

PIECE BY PIECE QUILT GUILD

GENERAL MEETING

APRIL 20, 2023

WELCOME: General meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Grace Hill Church meeting room by Vice President Laurie Perez while Betty C. was away. There were approximately 70 people in attendance this evening. Laurie opened the meeting with an introduction of the new microphone system we are testing for possible purchase and replacement of the old one.

There were #3 guests in the audience and introduced as: Carina Pringle from South Africa (visiting her son), Robin S. from Gilroy and a returning former member Ms Acosta. A warm welcome was extended to them by the membership and the Vice President.

EVENING PROGRAM:

Leslie M. of the program committee announced the speaker, Ron Conlon, physical therapist at De Paul Medical Center. The focus of his presentation was tips and information to help quilters prevent injuries and how to keep fit for sewing. He touched on the topics of proper posture, hydration, frequent breaks, setting alarms to alert us to change positions, engaged us in exercises and fielded questions from the audience. He has been in practice for 35 years and the unique 40-minute program was enjoyed by the membership.

***Guild Break from 7:45-7:55pm.**

BEGIN COMMITTEE REPORTS

TREASURER's REPORT: Margaret Sullivan – no report requested by vice-president, but it was announced that the budget for year 2023 had not yet been brought before the membership for approval. A motion for an added budget item of \$800/year for the church hall rental and set up /take down fee of \$50/month was brought forth by Leslie M. and seconded by Margaret M. and was passed with a show of hands. It was also noted that the seed money from SVQA had been received. The budget will be presented to the membership at the MAY 2023 meeting for discussion/approval.

PROGRAMS : Marilee, Leslie, Cheri and Susan

Susan announced the workshop on May 18th from 1-4 pm is entitled "Everything but Cotton" by Julia McCloud. She will also be the presenter for the evening guild program entitled "Smithereens". The workshop will require 1 man's dress shirt (shirting material) and 8 neckties and special Pellon inexpensively sold at Laurie's shop. Neckties are available at the back of the room for the taking. The class is \$40 to register. A sign-up sheet is available at the back table for the workshop and payment.

Leslie and Susan attended NCQC where they booked several teachers for next year's programs. They also gave out flyers of our Quilt Show to the NCQC attendees and teachers.

The June program will be a Technique night and suggestions for ideas are welcome on the clipboard and sign-ups for helpers/presenters are encouraged. 5-6 presenters are needed to provide an 8-10 minute demonstration on a rotating format during the program time period. In the past, these have been fun and informative.

STANDING COMMITTEE: Melanie Martens

Sign-ups for BOM 2023 – Block of the month sign-ups are still needed for this year, specifically for June, August, September and January 2024. Please take time to sign up tonight.

Block of Month – The May block will be **THE FUNKY CHICKEN** submitted by Christine Widman and a description can be found in the newsletter along with instructions for completing the block with written instructions and a video if needed.

The **winner** of the drawing for the **APRIL BOM- SPRING BLOSSOM** (#28 blocks made) was won by Diane Tainter who was thrilled to receive the phone call that she had won!

Sew Days began this month in person and a successful quilt tying event was held by hostesses Margaret S. and Christine W. More volunteers will be needed for future Sew Days Hostesses. May will be taken with the scheduled workshop and

June is projected to be the next quilt tying Sew Day. Reminder that the church puts up the tables for SEW DAY.

Sign-ups for philanthropy baskets are still needed for this year.

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE MEMBERSHIP: Kelly Ann Brown – Kelly Ann reported our membership enrollment this evening was at #113 members! (Last year this time we had 60 members).

Members were directed to the new FUN DAY pictures that had been posted on the “EVENTS/ACTIVITIES” page of the website “piecebypiecequilters.com”

Important projects and information pertaining to Fun Day, The Quilt Show and other major collaborative events have special links within the website and can be located on the activities/events page.

Reminder that pictures and videos will be removed and new ones posted on the website to keep it up to date and fresh.

MEMBERS AT LARGE: Linda Rubio/Susan Jackson - Nothing to report.

PHILANTHROPY: June Okano/ Linda Boman/Carol Ikemoto

The quilt tops from the storage unit (approx. 40 -50) that have been donated to the guild over the years were successfully tied yielding 12 completely done, 11 more matched with backs, and 10 tops with backs partially completed and some were taken home by various members to finish and be brought back for donation. 20 members gathered to accomplish the task on Sew Day and 12 quilts were donated to **Wrap Ukraine with Quilts** headed by Kelley S. She gratefully accepted the quilts and would be sending them soon.

This month’s Philanthropy basket winner is Susie S. and this beautiful basket was donated by Laurel B.

Kits for QAYG Baby Quilts are on the back table. Batting and labels can be obtained from June Okano.

SUNSHINE: Diane Kirkpatrick – Diane sent 2 cards this month: Diane T. and Evelyn Sullivan’s family (Evelyn passed away this April). Memorial service information for May 13th services can be requested from Laurie Perez if interested in attending.

OLD BUSINESS:

Zoom Sew Day –Chris Bradshaw - Next zoom meeting will be Wed. May 10 from 10-1pm and the theme will be Reunion Day with past and current participants and is open to all.

Fun Day Report-Marilee Kline. Fun Day was a complete success with 60 participants in attendance. Marilee thanked the work of the Fun Day committee which had its planning beginnings back in 2019! There was much anticipation about next year and a sign-up sheet is available for the formation of a new committee which usually begins its preparations in Oct 2023. Theme Ideas were requested and are to be submitted in writing for consideration to the committee.

Quilt Show – September 2023 Leslie M. reporting as a member of the Quilt Show Committee: She invited members to sign up to help the Quilt Show Committee if they are interested. The committee meets the 2nd Friday of the month at the quilt shop at 9:30 am.

The show is Sept 23-24, 2023, and may or may not be in conjunction with Taste of Morgan Hill or the Car Show (which is presumed to still be scheduled on Saturday). Advertising for the Quilt Show will be managed by the guild and ¼ sheet flyers have already been designed and are being passed out along with posters in local businesses.

The Theme is “Through the Needle’s Eye” and a challenge for the show has been issued to make any rendition of that theme into a 20’ x 20” quilt entry.

Entry blanks will be available on the website and non-members may enter quilts. Other important information will be posted on the guild’s website regarding judging, applications and updates.

There will be a section for Vintage Quilts, and it has been requested to have a “story” submitted along with the quilt, telling it’s history to the viewer.

There will be a boutique and currently we still need a coordinator for the boutique. Items suggested are pet themed creations, small baby items/quilts, potholders, kitchen items and small decorative items. For those wishing to donate handmade things, Laurie has opened her shop to people wishing to use it for groups to do sewing and crafting for the boutique so give her a call to arrange a date.

There is still a need for a raffle basket coordinator for the show, and this has been a large money maker in years past.

Name Tag Drawing – winner- Jenny T.

Reach Out Donation Drawing –Sid Nash (\$10 gift certificate to Quilts and Things).

Fat Quarter Drawing – “Flowers” was the theme of the fat quarters this month and

they were won by Carol I. and Jenny T.

Show and Tell -see photos taken by Kelly posted on the website.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Guild Budget: See Attached

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm by Vice President Laurie Perez.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Widman, Co-Secretary

**PIECE BY PIECE QUILTERS
BUDGET 2023**

Category	Income 2023	Expense 2023	Income vs Expense Budget	Comments
Ad Space	\$ 90.00	\$ -	\$ 90.00	Affiliate Members
Bank Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Check purchase, bank fees
Contest UFO's, Challenges, etc.	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)	Gift Certificates
Fun Day	\$ 2,475.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (25.00)	Income Based on 45 people at \$40.00 admission, \$5.00 mystery. Expense includes room rent, breakfast food , snacks and mystery pattern
Gifts	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)	Gift for outgoing President
Guild Workshops	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (500.00)	
Holiday Party - Block activity	\$ 250.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 195.00	Already purchased block fabric for 2023 (Collected \$288 for block fabric in 2022)
Holiday Party - Food/Entertainment	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ (750.00)	Guild purchases food for Holiday Party.
Ice Cream Social	\$ -	\$ 110.00	\$ (110.00)	Guild purchases Ice cream and cookies for July meeting
Insurance	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)	
Maintenance for Mtg Room	\$ -	\$ 475.00	\$ (475.00)	\$25.00 setup Wednesday night (starts April) and \$25 take down per meeting
Meeting Room	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ (800.00)	\$200 Quarter to the Church
Meeting Supplies & Equipment	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ (250.00)	New Microphone Equipment
Membership Dues	\$ 3,960.00	\$ -	\$ 3,960.00	Based on 110 members @ \$36 each
Membership Newsletter	\$ -	\$ 240.00	\$ (240.00)	\$20/month Constant Contact Fee
Membership to Other Organizations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	NCQC for 2 years 2022 first year. Will need to add to budget in 2024 (\$40 for 2 year.
Philanthropy	\$ 1,825.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 975.00	Income Includes fabric sale in July and opportunity basket ticket sales. Expense includes \$25/mo for philanthropy baskets at meetings, batting and flannel for donatio quilts.
PO Box #724	\$ -	\$ 194.00	\$ (194.00)	Actual charge for 2023
Postage and Office Supplies	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)	Postage: envelopes, printing charges etc.
Programs	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)	Based on what has been booked for 2023
Quilt Show	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	Needs to earn enough money for the next year (\$'s from SVQA plus money earned a 2023 Quilt show)
Reach Out Gift Certificates	\$ -	\$ 120.00	\$ (120.00)	\$10 per meeting
Rent Storage Unit (due Sept)	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ (1,400.00)	
Retreat	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ -	
Sunshine	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ (25.00)	Purchase cards
Website	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)	Domain Hosting Renewal
Zoom	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total	\$ 31,600.00	\$ 33,219.00	\$ (1,619.00)	There's still some discussion on this whether to renew or not. In 2022 paid \$156.65