

MQG - January 2023 Minutes

We had quite a full house this month! I guess there was plenty of excitement to do a little shopping at 4 quilt shops in one spot tonight. Great Idea, Jewell. Let's Go Shopping!

New members were welcomed, thank you cards were read. The cards from Veterans and people receiving chemo who have rec'd quilts are really quite moving. All our service organizations do such valuable work. Quilts of Valor has found a place where they can meet and work this magic. Atonement Lutheran Church has offered them a space to store their supplies and to sew. They meet every Monday from 10-2 except for National holidays. The address is 2205 34th St.

Pat Andrews gave a review of Emily Taylor's Collage Quilts book. She brought 2 amazing samples. This book is in our extensive library! Go check out the library and check out some books!

Joni Stormo showed up with a big wagon to collect some Quilts for Ukraine. She didn't make it halfway into the church before she was overwhelmed with quilts. This has proved to be a wonderful idea and something everyone is behind. She has found another organization close by in Idaho to help ship these quilts, "Wrap Ukraine with Quilts". People all over the world are showing their support and it is very gratifying to think that the quilts we tuck away in our closets and cabinets can help keep the people of Ukraine warm and alive during this horrible act of aggression against them from Russia.

We had so many door prizes! We canceled November's meeting due to weather and our stash of door prizes got snowed in in December! We handed out at least 15 door prizes, we probably could have done more but everyone wanted to get shopping so next month there will be a bounty of door prizes again!

Nancy Terwilliger Grube was excited to announce the participants and the winner of the most completed UFO's....Congratulations to Meredith Hoistad for winning a \$50 gift card for getting the most done-16 I believe? Nancy threw everyone's name in a bag for every UFO they completed for a bonus drawing as well. Unexpected for the participants and guess who won? Miss Meredith again! But her name went in 16 times!

ETC had some exciting news. Krista Moser will be coming with a trunk show on April 12th at our guild meeting with a class to follow the next day at Revive church. There is room for 30 people in the class. She uses a 60 degree ruler and the quilt is called Champagne and Pearls. Fran McDermott is going to teach a class on Shibori dyeing at her home in Feb. Her samples are stunning! All info for these classes is on our extensive and fact-filled website! Get on there and look around!

Stitchers in the Dark is going to have its annual meeting and first potluck on years on March 16th, a Thursday, at Atonement Lutheran Church. It will be a great time for sure! I want to go but I'm afraid of getting sucked back into the group!

We had a quick Show and Tell which started with Vida's special guest Tracy Thompson from Virginia. She was here to join Vida in their final journey to Somers for their final week of sewing before becoming certified instructors for Judy Niemeyer Quilts. An unbelievable amount of work and dedication by anyone who goes down that road...she showed several of the quilts she's made, they were all beautiful. We had more great show and tell from our members and then we all went shopping!

Many thanks to the Quilt shops that made the evening memorable-Mountain Thistle Quilts, Aunt B's Quilts from Potomac, A Clean Stitch and Confident Stitch for coming.

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