

Quilters Guild of Plano Meeting
October 12, 2023– 7:00 p.m. – Hunters Glen Baptist Church

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Jeanne Vogel, President. Jeanne first announced that several members of our guild won prizes at the Texas State Fair. They were:

- Best of Show with Specialty Stitches: Marty Anderson
- 1st place, tote bag: Diane Poor
- 2nd place, adult apparel: Sally-Ann Flak
- Honorable Mentions:
- tote bags: Evelyn Cheek & Sally-Ann Flak
- 2 person quilted: Diane Poor
- Applique: Karen Linsteadt
- Beadwork: Marty Anderson

Jeanne also told us that both the Allen and McKinney guilds were present, showing their raffle quilts for this fall.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes from the September meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed. Jeanne then told us about the revisions to the Policies & Procedures that the board had been working on for the last couple of months. Many parts of the document were affected including the distribution of keys, officer duties, day retreat information, Community Service hours, the addition of Sunshine and Shadow, Bookmarks, Workshop volunteers, and others. The document had been posted online for members to review. Mary Alice Caffarel moved and Julie Schaefer seconded that the changes be approved. The motion passed.

Jeanne introduced two new board members, as follows:

- Kris O'Connor, the Vice President of Media, said that she is making changes to our website to make it more user friendly. All suggestions are welcome.
- Debbie Blair, the Co-Vice President of Community Service said that tonight they have dog bed covers and items to be quilted. She reminded us that the Community Sew Day is the second Tuesday of each month at the Plano Sewing Center, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. She also reminded us that November is the last month to turn in Birthday Quilts, as the prize drawing will be held in December. In addition, Deanna Tucker told us that the Plano ISD School-Age Parent Program needs anything a new parent can use; please donate by the November meeting, as their party is held in December.

Finance: Donna Morris, the Vice President of Finance, reported that the budget is set for this year.

Quilt Show: Laurie Lumston told the board about open positions on the committee. The new QP24 team will be asked to stand up in front of the November meeting. The open positions include the following:

- Program ad sales

- Registration and entries, shadowing Tisha Harms
- Set-up and Take-down, working with Carolyn Cosgriff
- Signage
- Special Exhibits
- Ribbons

Mini Quilts: Kaye Dunn told us the difference between a true mini and a small quilt. A true mini is a miniature version of a larger quilt and can be made by reducing the pattern sizes. Both types of quilts are welcome in the Mini Quilt auction and can be up to 24 inches square. Kaye stressed that each entry needs a 2-inch hanging sleeve, a name, and a label indicating who made it and the year it was made.

Education: Liz Beaty and Lorrie Gray said that they will be doing a demo prior to each meeting. Tonight's demo is about ripping. They are filming the demo and will offer a link to it in the next newsletter.

Activities: Chris Fredericks announced several challenges to be held this year, including those listed below. Details can be found at the Activities table.

- **The 60's Challenge:** Make a quilt that is 16 inches by 20 inches using your choice of a 60's theme. Signup begins at this meeting, and the quilts must be turned in by the May meeting.
- **Fat Quarter Challenge:** At the December meeting provide one or more of the following: Batik Fat Quarters in shades of purples or blues, Red White and Blue Fat Quarters, and/or Grunge Fat Quarters. Participants can bring one, two, or all three to participate in the raffle.
- **Pot Holder Challenge:** Signup will be done at the February meeting. The guild will provide 8-inch squares of Insul-Brite batting along with a paper bag for presenting your completed pot holder. The exchange will take place at the April meeting.
- **Members can participate in the Riley Blake Designs 2024 Block Quilt Challenge.** Registration is required, and sign-up sheets will be available through the December meeting.

Show and Tell: We began by displaying a variety of quilts and quilt tops that came from M.J. Fielek's Orphan Block quilt class. After that, several Birthday quilts were exhibited, as well as some other quilts made by members.

Quilts of Valor: Carolyn Cosgriff explained that on Veterans' Day, November 11, at 2:00 p.m., the Plano East Rotary Club is sponsoring a program at the Red Tail Pavilion, Oak Point Park. Eight veterans will be receiving quilts of valor.

Membership: Raj Aggarwal reminded members that we are taking membership renewals tonight. It's also possible to renew online. The committee is starting a Ride-share signup. If you wish to get a ride to guild meetings, please sign up with membership, and they will try to find someone in your area with whom you might ride to the meeting. Nine-patch blocks are needed to send to members who move away from our area. Some squares were passed out to members

willing to make some blocks. How-to information is available on our website. Visitors to this meeting included Mary Louise Brady, Nancy Elland, Donna Demby, Linda Cross, and Connie Pakebusch. Donna Allenbaugh became a new member.

Program: Beth Swiatek and Linda Sullivan announced that they have 4 openings in Friday's workshop and one in Saturday's workshop. The November program will be on Hawaiian Quilting with Paula Golden. Within the next month they will post information on our February workshops.

The speaker was Karen Stone, showing a PowerPoint presentation on her evolution as a quilter.

After the program, Raj Aggarwal presented door prizes to Diane Duda, Jo Wong, Mary Frances O'Neil, Virginia Braley, Candy Mahaffey, and Sheryl Vaughan. Raj said that the membership table will open at 6:15 at the November meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Rentz, Secretary