Rob Appell, and November: Sheila Collins. We need volunteers to be on the Program Committee next year as our current volunteers will have completed their two year terms.

Philanthropy Committee (May Wong): More quilt kits for donation have been made. Because we have guest speakers in September, October and November, we will be accepting donations quilts and placemats at every meeting. Please share them during our Show and Tell as you complete them. They will be stored in our storage shed until it is time to distribute them.

Nominating Committee: We need 2 volunteers to help Ron and Jackie Morton to seek candidates to run for offices for 2018.

Fun Day 2018 Fun Day 2018 will be on April 14. We need people to sign up to be on the committee. We will let the 2018 Fun Day committee decide if they will keep Fun Day as it had been in the past, or change it to be simpler as it was last month.

Reach Out: 31 lbs of food, 8 lbs of toiletries and cash were donated in April. We received a Thank you note from Fran Hendrickson, and also a post card from Community Solutions.

Birthdays: We sang happy birthday to our May Birthdays members: May Wong, and Karen Twitchell.

Program: Terry Caselton shared her experience with quilting cruises, and what we can expect from them. Her enthusiasm was catchy. She also gave information about her upcoming quilt cruises and the teachers assigned to each of them.

Break

Nickel Exchange: People who brought baggies of five 5" patriotic charm squares can exchange with others.

Laura Miller and Joanne Sherburne volunteered to take over Philanthropy Baskets.

2017 Guild Challenge:

9 people participated in the 2017 Guild Challenge: Quilted Self-Portrait. They are Michael Brown-Korbel, Nancy Whalen, Melinda McGlashan, Gwen Smith, May Wong, June Okano, Lynn Galindo, Laura Miller and Diane Kirkpatrick. A picture was taken of the group and their quilts.

Diane Kirkpatrick thanked the members providing the refreshments this evening: Michael-Sue Brown-Korbel, Rod and Karen Twitchell, and Margaret Sullivan.

Thank you to Joanne Sherburne for hosting Sew Day today.

There is no Sew Day Hostess for next month due to class by Mel Beach.

Next month's refreshments will be provided by Gwen Smith, Nancy Whalen, May Wong, and Linda Boman. Please remember to take home the bins.

Next month's Block of the Month was presented by Julie Young.

Show and Tell. Members shared their latest creation. A complete list will be provided by Diane LeGore in the newsletter.

Drawing Winners:

Self-Portrait Drawing - June Okano

Fat Quarter - Joanne Tarver, Judy Owens, Jackie Bianucci, Joanne Tarver, Mary DeBenedetti, Andrea Bradley.

Name Tag - Melinda McGlashan, Linda Rubio, Julie Young, Michael Sue Brown Korbel.

Block of the Month - May Wong

Reach Out - Marty Haan

Opportunity Basket - Rod Twitchell

Nickel Exchange - Valerie Birt

Fat Quarter Theme for June: Patriotic

Next Board Meeting will be 6:30 pm next Thursday, May 25th at Quilts and Things. All interested members are welcome to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm.

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