

# The Quilters of the Nature Coast

## General Membership Meeting Agenda February 9, 2012

**Time:** 10:30 A.M.

**Call to Order and Verification of Quorum** 28 members, 2 new members, and 8 visitors

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Introduction of New Members from Last Month's Meeting:**

Joan Beals, present, the following were absent; Marge Roloff, Ruth Turner, Betty Wilson, Linda Wade

### **Introduction of New Members at Today's Meeting:**

Maryann Ellis and Paula Drankwalter

### **Introduction of Guests:**

Jean Simpson, Margaret Schmidt, Barbara Tattusall, Judith Dietz, Janet Hotaling, Nancy Crowe, Nancy Marsden and Paula Buth.

### **Approval of Minutes of Last General Membership Meeting**

Bobbie Lemay moved that the minutes be approved as posted on the website. The motion was seconded by Doris Trudeau. The minutes were approved unanimously.

### **Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:**

- **President's Report** – Barbara Ogden
  - Tax exempt status from FL Dept of Revenue - No need to pay sales tax on items purchased for the guild. Must be paid for directly by the guild---*NO REIMBURSEMENT of purchases allowed.*
  - Thanks for working on the **chatelaines**, which are now for sale \$7.00 each, at Adele's table. There will be another sewing session to make more, or you can pick up a free pattern to take home and make your own.
  - Marion Dorman volunteered to take care of refreshments. Thanks, Marion.
  - Sandy Godsy, Barbara Ogden and Marion Dorman provided today's goodies.
  - **Challenge Quilts** looking great (size 22" x 18"). Keep up the good work. No voting today because we only have three, therefore all three are winners.
  - Don't forget your 8" square personal membership (history) blocks
  - **Public Relations** – Joyce Griffith suggested we remove this section from the minutes.
  - **Webmaster** – Terry Ogden. A new page on the website for news and announcements is being constructed. All guild members are strongly encouraged to check the website often to keep up with all that is happening within the guild. Items that are posted on the website will not be brought up at the General Membership Meetings in order to shorten the length of the meetings.
  - **Newsletter** – Terry Ogden – Nothing to report.

- **Vice President's Report** – Nina Ridgeway explained the BOM process
  - **Quilting Academy** – Joyce Griffith has taken over as Quilting Academy Coordinator. Barbara Ogden will teach “Star” Paper piecing pattern.
  - **Programs** – Beverly Boyce -
    - Trip to Lakeland Quilt Expo - 12 members are to go on the ASG bus the 23<sup>rd</sup> of Feb. Some members are going by car the next day, Friday.
    - Quilt show at the West Pasco Guile in Hudson in March. See web site for details
    - Marion Dorman – Volunteers are needed to bring in refreshments each month. See Marion to volunteer. Doris Trudeau, Bobbie Lemay and Mary Ann Ellis volunteered for March.
  - **Special Events** – Judy George –
    - BBQ on April 11<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) at the Linda Pedersen Park, 2-5 pm. Please bring a dish. See web site for details and directions.
    - Potluck in September, Please provide the recipe and Judy will try to enter it in the recipe Scrap book she is creating.
    - May event not yet decided. All suggestions welcomed.
    - **Christmas Party** in December, preparations are in progress, noting definite as yet.
  - **Raffle Quilt** – The raffle quilt has been chosen, but permission of artist is required to reproduce and offer it for sale. We are awaiting copy right approval. The quilt pattern is called “Diamond Dazzler” and a link to it will be placed on our website.
  
- **Secretary's Report** – Belinda Boncaro
  - **Librarian** – Debbie Orndorff – Limited Library online, need more books. The process to view and order library books was discussed.
  - **Membership** - Peggy Macedo – New directory based on members as of February's meeting will be available at the March meeting. Once the directory has been published, updates will be available on the web site.
  - **Historian** – Belinda Boncaro – History CDs of 2011 will be available at the March meeting and copies will be kept in the Library. CDs will be available for purchase as well for \$2.00 each. Belinda stressed that we need a volunteer for this position.
  
- **Treasurer's Report** – Sandy Godsy current balance is \$952.14. Financial report is available for viewing, see Sandy.
  - **Charity and Outreach** – Sandy Godsy –
    - Sandy explained the.”One person, One project” concept.
    - One current project is the making of “texture” quilts. This is a project for the blind. Anyone interested contact Jeanette Maiorano, who will head this project.
    - The Breast Cancer pillow project is headed by Judy George. She will have kits prepared which members can take home, complete and return.
  - **Ways and Means** - Adele Maier spoke about raffle baskets and requested that member contribute fabric to be cut into Fat Quarters to sell

#### Reports of Special Committees:

- **Nominating Committee** – Marion Weeden absent. Terry Ogden was asked to take her place and explained the election process.
  - The Nominating Committee nominated Barbara Ogden to be re-elected to the position of President. Terry asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were none. Doris Trudeau made a motion to re-elect Barbara by acclamation. Bobbie Lemay seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.
  - The Nominating Committee nominated Belinda Boncaro to be re-elected to the position of Secretary. Terry asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were none. Doris Trudeau made a motion to re-elect Belinda by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Pat Turner and the motion was passed unanimously.

### **Special Announcements and Programs**

- **Welcome to Debbie Orndorff as new Librarian** – More books are needed to be offered for loan.
- **Magazine Sale** – Bring in your old magazines so we can re-circulate them.
- **QNC Program at West Hernando Library on March 20<sup>th</sup>** – “All about Quilting” – flyers will be sent to all friends of the library. Good opportunity to toot our horn and promote our guild. Presentation will take place at 2 pm and anyone may accompany Barbara
- **Trying to streamline meetings** – Terry is adding a “News and Announcements” page to the website. If something is on the website, it won’t be repeated at these meetings unless it’s extremely important. So check the website frequently.
- **Challenge Quilt Display** – Will remain at the restaurant for the time being until we find a more appropriate place. Talking to library about possibility of having it there. The Library opportunity is doubtful due to liability issues.
- **Refreshments** – The members voted to continue to have coffee and goodies available at the General Meetings. The guild will provide coffee, cream, sweetener and cups, etc. Marion Dorman will arrange for other goodies. Doris Trudeau, Bobbie Lemay and Mary Ann Ellis will provide the goodies for the March meeting. Marion will provide a sign up sheet at next month’s meeting so that members will have the opportunity to sign up for future meetings.
- **Addition of Open Forum on the agenda for members to speak** – Members will be able to speak at a specific time during the General Membership meetings for a period of three minutes. Members wishing to speak must notify the president prior to the meeting
- **OK, who’s not wearing a name tag today?** Two members were not wearing their name tags and could not name the quilt block; they had to pay a fine of \$0.50 each.

### **Other Activities:**

- **Show and Tell** (10 items)
  1. Judy George “Day at the Beach”
  2. Adele Maier “Celtic Knot”

3. Barbara Simmons "Lilac" & "Basket of Strawberries"
  4. Peggy Macedo "Strata Star"
  5. Jan Radziejewski "Strata Star"
  6. Doris Trudeau "Beginner's Square" From Joyce Griffith's class
  7. Thea Conley "Heavenly Garden" Fussy cut Art Stars (stack & whack)
  8. Paula Drankwalter "Tree Farm"
  9. Paula Buth (no name quilt)
  10. Sally Cosenza quilt top from "Quilting for Beginners" class
- **Door Prize Raffle** (Adele Maier)
    - Amount taken in: \$16.00
    - Winner: Doris Trudeau
  - **50/50 Raffle** (Jan Radziejewski)
    - Amount taken in: \$100
    - Winner: Stella DeJesus-Kelly
  - **Fat Quarter Raffle** (Adele Maier/Jan Radziejewski)
    - Number taken in: 15
    - Winner(s): Janice Radziejewski & Adele Maier
  - **Block of the Month Raffle** (Nina Ridgeway)
    - Number Sold : 24 next BOM
    - Amount Returned 17 Winner: Barbara Simmons
  - **Fat Quarter Sales** (Adele Maier)
    - Amount Taken In: \$6.00
  - **Magazine Sales** (Marion Dorman)
    - Amount Taken In: \$0.00
  - **Other Sales** (Adele Maier)
    - Amount Taken In: \$1.00 (name tag) & \$1.00 (greeting card)
    - Guild sash sales: \$49.00
  - **Donations for Food Pantry** (Adele Maier)
    - Food donations: 19 food items
    - Dollar donations: \$9.00

**Call for Adjournment** 12:15 p.m.

Submitted by Belinda Boncaro, Secretary