

Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild

Gualala Arts Building

March 16, 2012

Meeting called to order at 1.00 p.m. by Past-President Joyce Gaudet for President Polly Dakin who was out of town. 28 members were present

Minutes of the February 17, 2012 meeting: Motion was made by Lori Holmes to approve the February minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Iris Lorenz-Fife. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Kalyann Oleson: Beginning balance was \$12,040.78. January income was \$947.00. Expenses were \$1515.00. Ending balance is \$11,472.78.

Program Committee: Kalyann Oleson: Terry Waldron's "Scavenger Quilt" workshop was yesterday. Marion Coleman from EBHQ will be the lecturer at the April 20 meeting. Allison Schwabe, "Hot Quilts from Cold Scraps" workshop is scheduled for May 16 & 17. Please look at the Workshop descriptions on the GAC website and, if possible, sign up for a workshop.

Continuing Education Committee: Kalyann Oleson: The committee would like to hear from you. What do you think could be scheduled next? Should they schedule a Beginning Quilting class again? Lisa Swaiman would be interested in the Beginning Quilting class and Lori Holmes mentioned there are people at Action Network who would be interested. Please email Kalyann or Jan Carter with any information.

Membership: Gail Spencer: Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues. One person is remaining and another has the check in the mail. Gail is in the process of updating the roster. Be sure to check your contact information on the web site and notify Gail if your information has changed (email, mailing address, phone number). We have 100 members.

Publicity: No one has volunteered for this position. If you are willing to serve or you know someone, please email Polly Dakin.

Newsletter: Anna Hines was not able to attend the meeting, but it was noted by the membership that Anna did a wonderful job on the Newsletter last month. Deadline for submitting items for the newsletter will continue to be the 25th of the month, which means the next Newsletter deadline is March 25.

Website: Bonnie Toy: no report

Library: Kalyann reported in Mirka Knaster's absence: Books, patterns and magazines donated to the guild and available for purchase by members were displayed on the tables. Books and patterns have prices on them, magazines are 25 cents. Payment is on the honor system. Please make checks payable to PPQG and give your checks to Kalyann for deposit into the general fund.

Hospitality: Sylvia Keller: Keep bringing cookies! Thank you to those who brought cookies today.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet: Joyce has been looking at several venues for ideas and has sent for a few patterns of things to make for the Festival of Trees. She hopes to have some patterns available in May so we can get started.

Special Events: Renata Lopez: no report

Challenge 2012: Kalynn Oleson: This year's goal is to have one more entry than last year, which was 80 entries. As of today, there are only 12 entry forms submitted. March 21 is the deadline for entry form submission. Please continue to work on your quilts and submit an entry!! Quilts are to be delivered to the GAC on Wednesday, April 4.

Barbara Dunsmoor reminded everyone that the guild has a reputation to uphold—PPQG has the best hors d'oeuvres. Everyone please bring a finger food on a nice presentation plate (no paper plates). Take your item to the kitchen or the conference room for Barbara and Joyce to distribute as needed.

Dee Goodrich will be taking Challenge posters to Fort Bragg.

Comfort Quilts: Joyce Gaudet: Joyce presented in Polly's absence reporting that there are a few quilts in reserve, however, several comfort quilts were distributed last month. Please continue to make and donate comfort quilts.

Quilts of Valor: Marilyn Limbaugh: Marilyn sent around a sign-up sheet so she could get an idea of how many quilts were in progress and how many were finished. She has 12 quilts and needs 25. She will contact the VA to schedule delivery in May or June. Marilyn will not be at the April meeting, however, quilts can be given to Polly. Remember to do the presentation bag and put a label on your quilt. Quilt of Valor labels are available at the Loft and the Dolphin. Size should be bigger than a crib, smaller than a twin, good "estimate" is 50" x 60", but Marilyn is "not going to get out the tape measure". Marilyn showed a quilt with no name on it. Since no one recognized it, Marilyn will do a label noting it is "from the guild".

2012 AIR Quilt: Judy Riddle: The quilt top is finished and has been given to Sharon Malachowski to quilt. Sharon expects to finish the quilt by the first of April. Hopefully it can be bound and finished for display at the Challenge opening.

Name Tag drawing was won by Lori Holmes

New Business: Judy Riddle would like to distribute question (?) cards at the beginning of each meeting. As you sign in, please pick up a "?" card, answer the question and leave it in the "?" basket. The intent is to have one or possibly two questions so that it won't take long to check the box with your answer. The question and the answers will be included in the Newsletter each month. The intent is to assimilate information about the members. For instance, Do you quilt your own quilts? Do you machine quilt or hand quilt? What is your preferred type of quilt? Art, Contemporary, etc. If you have an idea for a question or there is something you would like to know, send an email to Judy Riddle and she will add it to the list.

Show and Tell: Judy Riddle showed four baby quilts made by Sylvia Keller from fabric donated by Barbara Fast. These quilts were given to Dee Goodrich to take to the nursery at Mendocino Coast District Hospital in Fort Bragg for newborns. Margie Binker showed three items: a stack and whack quilt, and owl wall hanging honoring of her daughter, and a bright-colored quilt for a vision-challenged person. Dee Goodrich brought three quilts, a Quilt of Valor and a Comfort Quilt she made, and a Quilt of Valor made by Karen Lebeck. Gail Spencer showed a Quilt of Valor she started at the retreat, and a comfort quilt made by Diane Cunningham. Jeri Taylor showed two Quilts of Valor she made.

Guest Lecturer: Kalynn Oleson introduced guest, Terry Waldron, who presented an enjoyable lecture and an inspirational trunk show.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary