

The Quilters of the Nature Coast

General Membership Meeting Agenda August 8, 2012

Call to Order 1030am

Welcome to the Meeting 20 members present

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Being Conducted by VP Nina Ridgeway because...

Barbara's Absence – Had neck surgery last Tuesday. She is improving slowly but it is still quite painful and it is difficult to hold head upright for any length of time. She promises to be back next month.

Beverly Boyce will act as sponsor for guests and newcomers today in the absence of **Bobbie Lemay**

Introduction of New Members from Last Month's Meeting: No new Members

Introduction of Guests: No Guests

Approval of Minutes of Last General Membership Meeting

Beverly Boyce made a motion to approve the minutes of last month's meeting. Jean Simpson second. No discussion requested. All voted in favor signified by "Aye."
The minutes are approved as written as posted on the website.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

- **President's Report** – Barbara Ogden (Nina Ridgeway)
 - **Sick Call. Peggy Macedo's husband George** passed away on Sunday. He suffered tremendously and he finally is at a place where he is not suffering. The final funeral arrangements have not been made, but you can be assured that Barbara will keep you informed as soon as she gets any news. Please keep Peggy and her family in your prayers, she needs all of us right now.

Sharon Parent is recuperating from knee surgery. After spending several days in ICU, she is getting better every day.

Sally Cosenza's husband Paul will be undergoing spinal surgery in the near future.

Pastor Drankwalter, Paula's husband, has had some severe health problems lately as well.

Please please pray for our daughter Laura.

This list is getting to be far too long. Please keep all of our friends in your thoughts and prayers and see if we can't get the list whittled down to nothing soon.

- **Thea Conley** has stepped up to become our new **Membership Chair** taking over for Peggy. Eventually Peggy will be back with us and support our efforts at whatever we need her for, but at this point let's welcome Thea as our new Chair and give her a big hand to thank her for stepping up to the plate. (Barbara and the rest of the gang are grateful to you.) This is a very important job that involves keeping the membership rolls up to date and being at the greeting table to welcome our members, visitors and new members. And signing up for *Challenge Quilts* and *Show and Tell*. Thanks, Thea. How about a hand for Thea.
- As you know, Paula Drankwalter is our **Program Chair**. Due to family issues she is unable to be with us today, but she assures us she's busy planning trips for us. Thank you Paula for stepping up to the plate. She is planning a trip for us to Rainbows End in Dunedin.
- **Paula Buth** has graciously volunteered to take over the **Block of the Month** Program. Paula, we love you. Thank you so much.
- **Belinda** will be on vacation for three months. **April Jones** has volunteered to help us out in Belinda's absence. April, the guild thanks you. Let's have a hand for April.
- **Rug Mug Swap** - Unfortunately this program is currently on hold as Barbara has not heard anything from our UK sister guild. I am sure they are as busy as we are and eventually all the pieces will fall into place. Judy showed us two examples to the group; she stated we can download patterns off the internet.
- We received a letter from the **Dawn Center** thanking us for our donation of 20 quilts to be handed out to their residents, victims of domestic violence. Thanks to all of you who worked on the quilts that we were able to donate to this wonderful project. *Sandy read the letter, they were very appreciative. Because of the generosity of friends like us they can continue to provide this service. They do give a program and we will arrange for them to come later on in the year.*
- There will be a **Love of Sewing Retreat October 4-6** in **Lady Lake** featuring **Nancy Zieman**. Early bird price is \$225 (before August 15th) or \$250 thereafter. *See flyer on the front desk.*
- The **Dunedin Fine Art Center** will be featuring an exhibit of quilts from **Quilt National 11**, originating at the **Dairy Barn Arts Center in Athens, Ohio**. The exhibit in Dunedin will be from **May 31st to August 11th next year**. *See flyer on the front desk.*
- We're still working on getting our **young folks** interested in quilting.
- Need your **personal history blocks**. Come on. It's not a tough thing to do. Kind of like eating your peas and carrots. You know, do it and get it over with. *(Have blocks from Barbara and Terry Ogden, Marie Taverna, Lynn Squires, Sandy Godsy, Jan Radziejewski, Sharron Parent, Paula Buth and Nina*

Ridgeway.) We did not get any new blocks this month, please work on these and turn them in next month and let's surprise Barbara.

- **Parliamentarian** - Marion Weeden - **Fashion Show** sponsored by **Boutique on Wheels**. **Fashion Show** will be at **Sylvan Grove**, we need **5 models**, all clothes are washable, very reasonable, she will bring the clothes and you can take them home with you. She will give us a **10% discount** and also will give a percentage of what she sells to the guild. The date will be **October 15th**, a **Monday**, **Lunch** and the show. A couple of other groups are going to attend, the **American Sewing Guild**, and the **Florida Sewing Society**, and they will buy too, which will help with the percentage to our guild.
- **Webmaster** – The display case is no longer at the restaurant, so we will put a special page on the website for all the **Challenge quilts**, so that all will see them.
- **Newsletter** – **Terry Ogden** - nothing
- **Public Relations** - nothing

- **Vice President's Report – Nina Ridgeway**
 - **Quilting Academy** – **Nina Ridgeway** – **BOM** - **Paula Buth** has taken over the **BOM**
 - **Programs** – **Paula** is working on a trip for us to go to **Rainbows End** in **Dunedin**
 - **Special Events** – **Judy George**
 - September Potluck on **September 12th**, if you haven't already signed up please do so, **20 people** have already signed up, please bring recipe, there is a **Microwave** here if you need to warm something up, **Guild** will provide all paper supplies.
 - **Christmas Party** in **December** at **Country Kitchen** in **Brooksville**, **Menu** is coming along for this event stay tuned for more information
 - **Report on Raffle Quilt** – started working on it (plan, tickets, etc.)
 - **Breast cancer pillow patterns** available, **Judy** took **10** of the pillows to the **Florida Cancer Care Center** on **50**; they sent a lovely thank you note that they appreciated them very much. They are not just using them for **Breast cancer patients** but also for **chemo patients**. **Judy** will make more patterns to hand out.
 - **Refreshments** – **Marion Dorman** – **Potluck luncheon** after meeting in **September** here at the **Sylvan Grove Clubhouse** on **Wednesday** the **12th**.

- **Secretary's Report – Belinda Boncaro**
 - **Librarian** - nothing
 - **Membership** - nothing
 - **Historian**- nothing

- **Treasurer's Report – Sandy Godsy** **Treasurer's report current balance \$1303.47** see attachment
 - **Treasurer's Financial Report – Sandy Godsy**

- **Charity and Outreach – Sandy report the Charity quilting sessions are so much , please come out and join us, we have 19 quilt kits cut out, please take a kit and sew it together and bring back to next meeting.**
- **Ways and Means - Adele Maier –**
 - Theme of Fat Quarters for September is "Halloween" and color is orange
 - Theme of Challenge Quilt Contest for September is "The New World" to celebrate Columbus's discovery of the new world.
 - Adele asked us all to bring in any material that we no longer needed for our charity quilts.

Reports of Special Committees: - None.

Special Announcements and Programs

- Quilt Party postponed until September due to Mug Rug Exchange with UK quilters. Need to know who wants to participate 11 people raised their hands that wanted to participate. Need patterns. Find info on internet. Should be fun and unique.
- **OK, who's not wearing a name tag today? 50 cents, please 4 people without name tags**
- **Addition of Open Forum on the agenda for members to speak**

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Open Forum – Any member may speak for three minutes

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Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- None

Program

- No program today

Other Activities:

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- **Show and Tell Time** (Thea Conley) – List of items to President
- **Marian Dorman – Star Pupil Quilt**
- **Paula Buth – Alaska Quilt**
- **Jan Radziejewski – Snowballs**

- **New Members** (Thea Conley) Dues paid \$____0.00____

- **Door Prize Raffle** (Adele Maier) -
 - Amount taken in: \$____19.00____
 - Winner: ____Jan Radziejewski____

- **50/50 Raffle** (Jan Radziejewski) -
 - Amount taken in: \$____66.00____
 - Winner: ____Marian Weedon____

- **Fat Quarter Raffle** (Adele Maier/Jan Radziejewski) -
 - Number taken in: ____14____2 packs of 7
 - Winner(s): ____Sandy G/ Doris____

- **Block of the Month Raffle** (Paula Buth/Barbara Simmons) -
 - Number Sold : ____28____
 - Amount Taken In: \$____28.00____
 - Winner(s): ____9 blocks Adele Maier 8 blocks Barbara Simmons____

- **Fat Quarter Sales** (Adele Maier) -
 - Amount Taken In: \$____10.00____

- **Magazine Sales** (Marion Dorman) -
 - Amount Taken In: \$____5.75____

- **Other Sales –**
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- **Donations for Food Pantry** (Adele Maier) –
 - In kind donations: ____-____
 - Dollar donations: \$____0.00____

Initials:

Sandy _____

Adele _____

Terry _____

Call for Adjournment 1230p

