

NBQA Membership Meeting

January 18, 2020

Meeting called to order at: 6:37m

President Geri Bergreen: following the new format, Geri provided update information from the majority of officers and committees with directions to members to seek out officers and committee chairs if seeking additional details

Vice President Celia Schnacky: the raffle quilt is currently on display at Ryco. Additional tickets to be sold are available to members at the membership table.

Treasurer Sue Ellis: as of 12-31-19; Checking account balance is \$4704.46; Savings account balance is \$15,084.14. Motion was made to accept, was seconded and membership voted to accept

Secretary Nina Ashworth: minutes from the November meeting were posted on Website, were forwarded by email to membership and copies offered to those requesting them. Motion was made to accept, was seconded and membership voted to accept

Librarian Pat Stark: members encouraged to check out the available DVD's to check out; return those that are due and to pay fines as necessary for those overdue

Special Events Louise Pankiewicz: 2020 Schoolhouse Shop Hop bus trip is planned for Saturday, March 28, 2020. Bus will leave 7am from Route 117 Park and Ride, return approximately 8pm. Those participating will be visiting The Quilted Crow, Boxborough, MA; Cobblestone Quilts, Townsend, MA; Quilted Threads, Henniker, NH; and, Red Barn Sewing and Yarn Center, Merrimac, MA. Cost is \$57 (based on 40 riders and includes transportation, Driver tip, \$8 Passport. Visit www.schoolhouseshophop.com for further details. Make checks payable to NBQA and send to Louise Pankiewicz. (detailed information is in the Newsletter)

Newsletter Sally Cooper (Paula Weston): the January/February Newsletter has been forwarded to members; currently working on March/April edition

Membership Anne Sabatini: new member joined tonight; Elizabeth DiGregorio from Exeter. Reminded that members can bring a guest for \$5

Facebook: Billie Bunnewith has agreed to help; Chrissy Bonin and Geri continue as admins. Members encouraged to take pictures at guild events and pass them to one of the above for inclusion on Facebook page

Website Maria Knight, Patricia Andraka: no update

Education Committee Peggy Lane, Barbara Stetson: Peggy reported a successful workshop at Hope Alzheimer Center in 12-19 with 8 participants and 2 staff making banners. Plans are

being made for springtime conclusion of the banner project in May. Future plans and projects include Meeting Street School project in May with girls scouts working on dog beds. Looking for fabric donations for this project. Will be at Wickford Art Show again in July. Focusing now on exhibit for the quilt show.

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Comfort Quilts Brenda Starble, Linda Maslanka: next Quilt-A-Thon is scheduled for 2-8-20. There is a binder available with all of the thank you cards they have received for donated quilts. Drawing was held

New England Quilt Museum Karen Stanley: there are no more passes available. There still remains an option for a “quilt day” at the museum with free admission that is part of our membership; tell Geri if you want to help organize. Current shows at the Museum are **The Colorful World of Pat Delaney** (12/3/2019 – 2/13/2020) and **Salvaged: The Stitched Narratives of Jennifer Regan** (1/7/2020 – 4/4/2020)

Quilt Show Joan Potter: 2020 Vision Contest Rules – the theme for our quilt show is **Quilter’s Vision – 2020**. What does that name say to you? “20:20” is perfect vision in optometry. What is your vision for the future (for you, for our country, for our planet, etc.)? Are things coming into focus? What direction is quilting taking now, or in the future? Design a quilt based on our theme for the 2020 show. Entries are due at the Feb. 20, 2020 meeting. Sign up sheets are available tonight for member participation in quilt show; members who sign up for set up and take down are encouraged to bring friends to help. Flyers/bookmarks are available. Show applications are available for those who do not have access to a printer. Looking for people interested in doing demonstrations during the show; see Barbara Stetson. Applications for show entries are due at the February meeting and 2 good pictures are needed for each entry. If you are sending application forms by mail, forward to Marie Cobleigh by 2-20-20. To put an entry in the show, you must submit an application. Will start selling tickets next month; \$5 for members/\$7 for non-members/\$8 at the show. Judging will be March 28; quilts must be to Pat Harrison on March 26/27. Quilts or other small items are needed for auction fundraiser. Basket raffle items will be accepted up until March meeting. Need mug mats, see Mary Elizabeth. The April guild meeting will be held here at the church and there will be an announcement of Ribbon winners; the show is the following weekend.

Programs & Workshops Chrissy Bonin, Billie Bunnewith:

- January workshop; doors open at 8:30, bring a light, in case of bad weather, decision will be made by 7am
- February and March workshops were swapped
- February workshop will be Tina Craig, English Paper Piecing, there are a few openings
- March workshop will be Bille and Kassie; bring cupcakes to meeting; will do lineup for 20-21 year
- April; due to lack of interest and budget, the planned workshop and speaker will be canceled. Instead will do “behind the scenes” at quilt show (send pictures if you have them from quilt shows you have attended to Chrissy who plans to do a slide show). As ribbon winners will be announced at the April meeting, winners can read the judge’s comments and show their quilts if interested.

Hospitality Joany Rebecchi:

Break: 7:01 to 7:20pm

SPEAKER: [Kathy Graves](#) “**Alternative Grid in Modern Quilting**”. Many find Alternative Grid design one of the easiest elements of Modern Quilting to observe and explore. Breaking the traditional grid design found in many quilts, Alternative Gridwork is a hallmark of many modern quilts.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Geri is looking for 2-3 members for a Nominating Committee for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Some Committee chairs want to step down. Elections will be in May. See Geri soon if interested; and, if you are called, give some serious consideration to taking on one of these positions.

Show and Tell: as always, some beautiful quilts displayed

Block of the Month Barbara Beauregard, Diane Roman: The block for January was ARROWHEAD PUZZLE. Winner drawn. The Block of the month for February is ANTIQUE TILE (3 fabrics, colors optional). Pattern is in the Newsletter and on the Website

Strip Exchange Lyn Pallotta: (this season THEME consists of things you would see or buy on a trip to...). The theme for January meeting was THE FLOWER SHOP. Two winners were drawn. The February Strip Challenge theme is THE BALL GAME.

Door Prizes Missy Smith, Caryn O'Connor, Dyann Casala: four winners were drawn

Historian: thank you to the members who do take pictures of meetings and events as we do not have a historian at this time. Thank you for continuing to submit them to Facebook for posting

Magazine Exchange: Maria Lage checked with Ryco and they no longer accept magazines (it was getting too trashy). While Maria is still in RI (she has not moved to Florida yet!), she will clear the table at the end of the meeting and find a home for leftovers. But were are still asking members to please take back what is left and not bring in non-quilt/sewing related materials. Please let Maria know if you know of anyplace that can/will accept leftover items

Publicity:

Meeting adjourned at: 8:45pm

How many members attended? 89



Next Membership Mtg:

2-20-20: Tina Craig; “EPP vs. FPP: The Showdown!”

Next Program/Workshop:

(Saturday), February 22, 2020; 9am – 3pm. **Tina Craig; “Design Your Own EPP”**. Rocky Hill Grange, 1340 South County Trail, East Greenwich, RI 02818

Next Special Activity:

(Saturday), February 8, 2020; 9am-3pm. **Quilt-A-Thon**. The Classroom, 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI

(Saturday), March 21, 2020; 9am – 3pm; **Quilt-A-Thon**. The Classroom, 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI

(Saturday), March 28, 2020; 7am – 8pm. **2020 Schoolhouse Shop Hop Bus Trip**

NBQA QUILT SHOW: 2020 VISION

**** (Thursday), February 20, 2020;** quilt show applications due

**** (Thursday), February 20, 2020;** Quilters’ Vision 2020 Design-a-Quilt Contest entries due; to be voted on by NBQA members at the meeting

**** (Thursday), March 26, 2020, 4-7pm or (Friday), March 27, 2020, 10am-1pm;** quilts that are being judged to be dropped off at Pat Harrison’s house

**** (Saturday), March 28, 2020;** following a day of judging; judged quilts must be picked up at **3:30pm** from the Exeter Public Library located at 773 Ten Rod Road (Rt. 102), Exeter, RI

**** (Friday), April 24, 2020, 9-11am;** all quilts to hang in the show must be delivered to the North Kingstown High School (rear entrance), 150 Fairway Drive, North Kingstown, RI

**** (Saturday), April 25, 2020 and (Sunday), April 26, 2020; 10am to 4pm both days;** at North Kingstown High School, North Kingstown, RI

**** (Sunday), April 26, 2020, 4:45-5:30pm;** quilts to be picked up once take down is complete