Missoula Quilters' Guild Meeting Minutes 03/08/2023

Vice-President Jewell Kodilla called the meeting to order. We welcomed 4 visitors.

Treasurer Shirley Frank gave an update on our new members and offered hard copies of the membership list for those who do not have the ability to access online. Shirley read a few vignettes from *Quilting With Aliens* and then Lisa Kay did a few door prize drawings to get things rolling.

Shannon Fradette reminded people of the Ruler Challenge Quilt due in May. You work with a ruler you've never used before, and it must include the 2022 Pantone Color of the Year, Very Peri. It is supposed to be lap-sized.

Nancy Terwilliger-Grube gave an update on the UFO challenge. There is more interest in UFO's since Meredith swept the categories recently.

ETC CLASSES AND HAPPENINGS:

Marilyn Likes has a great quilted jacket class scheduled for Saturday, March 11 at Vicky's Down Under. She has room for a few more people.

Krista Moser will be here in April for a class. Details are on the website. Her trunk show will be our April program.

Francine Miller was able to schedule a class from Robin Ruth for us that will be taking place on July 12th at A Clean Stitch. Robin Ruth limits participation to 18 people. This workshop will not be paid via our website, but rather on Robin Ruth's website. She is doing this for us as her originally scheduled workshop was cancelled by COVID.

Here's your chance to use those rulers you bought previously.

QUILT SHOW:

Marcene Coburn reported on our 2024 *Eclipse* Quilt Show, which will take place on April 26 and 27 at the fairgrounds. Sue Olinger will no longer serve as co-chair due to prior commitments. Peggy Floyd has agreed to help Susan Appelt and Marcene with her many prior years experience with previous quilt shows.

The show categories are posted on the guild website, on the Facebook group, and have been emailed to all members.

Positions filled most recently are:

Work Crew Committee Chair Set Up and Takedown Pickup and Delivery (quilt racks)

The best news of the entire evening was that the positions they still needed for the show are filled. Helping Julie Starr and her husband with the pickup and delivery and setting up the racks were all filled. Many thanks to Ramona Montez, Pam Schultze and Janet Gustufson, respectively. The first meeting of the committee chairs is happening in May. The quilt show categories are up on the website....2024 will be here before you knowit.

Stephanie Minnick will be in charge of the raffle baskets. There will be a basket of one-yard cuts of batiks, and one basket of neutrals-Creams to Cardboards. Kathy Klinge graciously donated two baskets that we will reuse every two years for the raffle baskets.

Kathy Klinge came up to remind everyone that Stitchers in the Dark will meet next week at Atonement Lutheran Church on Thursday the 16th of March from 6:00-8:45 Bring your favorite potluck dish and a few dollars as a thanks offering to the church for allowing us to use their space.

Chris Stobb reported on Comfort Quilts, she needs help from any Long-armers out there to assist with quilting.

Em Dix reported that Quilts for Kids has given out 86 quilts so far just this month.

Joyce Auer and Margaret Bachmeier are sitting pretty with pillows for Camp Make-A-Dream.

Meredith Hoisted, Sunshine Lady and Sew Day organizer extraordinaire, also mentioned sew day is this Saturday. March 18. Please contact Meredith if you know of any guild members who are ill or in the hospital or have suffered a loss. She will get a card off to them on behalf of the whole guild.

Next was the Break...THE RUMMAGE SALE! Sales were brisk, bargains were found, merchandise was purchased and the total sales came to \$446 which will be divided among our service groups. They will each get \$148.70 and we also sold 47 of the new Missoula Quilt Guild pins for an additional \$235 to go into our fundraising account.

After we shopped at break, Lisa Kay awarded more door prizes. Thanks again to all the generous donations of wonderful prizes this year.

Shirley Frank gave the treasurer's report, which is available on our website Members Only page. Any paid member unable to access the website, please alert Tava for help.

Jewell announced that Krista Moser's trunk show will be the April program.

Rose reported that the nominating committee, Audrey Nichols and Karen Hunt ,are in the process of looking for people to fill the positions of President and Secretary. Please think about taking on these responsibilities.

Tava is stepping down as Librarian. Louise Rhodes and Vickie Christie will be taking over the reins.

We then had some pretty fabulous show and tell to inspire us all and then more Rummage sale shopping at 50% off! Thanks everyone for the quick clean up!!

Meeting adjourned!

Notes by Rose Rademan, Secretary