

Minutes of the Missoula Quilters' Guild Meeting

February 14, 2024

The meeting was called to order by guild president **Joni Stormo** at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by guild secretary **Lisa-kay Prideaux**.

Guests were recognized and thanked for attending, new members were recognized and welcomed.

The minutes from the January 10, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted.

Secretary's Report

Lisa-kay read two thank you cards from a child recipient at St. Patrick's Hospital and a recipient of a Quilt of Valor for donated quilts.

Treasurer's Report

Guild Treasurer **Shirley Frank** reviewed the January 2023 financial report. It will be posted on the guild website, and some reports were printed for members to take at the meeting. They will no longer be printed for meetings unless requested.

Announcements

Peggy Floyd spoke about the upcoming Missoula Quilters retreat at Glacier Camp on Flathead Lake. The dates are March 20-24th. If you stay 4 nights the cost is \$300, if you stay 3 nights the cost is \$245. Dinner will be served Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, breakfast is served on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Lodge sleeps 3 to a room and each room has a private bath and shower. The deadline to register is March 6th. Registration forms can be found on the website under Get Involved, then drop down to Retreats, click on Form to Download. Forms are also featured to download from the Guild Group Facebook page, and the ATRTI ("Little Guild") Facebook page.

Nominating Committee Update – Rose Rademan

- **Cathy Stanke** has been nominated for Fundraising Chair.
- **Cindy Thiel** has been nominated for Treasurer.
- **Jodi Bowser** has been nominated for Vice President.
- **Vida** has stepped down as Publicity Chair, so we now need to fill this position. This is an interim position; the Publicity Chair only has to serve for a little over a year. According to the bylaws, the President may appoint a person to fill this position, since this is a mid-term vacancy. We would like to have it filled soon to consistently have 7 members on the executive board. If you are interested, please call Rose Rademan at 406-241-3963 or Joni Stormo at 406-546-2375.
- THE SLATE OF NEW OFFICERS WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE MARCH MEETING WITH ELECTIONS IN MAY.

Program

Sue Dale gave a wonderful program about the "I Found a Quilted Heart" project started by three sisters in 2014. She had examples of quilted hearts that she passed out to members as well as on a PowerPoint overhead projection. She read meaningful testaments about how finding a quilted heart had touched people's lives. In addition, Sue and the ETC committee had made quilted hearts for each person at the meeting to take home!

Quilt Show updates – Peggy Floyd, Susan Appelt and Marcene Coburn

- There were still volunteers needed for many jobs on Thursday, Friday and Saturday – people were encouraged to sign up at the break.

- **Debbie Gross** is in charge of the Boutique and is requesting items be donated.
 - Do not bring items that will compete with the vendors.
 - Price all items before drop-off in \$0.50 increments.
 - Drop off on Thursday the 25th.
 - Pick up any items that were not sold on the 27th from 4-7pm.
 - The Guild keeps a minimum of 10%; you can donate a higher % if you would like.
 - The Guild has the right to refuse any items.
 - Seller ID #/tags will be given in March.

- **Stephanie Minnick** spoke about the show raffles.
 - The Quilt Retreat at Robin's Rest**
 - Tickets for the retreat are for MEMBERS ONLY.
 - The retreat center is at Robin's Rest in Deer Lodge (up to 12 people).
 - 4 nights (Wednesday-Sunday). 1 night donated by Robin's Rest; 3 nights paid for by the guild.
 - Tickets are \$10 each.
 - This is a wonderful deal! It's a chance for you and 11 friends to go on a 4-night retreat for FREE!
 - Tickets will be available at the March and April guild meetings.

Other raffle: FIVE options for everyone, member or not! At \$1.00 per ticket or get six for \$5.00:

1. A Bernina 325 Sewing Machine, donated by **A Clean Stitch**.
2. A Laurastar Ironing System, donated by **A Clean Stitch**.
3. A Brother sewing machine, donated by **Make It Sew**.
4. A fabric basket of 1-yard cuts of Batiks, donated by guild members.
5. A fabric basket of 1-yard cuts of Cream to Cardboard blenders, donated by guild members.

- **Heidi Bakula and Kathy Klinge** are overseeing the **Silent Auction**.
 - Items do not need to be quilt related but do need to be in good condition. Things that sell well include antiques, artwork, pottery, woodworking items, etc.
 - All proceeds go directly to the Guild.
- **Quilt entries for the Show**
 - Approximately 300 quilts are currently registered.
 - Those members who would like to do so may register ONE more quilt.
 - Completed registration forms must be dropped off at Vicki's Quilts Down Under, or given to a show chair by **February 24th at Noon**.
- The show chairs need approximately 50 quilts or quilt tops (not show quilts) to put on the backs of the upper banisters in the Fairgrounds Building. This will look nicer when people look up at the second floor.

There will be NO Birthday Bundles or Fat Quarter basket next month because of the P.I.G.S. auction.

P.I.G.S Auction:

Peggy Floyd has again agreed to emcee this fun event at our meeting on March 13th. Bring your UFO, project, kit, or whatever you would like to auction off in a bag. On the outside of the bag write the starting bid for your project. Then, write a poem, ditty or something that describes what's inside – without actually telling what's inside! Bring cash or your checkbook and be prepared for lots of laughs!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

