

# The Quilters of the Nature Coast

## General Membership Meeting Minutes September 12, 2012

### Call to Order

Verification of Quorum 24 with 3 guests

### Welcome to the Meeting

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Announcements:

- **Barbara's Health** – Barbara took this time to thank everyone for their well wishes and cards and let everyone know she is doing well
- **Resignation of VP Nina Ridgeway & Appointment of New VP** - Nina's daughter Laura is not doing well, and Nina really needs to spend all her available time with her. Nina has done an amazing job as our Vice President, and her shoes will be hard to fill, everyone please think about filling her vacancy, if no one steps up to fill in, Barbara will appoint someone. Please continue to pray for Laura and Nina and their family through this emotional and trying time.
- **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: (Beverly Boyce will Sponsor)** – Call up to front, introduce them and present buttons and membership cards.

Louise Albury

**Introduction of New Members at Today's Meeting: (Beverly Boyce Sponsor)** – Ask them to stand.

Mary Gregory, she belonged to Pine Tree Guild in Maine. She married her High School sweetheart 50 years later, welcome Mary!!

**Introduction of Guests at Today's Meeting: (Beverly Boyce Sponsor)** – Ask them to stand.

Rachel – Sharon's daughter  
Dee – Peggy's friend from Tampa  
Louise Albury – is back, welcome back!

## Approval of Minutes of Last General Membership Meeting

Judy George Made motion to approve, Marion Weeden seconded the motion.

### Reports of Officers and Standing Committees:

- **President's Report** – Barbara Ogden (Nina Ridgeway) as reported before
  - **Sick Call.**
    - **Jeanette Maiorano's** husband **Tom** passed away suddenly a few weeks ago. Please keep Jeanette in your thoughts and prayers. What a shock to lose your spouse of so many years. Barbara and Terry represented the Guild at the funeral. Jeanette celebrated her husband's life. Clapping and laughter were heard as everyone joined Jeanette at the wake. They were married 51 ½ years.
    - **Laura Ridgeway** – As you can see Nina is not here today. She has been such a valuable asset to us with her work as VP and the Block of the Month. Nina has resigned her position as VP so she can better care for her daughter **Laura** who has begun chemo therapy for her cancer. Needless to say they both have a rough road ahead of them and I ask that you keep both of them in your prayers.
    - **Judy George's sister Margaret** also has advanced cancer and she desperately needs our prayers as well. She is having more tests today.
    - **Pastor Drankwalter, Paula's husband**, is recovering nicely from the health problems that he has been going through. Let's keep praying for his total recovery. He is seeing a specialist in Tampa.
    - 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.
  - And now let's welcome back our friend **Peggy Macedo**. It's so good to see your smiling face again, Peggy.
  - **Belinda Boncaro**, our secretary, is still on her extended vacation, and **April Jones** is doing a fantastic job at filling her shoes while she's gone. April, we thank you so much for all your effort.
  - **Barbara Simmons** called me the other day wondering if we were still considering teaching the younger generation to quilt. She offered the guild a free sewing machine in good working order for the kids to learn on. And she's throwing in several pounds of coffee too - to keep us awake while we're sewing not doubt. Thank you, Barbara, for your thoughtfulness. That was so sweet of you. Barbara has vertigo, Doris Trudeau is filling in for her, thank you for helping us with BOM.

- **Marion Weeden** is in charge of our Fashion Show on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Marion will tell us about the show later.
- It's people like those I've just mentioned that make this guild so great. And it makes this job such a fun job. I want to personally thank all of you for making us what we are.
- **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. Paula Doyle has been hosting a radio programs, she is very busy currently. If England doesn't come through maybe a swap between us.
- Do we have any new history blocks today? Not today
- **Parliamentarian** - Marion Weeden – appointment of Vice President
- **Webmaster** – Terry Ogden – N/A
- **Newsletter** – Terry Ogden – N/A
- **Vice President's Report** – Barbara Ogden – need replacement (volunteer or appoint)
  - **Quilting Academy** – Barbara Ogden
    - **Paula Buth** – Block of the Month (Paula Buth not here) Comment about Paula Buth. Paula doesn't hear and I's affecting her being in a large group, so she won't be at the meetings, but she will still be in charge of the BOM.
    - **Judy George** will be hosting an "Ornament" class on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Spring Hill Branch Library from 1 to 4. No sewing, everything is pinned, cost is \$8.00
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  - **Programs** – Paula Drankwalter – September 26<sup>th</sup> Country Bears and Quilts, 20% there, and Rainbows End, and 10% and a goody bag and lunch at the Lucky Dill. Leaving Towne Square Mall at 9am
  - **November** - USF Botanical Gardens Quilt Show
  - **Special Events** – Judy George
    - Christmas Party in December at Country Kitchen in Brooksville
    - December 15<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm Country Kitchen buffet dinner
    - Report on Raffle Quilt – finish sewing, The Quilt is done, it was so much fun doing, now it is off to the Quilters. We would like to see 2-3 thousand tickets sold \$1.00 piece or 6 for \$5.00
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  - **Refreshments** – Marion Dorman – thanked everyone for the food today, Desserts are behind the screen. Thanks to Marion D, Judy G, and Marion W, we need everyone to help clean up after.

- **Secretary's Report** – April Jones N/A
  - **Librarian** – Debbie Orndorff N/A
  - **Membership** – Thea Conley 24 members 3 guests
- **Treasurer's Report** – Sandy Godsy \$1410.17
  - **Treasurer's Financial Report** – Sandy Godsy
 

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  - **Charity and Outreach** – Sandy Godsy – Report on status of charity quilts and other projects. Jennifer Baker donated material to us. 10 quilt tops turned in. When quilts tops are turned in we will schedule a batting and sewing day. Barbara will help quilt, we will need help with this.
  - **Ways and Means** - Adele Maier –
    - Theme of Fat Quarters for October is "Turkey" and colors are earth colors
    - Theme of Challenge Quilt Contest for October is "A Salute to Veterans" to celebrate our veterans on Veterans' Day.
    - Ask members for fabric they no longer want or need to be used for our charity quilts.

**Reports of Special Committees:** - None.

### **Special Announcements and Programs**

- **Quilt Party** postponed until I find someone to make a large picture. Enlarge a flower to 3 X 3 ft the software isn't working, Barbara is working on it, Office Depot may be able to do it.
- **Marion Weeden and Fashion Show** - October 15<sup>th</sup> 12 noon, models arrive 2 hours before, to dress, shoes and a smile. All clothing is available, cash, check, credit card. Small to XL, average to petite lengths. Merchandise may be returned within 30 days. Raise money for the guild 10% of total sales. Denise Kelly the owner of the Boutique has donated over \$850,000 to charity. She has pocketbooks, jewelry, accessories, if she has to ship something, no charge for shipping. We will have a sandwich lunch first then fashion show. Tickets are \$10.00 no refunds, we would prefer to sell in advance, so we know how much food to order, tickets on sale next meeting. Subway sandwiches, chips, pretzels, pickles, desserts, drinks. ASG, FSS, will also be invited. This is a money maker for us.
- **OK, who's not wearing a name tag today? 50 cents, please**
  - Beverly Boyce

**Open Forum** – No one wished to speak.

### **Unfinished Business**

- None

### **New Business**

- Ray Gregory sent Barbara an email that he has a couple of sewing machines for sale: Serger \$300.00 and a Singer Featherweight \$300.00 1935 all accessories see Barbara
- Quilts of Valor – We recently presented our own “Quilt of Valor” to Howie Travis who runs a shop in the Towne Square Mall for his nephew Eddie (EJ) Neuburn, who is stationed at Eglin AFB in Florida’s panhandle for his use in Afghanistan. Pictures of the presentation are on the first page of the website.

There is an organization called “Quilts of Valor Foundation” and the Board thought it would be a worthy cause for us to become a member of and contribute to possibly as our charity for next year. They have a website ([www.qovf.org](http://www.qovf.org)) that will tell you more about them and what they do. Basically their goal is to provide a quilt to every military member who comes home from serving there. These men and women provide an indescribably valuable service to our country and to your and my safety and well-being and this seems like the very least we can do for them.

I would like to hear your thoughts about this idea.  
We will present this idea at a later time

### **Program**

Barbara showed us how to tell how much fabric we have and how to fold it. 1 Yard fabric, 1 fold upfront, every yard fold same way, and what width, ½ yard the same way. You decide how wide the fold has to be. IE: 1 yard 8 inches, ½ yard 6 inches, fat quarter 5 inches. Wrap your fabric around a ruler, 1 fold up front.

**Other Activities:**

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- **Show and Tell Time** (Thea Conley) – List of items to President
  - Marion Dorman – Oriental Poppies
  - Marion Weeden – Pot holder, Pillowcase dress
  - Thea Conley – Green Flowers
  - Barbara Ogden – Table runner
  - Judy George – used BOM Boats for Grandson
  - Jan – Spice Cake
  - Paula Drankwalter – caddy for rulers
  - Rose D’Amato – bed runners
  
- **New Members** (Thea Conley) Dues paid \$20.00
  
- **Door Prize Raffle** (Adele Maier) -
  - Amount taken in: \$27.00
  
  - Winner:      Louise
  
- **50/50 Raffle** (Jan Radziejewski) -
  - Amount taken in: \$75.00
  
  - Winner:      Barbara
  
- **Fat Quarter Raffle** (Adele Maier/Jan Radziejewski) -
  - Number taken in:      14
  
  - Winner(s):      Thea Conley
  
- **Block of the Month Raffle** (Paula Buth/Barbara Simmons) -
  - Number Sold :      26
  
  - Amount Taken In: \$26.00
  
  - Winner(s):      Sandy Gody and Lynn Squire
  
- **Fat Quarter Sales** (Adele Maier) -
  - Amount Taken In: \$8.00
  
- **Magazine Sales** (Doris Trudeau) -
  - Amount Taken In: \$6.50
  
- **Other Sales** –
  - Amount Taken In: \$
  
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- **Donations for Food Pantry** (Adele Maier) –

<p><b>Initials:</b></p> <p><b>Sandy</b> _____</p> <p><b>Adele</b> _____</p> <p><b>Terry</b> _____</p>
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- In kind donations: \_\_\_\_\_
- Dollar donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Call for Adjournment:** 1210pm

**Potluck Luncheon**