

Susan Secretan, President, welcomed everyone to the June 25, 2024 Guild meeting. We acknowledge we are meeting on traditional Blackfoot Treaty 7 Territory and Metis Nation Region 3.

Guests:

- Shanna Olds – been before and Donna is going to strong arm her to become a member.
- Cheryl's guest of honor for the program and will be introduced during the program.

Reminders

- Sale table, no orphan blocks.
- Presenters have brought some items that are free for the taking.
- Memberships are due and if not paid by September, then there will be no reminders sent.
- Sue Nagy has the bid sheet for the Camera equipment that is for sale. Please refer to the minutes.

Correspondence

- Quilt show September 20-25 in Kalispel, Montana. Watch for more information in the Quilty News.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – FROM THE MINUTES

- **Community Quilt Supply** (Lynn Gibson)
 - We have used the final 96" roll of batting and will start cutting the 120" roll donated by one of our members. This means the batts will be 50 x 60" or 70 x 60".
 - Also, when choosing a batt, it does not have to be the same size as your backing for long arming. It only needs to be slightly larger than the quilt top.
 - Thank you to members that have been donating fabric to be used as backing. If you're interested in donating a two metre or larger piece is best.
- **Community Service** (Maui Wills)
 - Marion Jankunis collected May's donation at the May meeting (because of my absence). Thank you Marion, also thank you to ladies of the guild for their generous donations.

5 pillowcases
12 quilts

Five quilts were donated (in need) to ailing community members.

Through the years the pillowcases have been going to the hospital. They are looking for more quilts that are child size (not infant)

You can request where you would like your donated quilts to go. However, we are still getting quilts coming in stipulating to the Ukrainian refugees. No more quilts are going

to the Ukraine refugees as the refugee drive was over in March. Please keep this in mind when handing in quilts.

- **Festival of Quilts 2023** – no report

- **Membership** (Kay Henke) –
 - There were no new members at the last meeting. We have 84% paid memberships. Unpaid members are marked in yellow on the list for next week so we can remind them if they are at the meeting.
 - We did have a record 72 members out to the last meeting though.
 - After September there will be no reminders for unpaid membership fees.

- **Retreats & Workshops** (Sharon Anholt)
 - October 25 – 27 – Stay at home retreat at Casa. Sew and stay and there will be mini workshops. Updates will follow
 - Pincher Creek Retreat is in the planning sometime probably in the spring.
 - Leslie Whitnack has a pressing sheet that was left at the CASA retreat on May 25th. Contact her if you are missing one.

- **Special Events** (Kathy Oliver)

Will be meeting in August to finalize the Christmas Social at Paradise Canyon. The executive discussed entertainment ideas for the party.

- **Webmaster/Photography** (Sue Nagy)

- At the end of this meeting a member bid on the hand-held video camera and paid cash and carried it home. The SONY digital camera is still available for minimum bid of \$70.00.

- **Program** (Cherilyn Jorgenson, Pat Phillips and Helen Raczuk)

- Pat explained what we will be doing for our September Program. We will be playing Strip Poker using jelly roll strips. Each member will bring some jelly roll strips – 2.5” x 44”. It’s up to you how many you bring, or how long you want to stay in the game. It’s just like Poker, some will win some will lose. Thinking of Fall colors but if you don’t have fall colors, bring what you have. If you don’t have 44” you could sew strips to make them that long. After strip poker, Lia will show us how to do a Jelly Roll Strip quilt.

- We had two parts to the program. Lia Britton will share a presentation on her Missouri Star Quilt Tour. Sue and Lia spent lots of time on this presentation. Stitch it Forward will then make a presentation

- Lia Britton – Missouri Star Quilt Tour PowerPoint
 - Lia presented a PowerPoint from her trip to Hamilton, Missouri last year. It was a bus trip that started in Brooks and ended up in St. Joseph's, Missouri where they stayed for a couple of nights. From there they were able to go to Hamilton (also know as Quilt Town or Disneyland for Quilters).
 - On their way back they stopped at an Amish community in James Port.
 - They went to 12 shops in Hamilton, approximately 19 quilt stores in all.
 - They also visited the University of Nebraska's International Quilt Museum. There were many wonderful displays. They put up displays for three months and then change them out. There are four different displays throughout the year. Their purpose is to Collect, Preserve, Study and Exhibit quilts.

- Pat – Member Quilt Guild Survey
 - Pat reminded everyone about the Survey and asked if anyone that has completed the survey, and brought it, they could put in the bins at the back. There are extra forms at the back if you didn't get one or didn't bring one. These could be completed during the break – it is very helpful when planning future programs.

- Diane Herrick – Stitch It Forward of Lethbridge
 - Diane brought her daughter Cora and her grandson Gage to present information about the Stitch it Forward of Lethbridge.
 - Gage (7 years old) told the story about the start of Stitch it Forward. When he was 2 years old his grandpa had a heart attack. He went in a helicopter to Calgary and one of the volunteers gave him a heart shaped pillow to hold on to. It helped him feel better. His mom (Cora) and grandma (Diane) started sewing more heart pillows to give to the hospital. Cora's friends wanted to sew more pillows. It was decided to make a Charity to make things for people. Gage helped by stuffing pillows, stuffing stockings and carry things to the Van. He said he was happy he as learned to help people and to be a volunteer. If you want to volunteer, then go to the Stitch it Forward Facebook page.
 - Cora explained that they are volunteers and mostly run off of Facebook and email. They left business cards for information. They post a project on Facebook stating that they need projects completed and ask for volunteers. Both Cora and Diane have bins on their porches that have materials for the projects needed and people can come and pick up the kits, complete them and then return them to the bins. They do have occasional sewing days. In March they sewed 500 heart pillows and delivered them to the Calgary Foothills Hospital. They have completed lap quilt days and donated them to senior facilities. They sew little pockets that are donated to schools to fill with

feminine products for the girls at the schools. She stated there is a google doc on the Facebook page, if you are interested in volunteering.

- Diane stated that if an organization needs volunteers, for example, if there was a need for pillowcases, the organization can go on the Facebook page and fill out the form. Stitch it Forward will then try and find volunteers to complete the projects. They have to be knitted, crocheted, sewed or quilted. We have a lot of volunteers that do all of those, then there are some that only do one. There are many volunteers but are looking for more. Diane has a C-Can in her backyard and people give donations and it is kept there and if other organizations are in need of supplies, then Stitch it Forward could donate. They have participated in Angel Tree. Another project was Lethbridge Family Services contacted Stitch it Forward and said they were buying 19" dolls to give out at Christmas but needed clothes for the dolls. That was another project they did. She also shared that Blankets for Canada were out of quilts, so Diane offered to make 200 quilts in three months – they ended up making 745 blankets in four months.
- Cherilyn asked for a volunteer to assemble a quilt with some blocks that were donated - Lynn Gibson volunteered.

- **Prize Draws**

- Door Prize – Book donated by Fabric Fusion – winner: Sherry Timm
- Prize – Twisted Holiday Kit – winner: Darlene Paterson
- Prize – Red/White Pillow Kit – winner: Michele Demers
- Prize - \$25 Gift Certificate for Fabric Fusion – Winner: Anne Whiteside
- Prize – Batik fat quarter bundle – winner: Pat Panchmatia

- **Show & Share**

- Maui encouraged us to go to the Helen Schuler center and see the Textile Surfaces Design Guild exhibit.
- Anne Whiteside showed lap quilts from panels she has made for her family reunion. She has made 27 in total. They included a Teacher theme, Waterlilies, Farmer in Training and Pickle jars.
- Janet Alexander showed a quilt she had made from leftovers of a previous quilt she had brought to show. Then she showed us a smaller quilt she had made from the leftover flippy corners from the first quilt shown tonight.
- Barb Graham – made a beautiful quilt out of Batiks for her Sister-in-laws 80th Birthday
- Pat Panchmatia – Showed her Pinwheel Quilt that she found in a box from 19 years ago. The Pinwheels are all hand sewn. She also showed a Community Quilt from Doreen Little.
- Brittany Wilton – Showed her Star quilt – and she is hooked on star quilts now.
- Willie Schaupmeyer– Showed her green quilt and a scrappy one made from batik strips and half square triangles.

- **Next Meetings:**

Sept. 18, 2024 Exec. Comm Meeting at Hurricane's Brd. Rm 1:30 meeting commences

Sept. 24, 2024 Guild Meeting at CASA 7:00 p.m. meeting commences

GUILD SURVEY 2024 – PLEASE PRINT AND RETURN COMPLETED TO QUILT GUILD MEETING JUNE 25, 2024

NAME: _____ (Optional)

1. What demonstrations would you like to see at guild in the upcoming year? Are there some table discussions you would like repeated or have as an ongoing project?
2. Do you have a suggestion for a guest speaker for a guild meeting?
3. Should we continue with the annual challenge?
4. Monthly exchanges or project wish list:
5. Do you like video presentations – learning new techniques and/or new quilting ideas?
6. Any workshops you would like to do this coming year?
7. Other suggestions for upcoming guild meeting presentations:
8. Is there a skill or anything that you would like one on one assistance with learning (mastering) or completing?
Name:
What can we help you with?

9. Do you have a skill you would be willing to share at a guild meeting?

Name:

Skill:

10. Do you have a specific skill, talent, specialty, etc. that you would be willing to share with another guild member?

Name:

Skill:

11. Do you have a specific skill, talent, specialty, etc that you would be willing to help another guild member?

Name:

Skill:

12. Would you like your name and/or business on a resource list available to all guild members?

Name:

Skill:

13. Would you allow your name/business information to be given out for inquiries on our Facebook page?

Name and or Business:

Skill:

Comments: