

Quilters Guild of Plano Meeting
January 12, 2023– 7:00 p.m. – Hunter’s Glen Baptist Church and on Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m. by Donna Petrick, President. Donna asked if there were any comments on the previous minutes; there being none, they were approved as posted.

Donna said the members of the Dallas Guild were present with their raffle quilt, and people were asked to buy raffle tickets. She also reminded everyone to turn in their volunteer hours to Tisha Harms. It’s important that we do this in order to maintain our guild’s non-profit status.

Mini Quilts: Kaye Dunn and Valerie Salter displayed two minis that were turned in tonight. Only 18 of them have been submitted so far, and we need many more.

Guild Retreat: Sara Lindsay and Diana Florence encouraged people to sign up for the quilt retreat just 36 days from now. Payments are due by February 1st.

Community Service: Bonnie Cook said that Sew Day is February 14th. Participants are asked to bring a cutting mat, iron, and an add-a-quarter ruler. They will be making house quilts, and the little trees will be ready to add to the quilts. This year we will have a birthday quilt challenge in which a completed quilt will be eligible for a drawing for a nice prize. Evelyn Cheek showed the block of the year (which can also be seen on our website) as well as a completed quilt of valor that was turned in tonight. Blocks and completed quilts are both appreciated.

Membership: Mary Alice Caffarel said that we had 78 members attending in person, 24 on Zoom, and 7 guests. New members since the December meeting are Sharon Newalu-Garcia, Cathey Jordan, Angela Watts, Terri Anderman, Linda Huggins, Jackie Galubenski, Sandra Clark, Karen Burns, and Cindy Harkins. Guest in attendance were Dan Chenault, Sharon Duarte, Barbara Pena, Christy Burdick, Christi Ables, Ann Lau, and Becky Pitre.

Because so many new members say that they cannot get into the private part of our website, all people who have joined since October 21, 2021, through tonight will receive an email. It will indicate how to login and set up a password. It will require a password change, even for those who have logged in successfully in the past.

Mary Alice also announced two needs. The first is for a door prize assistant who can help to collect door prizes for the meetings. The second is for making and turning in nine-patch blocks to send to members who move away from our area. Instructions are posted on our website, but they should consist of 5 squares of a color that reads as a solid, and 4 squares that are white or off-white.

Guild Activities: Michael Davison asked if anyone had completed something using the blue star blocks, and there was one shown. The next challenge will involve orphan blocks.

Programs and Workshops: Frances Hafer went through the various speakers and workshops that are coming in future months.

- February – Vicki Conley – “Inspired by the Parks” with a 2-day workshop entitled “Designing from Photo to Imagination”
- March – Mary Kerr – “Southern Quilts”
- April – Michelle Markey – Trunk show with two workshops: Fabric Painting 101 – The Elephant and Fabric Painting 102 – The Rooster
- June – Catherine Cureton from Running Doe Quilts with a trunk show with a workshop “Yours Truly – How to Adjust an Existing Pattern to Fit Your Needs”

Tisha Harms pointed out that the April workshops are filling up fast. There are still some openings in the two-day February workshop. She had requested that members volunteer to serve as workshop coordinators, and she has had a good response, with only a need for people for October 13th and 14th. Coordinators receive a free lunch and get to observe the workshop.

Tisha also announced the new pricing structure for workshops, as follows:

- One-day - \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members
- Two-day - \$100 for members and \$120 for non-members
- There is a discount for payment by check or cash.

Tisha also spoke about turning in volunteer hours. They can be sent to her at any time in the year, as she simply updates her spreadsheet upon receipt. Bars are now available for 2022.

Quilt Show: Carolyn Cosgriff said that raffle tickets are available. All members are encouraged to purchase 24 tickets for \$20 to sell or enter themselves. Currently she still needs two people on the show committee for signs and special exhibits. They could also use help with vendors.

Our speaker was Lilo Bowman, who had a PowerPoint presentation on organizing your sewing space, with lots of helpful ideas.

After the speaker Mary Alice presented three door prizes. They were from Quilt Country and Dan Chenault. The winners were Chris Fredericks, Kathy Glover, and Janet Carver.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Rentz, Secretary