

Ocean Wave Quilters

Minutes - Sunday, February 11, 2018

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Dee Goodrich, President

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS:

35 members attended this meeting

Guests: Guests were Clarinda Trujilla and Diane Essen.

SUNSHINE:

Ginny read a thank you note the club received from parents of a baby who got one of our warm welcome quilts.

QUILT GUILDS OF THE NORTH QUARTER:

Dee reported on the meeting held in January in Oroville. She displayed the “favor” provided by their guild – a rubberized mat to put under your sewing machine pedal. She also noted that she and Becky sold \$105 worth of tickets for our quilts, and that our quilts really stood out because they were different. She noted that Arlene Arnold, the moderator, discussed the 10% rule for raffles. Other guilds spend a great deal more for the fabric for their quilts than we do.

BLOCKETTE:

Nancy K. presented the blockette for this month – a maple leaf. Members participating should use warm, autumnal colors, with a fabric that reads as solid for the background. We are making the 12” block. Bring your completed blocks to the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Quilt Show Committee – Judy Whitlock

Judy reported that the Quilt Show Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Fort Bragg Presbyterian Church. All members are welcome to attend.

Members are reminded that we need to sell \$2800 worth of raffle tickets for our opportunity quilts in order to be in compliance with the 10% rule. (No more than 10% of the proceeds of the raffle can be spent on the item being raffled.) Judy and Sharon L. both have tickets. If each member sells at least \$20, it will make a big impact. Checks should be made payable to Fort Bragg Quilt Show.

Sharon L. presented a proposal to purchase 2 industrial quilt frames. These frames “telescope” from 7-12 feet in height and from 7-12 feet in width, allowing us to easily hang larger quilts. We have had difficulty with larger quilts at past shows, having to pin up the bottom. Each frame will hold 2 quilts. The price per frame is approximately \$250 plus shipping; the plan is for OWQ to purchase one and for SINS to purchase one. OWQ would be able to borrow both quilts for other events if needed. Weight of a completed frame is nearly 50 lbs., but the component parts weigh less. The base is the heavy part, weighing 17 lbs. Dee noted that the frames are quite heavy and sturdy. Shirlee noted that the price is really not that high – she said someone purchased one of our wooden frames several years ago for \$150. Our bylaws state that an unbudgeted expense in excess of \$50 must be presented at a meeting, then published in the newsletter, and a vote taken at the next meeting, so this will be presented at the March meeting for a vote.

Sharon also presented the plan for this year’s quilt walk. A participating member drew the name of a merchant from a hat – she will make a quilt representing that merchant. Most quilts are small – 12” square or so. Quilters can go visit the merchant to get a better sense of what they do and where the quilt will hang. Quilts are due at the May meeting.

Sharon also presented the proposed judging categories. Our judge from last year, Arlene Arnold, had strongly recommended we eliminate the distinction between bed and wall quilts, and add a modern quilt category and a “mixed media” quilt category. Tina asked who would decide the category for a quilt; Sharon noted that the

quilter would check off the boxes on the form, but the quilts will be reviewed when they come in and a category could be changed. The members agreed to the proposed categories.

Education Committee – Carole P.

Carole reported that the Healdsburg Senior Living Quilt Show is going to be on Saturday, March 17. Members are encouraged to submit a quilt to display. Quilts need to be taken to Sew 'n Sew by Tuesday, March 12th at noon. Make sure you have a label on your quilt!

Carole also reported on the class that will be held on Monday, April 9th, at Sew 'n Sew. The instructor is Marjan Kleupfel and the topic is Seascapes. Nancy K. passed around some information about the class. To sign up, contact Nancy. Cost is \$20 for members. You will not be signed up until you pay.

Special Events Committee – Paula P. and Cindi Jo

Cindi reported on the plans for the Annual Tea being held on Sunday, April 8. There will be several changes this year. Food will be in one of four categories – Tea sandwiches, Savory (mini-quiches, scones, etc.), Sweet (cookies, cakes, etc.), and Gluten-free. All food must be cut into small bites and be finger food. Hostesses will be asked to provide tablecloths, 6 napkins, 6 teaspoons, 6 teacups and saucers (can be mugs), 1 teapot, 1 creamer, 1 sugar bowl, and 1 saucer for lemon wedges. (You may borrow these from Lonna.) The club will provide serving plates and the plates for each guest to eat from. Do not display your food on a tray – the food is going to be separated and served on plates the club is providing; these plates will be placed on the turntables at each table. There will be no buffet line. (If your item is gluten-free, please put a note on it. There will be one gluten-free table.) The club will also provide centerpieces. The Tea will begin in the meeting room with voting for brown bag challenge items and the guest lecturer. After the lecture, we will move to the luncheon room.

Cindi also reported that the March retreat (March 21-24) will be at the Lion's Hall again. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the next meeting. Members can volunteer to set up, clean up, bring paper plates, napkins, flatware, cups, swiffers, paper towels, etc.

Special Events Committee – Ginny

Ginny discussed the Dress a Girl project (dressagirlaroundtheworld.com), where members can make dresses from a specific pattern and sturdy cotton to benefit girls in 81 different countries. We could make dresses and send them to a distribution point in Sacramento. Members who want to participate will provide their own fabric. The club will provide the label that is sewn to the dresses and pay for the shipping. Ginny will bring copies of the pattern to the next meeting. We agreed that dresses should be done by the October retreat, so we can combine them into one shipment.

Announcements and Show and Tell:

The quilters who took Paula P.'s Mariner's Compass class at Sew 'n Sew displayed their finished blocks.

The quilters who took Evelyn's Convergence Quilt class displayed their finished projects.

Sue A. announced that the East Bay Heritage Quilters will be having their show on March 17 and 18, and, as part of the show, 100 of Sue's small quilts will be displayed. The show is being held at the Craneway Center in Richmond.

Many beautiful quilts were shared at Show and Tell.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Lau, acting Secretary