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MAY 2014

Guild Program for May 27, 2014



Susan Cleveland
My Eclectic Quilt Pageant

Susan Cleveland, one of the quilt world's most enthusiastic personality will not only provide a good deal of laughter, but also a plethora of tips to increase accuracy and add fresh, interesting details with piping, prairie points, heavy threads, and embellishments. See how to take show pieces to new levels and add charming effects to simple pieces.

Susan will share her "real live quilts" with close ups through the projector so you're sure to see oodles of detail. You may recognize many quilts as winners in AQS Paducah shows and International Quilt Festivals in Houston!



MEETING MINUTES



22 April 2014

Judy Humphrey, President, called the meeting to order at 7PM.

Vice President Linda Waugh introduced Shirley Handling who presented April's Quilter's Minute.

Our speaker, Ginger Carter, presented her talk "Ethnic Textiles and Why I Collect Them." She is a world traveler and has studied fabrics and cultures in each of her destinations.

Tracy Back announced the 2014 Guild Challenge. Please see Tracy or Marsha Bray to pick up your fabric.

A short break followed Ginger's presentation.

Judy reconvened the meeting at 8:10PM.

Committee Reports

Nancy Sinise, 2014 Quilt Show Chairman, presented the cash awards for Viewers' Choice winners. She also presented "Thank You" gifts to chairwomen that were not present last month.

Chris Wiley, Treasurer, reported that the quilt show finished with a profit.

Candy Grisham gave a report on the show's Charity Action that benefitted Honor Flight. The auction's proceeds will provide three veterans the opportunity to travel to Washington D.C. with Honor Flight.

Debbie Ernst presented the 2014 Raffle Quilt to Kathy Kauffman from Iowa.

Judy Humphrey called for volunteers to make the 2016 Raffle Quilt.

There were 76 members and guests in attendance. Two gift certificates were awarded as attendance prizes, they were gift certificates to Jackman's Fabric.

Wendy Richards reported on the upcoming Susan Cleveland workshops. She may need someone to pick up Susan from the airport.

Susan Calzone reported that the June retreat at Todd Hall is completely full.

UFO's no report.

Chris Williams, COK, reported there was a gift of 30-40 yards of wonderful fabric and more, and there will be more to come.

Sew Day May 3rd at Colbert Associates in West Port Plaza, watch for an email with directions.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38PM.

Show and Tell followed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Sagan

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring has finally come to our area. The greens of the grass and new leaves, the yellows of jonquils, the purples of lilacs, and the varied colors of wildflowers. Can't you just picture them in a quilt! Maybe you have thought of a Spring quilt, we have Christmas quilts, why not. It is a busy time of the year with trying to wake up our lawns and gardens. I find I have less time to piece and quilt.

Time is getting close to our next workshop with Susan Cleveland. Our group has a great opportunity to take classes from nationally known teachers. Here is your opportunity. I believe we still have a few spots open. If you are interested call Wendy Richards.

Retreat is just around the corner next month and with new chairmen there just might be some exciting changes.

The challenge fabric was passed out by Tracy Back at the last meeting. Children's fabric to make a child's quilt and then be turned in for COK. Everyone really liked this idea last year, so we just have different fabric and more of it. So put on your thinking caps and design that quilt.

Judy Humphrey President



COMMITTEE REPORTS



COK and More: Chris Williams

- Sew Day on May 3rd was attended by 8 generous members.
 Again, we had a good time and learned a thing or two from each other.
- The baggie blocks for the April meeting were provided by Bernice Dodge. There are still some remaining to be sewn and they will be available at the May meeting.
- Six quilt tops were taken for quilting and several kits were checked out.
- Sew Day will be taking a summer vacation and will not resume until August. In the meantime, you have time to finish your COK quilts in progress.
- Our thanks to Tracy Back and Marsha Bray for organizing the COK challenge again this year. We look forward to having many beautiful quilts donated in November.
- Looking forward to a busy productive summer!

Library: Phyllis Nelson

No updates at this time.

Membership: Lisa Marsden

- The annual fee this year is \$25. Guests are always welcome at the meeting for \$2.00 (\$5.00 when there is a national speaker).
 Encourage your friends to join us!
- We would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to Amy Jackman-Green for a Jackman's gift certificate for our attendance prizes!!
- Remember to wear your badge. We have stick-on name tags at the membership table or you can order the engraved badges.
 These are \$10 and can be ordered in magnetic or pin backed styles. Remember the magnetic badges should not be worn with a pacemaker!
- We had 76 people in attendance at the April meeting.
- Three new members joined us -- Becky Miller, Gail MacCartney, and Joan Marshall . Welcome to all and we hope you enjoyed the meeting!
- To date, we have 156 members that have paid their 2014 Membership dues.

Media Resources: Cindy Holten/Darla Gibson/Marsha Bray

Our guild uses many forms of social media in order to provide you with the most updated information about our guild. Cindy Holten is our newsletter editor, Darla Gibson manages our Facebook page and Yahoo Group, and Marsha Bray is our Website master. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding one of these media resources, please contact the respective individual for assistance.

Programs for 2014 Guild Meetings: Linda Waugh

MAY 27—Quilter's Minute: Phyllis Nelson
 Program: Susan Cleveland, My Eclectic Quilt Pageant. Please see website for details on Susan's workshops.

JUN 24—Quilter's Minute: Susan Myrick
 Program: Getting to Know You and Don't Forget Your Show and Tell.

JUL 22—Quilter's Minute: Barb Warner
 Program: Velora Mowry, What Judges Look for in a Quilt.

AUG 26—Quilter's Minute: Kathy Cavaness

Program: A Round Robin of Techniques and Tips by Members

• SEP 23—Quilter's Minute: Ivy Osborn

Program: Let's Talk About Machine Quilting by Members

OCT 28—Quilter's Minute: Fran Collins

Program: Finding Your Quilt Voice by Marilyn Fallert, Carol Lovelace, and Mary Lou Melkowski

• NOV 25—Quilter's Minute: Cindy Neville

Program: Guild Challenge by Tracy Back and Cover Our Kids and More by Chris Williams

- <u>DEC 09</u>—*Program:* Guild Holiday Party
- A very special thanks to Jane Coons and Wendy Richards for their technological and creative touch for Ginger Carter's April program.
- Kudos to those members who have so graciously volunteered to do
 the Quilter's Minute. Many members have commented on how
 much they enjoy this part of the program. There are still a few
 spots left so give me a call or email me if you are interested in participating in the Quilter's Minute.
- A few of you have asked about a Garage Sale and we are planning to have one in 2015 along with some other fun programs.

Retreats at Toddhall: Susan Calzone

The following is the 2014 Toddhall retreat schedule:

• JUN 3-8 - (Blackburn Hall)

Sunshine & Shadow: Peggy Knight

Please call Peggy Knight at 636-227-8211 to let her know to send a card to a guild member in need of encouragement and support.

Treasurer's Report: Chris Wiley

- The **Treasurer's Report** can be found in our Yahoo Group.
- Reimbursement / Income Form—has all the information needed
 to submit to the Treasurer. It can be found on the Guild website
 (bitsnpiecesguild.com) under the "Guild Forms and Flyers" tab, as
 well as under the Quilt Show tab. You can also get a hardcopy
 from Chris Wiley at the Guild meeting or contact her (M-F) at
 wileyce@kiww.com.

Workshops by National Speakers: Wendy Richards

- May 28 & 29—Susan Cleveland will hold three Workshops:
 Marvelous Miters, Precision and Panache, Piping Hot Bindings.
- For details of each workshop schedule and supply list, go to
 our website.
- If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Richards at whoob@aol.com or by phone 636-394-9250.

Workshops by Members: Nellie Mueller

- Details of future workshops will be announced at the guild meetings, the newsletter, website, and the Yahoo group.
- If you have any questions or are interested in holding a workshop, please call Nellie Mueller 636-257-3716.

UFOs: Mary Lou Melkowski

• No updates at this time.



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Friday & Saturday 10-4:30; Sunday 12-4:00

Find our newsletter on our web page: www.quiltedfox.com

Please contact the Mini Group's Coordinator for schedules, meeting times locations, and all other questions. The schedules for each of the mini groups can also be found on our website.

A-TEAM

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9:30a.m.

Contact: Debbie Ernst – 636 537 9030

ART BITS

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the mo from 2-4 pm

Contact: Wendy Richards 636 394 9250

NIGHTTIME NEEDLERS

Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm

Contact: Anne Perry - 314-922-5965

PIECES OF FRIENDSHIP

Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Contact: Nancy Muskopf – 636 458 0360

SCRAPS

Meets the 2nd Monday of the mo. from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Contact: Ivy Osborn - 636-284 7660



Bernice Dodge
Bonnie Brown
Candy Grisham
Carol Spindler
Deborah Ernst
Eliane Ezra
Kay Erb
Kristina Perez
Melva Smith
Merrily Woodford
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