

**Fort Bragg Ocean Wave Quilters
General Meeting
November 13, 2022
1:30 – 3:30
Senior Center, Fort Bragg, CA**

Meeting called to order:

The 11/13/22 general meeting of the Fort Bragg Ocean Wave Quilters was called to order at 1:32 pm by Linda M, president.

Number of members present:

31 members and 2 visitors present.

Catherine S introduced Barbara J, and Sharon G introduced Julia. Both are interested in joining the group.

- **Minutes:**

Paula P made motion to approve the October 2022 minutes as sent out electronically; Evelyn H seconded the motion; all present agreed, motion carried.

- **Treasurer's Report:** Sharon L

No treasurer's report given at this time.

- **Committees:**

- **Communications:** Sharon L

Nothing currently

- **Hospitality:** Daisy W

Daisy informed the group of a "get well" card at the sign in desk for Carole P and husband Jay. Please fill free to sign it. Update - Carole is doing fine and Jay had been released from hospital.

- **Name Tag Drawing:**

Susan B is the winner. Congratulations Susan B.

- **Service:** Grace V

Grace V had to leave early so Marcia W gave her report which is in the Nov. Newsletter, and she also read a "thank you" card from Johanna J, a recipient of a quilt given to her at the Infusion Center, she expressed how grateful she was for it and how it warmed her, --thank you for this service.

She also related the note she'd sent to the Newsletter of her recent visit to the Infusion Center to drop off quilts. The RN (traveler, name unknown) showed her a small album and told her they take pictures of every quilt she brings; the patients can look through the pictures and make their decision on which quilt speaks to them. The staff voiced again how appreciative, and the patients are with the quilt donation.

Keep quilting and giving.

Evelyn H reported that she had not brought any Dress-A-Girl kits but if anyone needed one or more kits, please contact her and she would make sure they get them.

- **Education:** Martin W

Martin stated he had nothing new to report at this time but would email members as soon as he receives confirmation of upcoming class and presentation.

He reported that the latest Meet the Teacher meeting was positive. He learned of a couple more possibilities for classes and presentations. He also reported that the Quilt Guild of the

North Quarter would like to have their July 23, 2023, meeting in Fort Bragg. He will pass on more information as he gets it.

▪ **Tip of the Month:**

Linda W shared an interesting tip—for \$20 you can contact Vista Print online and get business cards for yourself with any information you want on it. Ever in a place where it is hard to relate to the person you are trying to give personal information to? Well, with one these business cards you just hand it to them and there the information is. Something to investigate. Thanks Linda.

▪ **Block of the Month Demonstration:** Sherry W

Sherry W explained the Chicken Block. She is providing a white-on-white poke-a-dot fabric as background and you provide the rest of the material needed to make a block. Kit contains background material and instructions.

▪ **Block of the Month Drawing:**

No drawing-- all the blocks being turned will be used to make the two 2024 Opportunity Quilts. January 19th, 2023 will be the deadline to turn in all the blocks for these two quilts.

▪ **Special Events:** Dee G and Susan B

Dee G and Susan B reported of Special Events coming up—**Holiday Party**, Dec11. It will be potluck. Food will be served by gloved servers. Many decorations. There will be a fashion show of wearable art, (bags, jackets, anything of wearable art) please indicate on signup sheet if you plan to take part in this and what food you'd like to bring.

Instead of a gift exchange, there will be a cookie (homemade preferably) exchange. You bring at least 2 dozen homemade cookies, and you then make your choice of at least 2 dozen cookies (with gloved hands of course). Boxes or bags and gloves will be provided. Festivities will start at 12:00 with eating to start at 12:30.

A holiday raffle basket will be present also. Whether or not it's a homemade basket remains to be seen right now but there will be basket full of goodies. (Goodies to include eat/drink/sewing/etc. items). Raffle tickets are \$1., 6 for \$5, 15 for \$10, 34 for \$20.

If you would like to donate to this basket, please bring donations to Sew n Sew.

There will not be a block demonstration or show and tell for this meeting.

If you would like to help serve the food or anything else, please contact Dee G or Susan B.

Cindi Jo W said she would help with cookie exchange.

As for the **Holiday Luncheon** held at a local restaurant, please feel free to talk among yourselves and plan accordingly as this was not a set event handled by the committee in years past. One person suggested it and it went from there.

Spring Appreciation Luncheon, Paula P volunteered to help. One suggestion given was to reserve the rooms needed for 2 days.

Brown Bags are still available \$5 each. Return competed in March at the General Meeting.

UFO Bags: Daisy W

There were some UFO Bags ready to be exchanged on table. Feel free to take and return in April.

Retreat: As noted in the Newsletter the Retreat was a great success. Thank you, Service Committee, for doing such a great job. Looking forward to the next one.

- **Quilt Show Report:** Paula P
 - Paula P started the report with the Quilt Walk- they are accepting quilt walk quilts now. She and Sherry W passed out forms for anyone wanting to enter quilt blocks for the quilt walk now. Quilts for the Hospital must have sleeves. Look around your home and see if you have any past years blocks that might be useful again for this year, or make a new one. Questions regarding quilt walk contact Sherry W.
Starting in January, Sharon R will have the volunteer list available for signups. Think about what and where you'd like to volunteer, we do need your help.
 - **Holiday Quilts for the Library:**
The quilts have not been hung yet.
 - **Opportunity raffle ticket sales:**
Linda M has raffle tickets for you today! Take some and sell to friends and family.

- **Patches and Hats:** Sharon L
Nothing to report currently.

- **New Business:**

Linda M introduced an item of importance today.

Because it is not budgeted, and it will exceed \$50, and according to our bylaws we are required to present this at a general membership meeting, then publish it in the next newsletter, and take a vote at the following general meeting. For this reason, she is introducing it at this meeting.

The proposal is coming from Sharon L and a small group that has been discussing a matter regarding the need for storage possibilities for OWQ at Sew 'n Sew.

Paula P has offered part of her back room to us for storage of OWQ things. With the price of lumber to build shelves in this back room the cost would be extremely high. It has been suggested that we use wire shelving racks on wheels as a quicker and more flexible choice. They could then be stored elsewhere if necessary.

Paula's generous offer will allow Sharon L to empty her studio of the 20 or so boxes of quilt kits and to make these kits much more available to members when they need them. Some of the items at the Senior Center could be stored there also.

We would have space for four 48" long, 18" deep shelving units – giving us a huge amount of storage. The cost would be between \$500-\$700, depending on whether we get the epoxy coating (which is highly recommended – prevents rust).

Attached to the last page of these minutes is the complete proposal with description and cost. Also mapped out is where they would be stored at Sew 'n Sew.

Please take time to preview this proposal and give us your opinion of it at next meeting.

Linda also received a letter from the Recreation and Parks District regarding a Silent Auction to be held at the CVS Center and the need for donations. The time and place for the Silent Auction is Saturday, December 10th at CV Starr Community Center. If you would like to donate a quilt for this Silent Auction, please contact Zach Quamme a 707-9640-9446 ext. 203 or email him at zquamme@mcrpd.us. The deadline for donations is November 30, 2022.

Show and Tell

Today we were privileged to see the beautiful makings of ten of our members. Thank you for sharing these items with us. Great job, beautiful works of art.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Rowan, Secretary
Fort Bragg Ocean Wave Quilters

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **November 27th** Sew Service Sunday
- **November 29th** OWQ Board Meeting 1:30 pm at Sew 'n Sew
- **November 29th** Newsletter articles due to Sherry W
- **December 1st** Education and Special Events Committee Meeting
10 am at Sew 'n Sew
- **December 7th** Quilt Show Committee Meeting 10 am at Sew 'n Sew
- **December 11th** General Meeting and Holiday Party Noon at the Senior Center
- **December 27th** OWQ Board Meeting 1:30 pm at Sew 'n Sew

Proposal for purchasing shelving units for Ocean Wave Quilters' storage at Sew n Sew

4 units – 48" long x 18" deep x 72" high wire shelving on wheels (actual height 77")
5 shelves are adjustable in terms of height
On caster wheels

PRICE (free shipping in both instances)

Costco without epoxy coating: \$129.99 each (total \$519.96 plus est. tax \$44.56 = \$564.52)

Amazon with epoxy coating: \$165.35 each (total \$661.40 plus tax \$56.68 = \$718.08)

