

The Quilters of the Nature Coast

General Membership Meeting Minutes March 8, 2012

Call to Order and Verification of Quorum 29

Pledge of Allegiance

Silence Cell Phones

Introduction of New Members from Last Month's Meeting: Buttons and membership cards were presented to;

Paula Drankwalter,	Ruth Turner	Marge Roloff
Mary Ann Ellis	Betty Wilson	

Introduction of New Members from Today's Meeting:

Lucille Woodcock, Carol Maas, Sheila Kusmjak and Angel Kerney

Introduction of Guests: 4

Mary Hagerty, Barbara Flory, Florence Louncer and Janet Mumford

INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS – Marion Weeden presented President Barbara Ogden with the President's block (she designed and made her block) which she signed. Secretary, Belinda Boncaro also was presented with her Secretary's block, which she designed and made herself.

Approval of Minutes of Last General Membership Meeting

Bobbie Lemay motioned to approve the minutes of last month's meeting and it was second by Marion Dorman. There was no discussion. All voted in favor. The minutes are approved as written and posted on the website."

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

- **President's Report** – Barbara Ogden
 - Charity Sewing - Every other Friday, at Mike's, we will be having a sewing for charity session and the alternate Friday there will be classes of some kind. Tomorrow, Friday, there will not be anything going on at Mike's.
 - Rummage Sale - Thus far we have made \$105.40. The sale will continue after the meeting.
 - Charity – Sandy related what transpired at last Friday's charity session. Material was cut sorted and organized. The charity quilts will be lap size and kits will be provided so that the kit (5 inch squares). The next Charity session will be at Mike's Restaurant on March 16th
 - Breast Cancer Pillow Kits are available although quantities are limited. More kits will be prepared. Judy asks for donation of solid colored material. Patterns are available for you to take home with you (use your own material or ours) to make a pillow.

- **Quilting Academy**
 - Joyce's "Fundamentals of Quilting" – always fills up fast. She explained the cost and class activities of 4 Monday sessions for \$25.00
 - Joyce's "Exploring Appliqué" class – March 27th. Joyce will be having a class on "Back Based Appliqué" which is a much easier form of needle turning.
 - Barbara's "Paper Piecing for the First Time" – three sessions. This class is full but she will have another class in the future.

- **BBQ** in April – See web site for information as to date location etc. Bring a recipe of the food you made. It may be into the cook book which two of them will be raffled off.
 - May's program – "Journaling Your Quilts" by Joyce Griffith, will take place after the GM in May. Members who wish to go out for lunch after the meeting, let Barbara know at the start of the meeting so reservation can be made at some restaurant.

 - **Webmaster** – Terry Ogden
 - Monthly Directory Updates under "Documents and Forms" on "Members Only" section of website
 - "Purchase Reimbursement Voucher" – must be preapproved
 - Other forms that you might need
 - Directory includes copy of Bylaws and blank sheets for notes – Policies and Procedures Manual on website under "Documents and Forms"

 - **Newsletter** – Terry Ogden
 - Abbreviated Newsletter for March/April
 - Need inputs from everyone I've contacted-ASAP

- **Vice President's Report** – Nina Ridgeway
 - **Quilting Academy** – Joyce Griffith see above
 - BOM – Nina Ridgeway explains the difference with this month's BOM. This time the white material needs to be sub-cut. It also includes a 2.5 center yellow block. You supply the other colors required for the BOM.

 - **Programs** – Beverly Boyce
 - Marion Dorman – Refreshments – today's contributors are; Doris Trudeau, Marion Dorman and Bobbie Lemay. Next meeting in May Nina, Joan Beals and Beverly Boyce will supply the refreshments
 - Signup sheet is available for members to sign up for future meetings' refreshments.

 - **Special Events** – Judy George
 - BBQ in April, see above
 - Potluck in September, no additional information at this time
 - Christmas Party in December will have an ornament exchange. All ornaments must be handmade as opposed to store bought.
 - Raffle Quilt – Copy-right permission received by secretary

- **Secretary's Report** – Belinda Boncaro-Please review the directory and tell Terry if corrections are needed. Please change my phone number to 352.593.1896
 - **Librarian** – Debbie Orndorff- No report
 - **Membership** - Peggy Macedo-3 new members today
 - **Historian** – Belinda Boncaro
 - The album is available for viewing. All guild pictures are to be sent to Terry for posting in the NL and the album
 - 2011 Picture CD available in Library and for sale - \$2

- **Treasurer's Report** – Sandy Godsy current balance \$1221.14, see attached for details.
 - **Charity and Outreach** – Sandy Godsy – Explain concept.
 - Jeanette Maiorano – Texture Quilt Project-absent
 - Judy George – Cancer Quilt Project-no report
 - **Ways and Means** - Adele Maier –
 - Theme of Fat Quarters for May “Flowers”
 - Theme of Challenge Quilt Contest for May is “Remembering Our Heroes” the size is to be 18 x 22 or 24 inches There are three categories, Beginner, Accomplished and advanced
 - April BBQ – Raffle of Quilt Donated by Jeanette Maiorano was displayed for all to see.

Reports of Special Committees: - None.

Special Announcements and Programs

- **REMINDER - 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.

- **QNC Program at West Hernando Library on March 20th at 2 p.m.–** “All about Quilting” – flyers will be sent to all friends of the library. Good opportunity to toot our horn and promote our guild.

- List of paid **sponsors** can be found on the links section of website and links to their businesses. Others have been removed. Let the shop that you visit, know you're from QNC and that you appreciate their advertising with us. Tell other merchants that they're missing a terrific advertising opportunity – only \$25 per year [their competition is gaining on them]

EVENTS TAKING PLACE AT or NEAR US

- Singer Sewing Center in Hudson
- Quilts on Plum Lane in Dade City 30% every day
- Bernina Sewing Center in Tampa
- Suwannee Valley Shoppes in Trenton
- Mike's Family Restaurant (in kind donation pro-bono)

1. All members wearing their **name tag**, hurray

Unfinished Business

- **None**

New Business

- **None**

Other Activities: Show and Tell

1. Marion Dorman Hearts for Patty
2. Paula Drankwalter A tote and Prairie point Christmas tree wall hanging
3. Adele Maier BOM (baby bud) top completed
4. Sally Cosenza Squares from Nina' class put together, as a top
5. Barbara Simmons Fall colors for brother-No name and Feb. FQ Hearts wall hanging

- **Door Prize Raffle (Adele) -**
 - Amount taken in: \$20.00
 - Winner: Joan Beals
- **50/50 Raffle (Jan) -**
 - Amount taken in: \$92.00
 - Winner: Sandy Godsy \$46.00
- **Fat Quarter Raffle (Adele/Jan) -**
 - Number taken in: 15
 - Winner(s): Jan Radziejewski and Marion Dorman
- **Block of the Month Raffle (Nina) -**
 - Number Sold : 22
 - Amount Taken In: \$22.00
 - Winner: Joan Beals
- **Fat Quarter Sales (Adele) -**
 - Amount Taken In: \$8.00
- **Magazine Sales (Marion Dorman) -**
 - Amount Taken In: \$4.25
- **Other Sales –**
 - Amount Taken In: \$28.00 for chatelaines
- **Other Sales –**
 - Amount Taken In: \$2.00 Card
 - **Donations for Food Pantry (Adele) –**
 - In kind donations: 26 items
 - Dollar donations: \$10.50

Call for Adjournment 12:10 p.m.

Submitted by Belinda Boncaro, Secretary