

**HANDS OF FRIENDSHIP QUILT GUILD
MINUTES
AUGUST 19, 2015**

The Hands of Friendship Quilt Guild met in the Fellowship Hall at the First Methodist Church, Kirksville, on July 19, 2015. As the members/friends gathered, Elsie Gaber handed out name tags which corresponded to the “colors” on each table. With many newer members, this is an effort to have everyone know each other better. Each table contained a number & color with small fabric pieces corresponding to that color and attendees were to take them home. We will be instructed at a later time what to do with these fabrics.

President Di Zook called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Linda Pickett introduced Kathy Reick from the Kirksville Art Center. Ms. Reick requested that the Guild members display 15-18 of our quilts in the Art Center. They will receive them on both November 1 and 2, and then display them through the end of December. Interest was expressed and we agreed to do this. They will have a reception for the Guild members on November 19. The quilts do NOT have to have a Christmas theme. Her phone number is 216-0337 (cell) or 665-6333 if anyone wants to talk to her about this.

President Di Zook announced the August birthdays and several visitors were introduced: Tara Hettinger, April Bartlett, Lois Powell, and Beverly Compton. Some of them paid dues later that evening in order to become members. Brenda Moore was introduced, also—she had paid dues at the 2015 Quilt Show Roll Call was answered by 38 members and 4 visitors with “My Favorite Color.” (Blue and purple were the overall favorites.)

The minutes were approved as sent out via email and the postal service. Some have not been receiving their emails and we will try to straighten that out. Treasurer Joan Harrison presented the Treasurer’s report and reminded everyone that dues are now due and payable.

OLD BUSINESS:

A list of the various committees was circulated and we were reminded that **EVERYONE** needs to be on at least one committee.

Bonnie Hunter Retreat:

Linda Pickett gave a detailed report on the expenses for the upcoming retreat, September 18, 19, and 20, 2015, totaling \$4,800.80.

Items included:

- Airfare;
- 1/3 of the mileage for a rental vehicle, estimated;
- One ½ day Workshop
- Two full-day workshops;
- Trunk Show;
- Plus \$35. for each registrant over 24;
- Building rental

TOTAL: \$4,800.80

Additional expenses: \$200 Security for Thursday & Friday nights, making a **Total of \$5,000.00.**

They also plan to have bottled water and donuts on both Friday and Saturday and a buffet luncheon will be served on both Friday and Saturday at a cost of \$10.00 per person.

There will be three (3) ironing stations set up—**DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN IRON!!** There will also be cutting stations set up. If you wish to bring your own cutting board, it **MUST** be a small one. Two attendees will be seated on each side at long banquet tables, so there won't be a tremendous amount of room.

There are **4 openings on Thursday, September 17**, and **4 openings on Saturday, September 19**, due to some cancellations. It is hoped we can fill these vacancies because the registrations have been refunded to those who cannot now attend.

Diane Bloskovich and Andrea O'Brien will both check with their sons to see if one of them would want to provide Security on Thursday and/or Friday nights.

Kay Beach announced that gift certificates will be given away from both Quilted Square and Wildflower Quilting. Nine gift bags with quilting/sewing items and 10 table runners have been made by the committee as additional door prizes.

Purchase of a Sound System:

There was a discussion about the purchase of a sound system from "Sweetwater.com," including a microphone, microphone stand and case, and possibly wireless microphone. This would be a "Mackie" brand. Barb Bevell works with these systems all the time and said the Mackie brand is good. It was pointed out that we could utilize the microphone system for the Quilt Show, as well. (We have been borrowing a microphone system from the Rotary for use at the Quilt Show.) After discussion, Pat Kurtzman made a motion, second by Rose Marie Smith, to purchase a sound system, including a wireless microphone, hand-held microphone, and remote with a spending limit of \$1,000. The motion carried unanimously. Diane Jarvis will be assisted by Barb Bevell as to order what is needed.

2016 Quilt Show:

It was announced that Kirksville R-III has offered one of their schools for our 2016 Quilt Show and it will be **free!** Many felt the Junior High would be ideal. The gymnasium is larger than the gym at the YMCA, and we will have access to the commons area and the Home Economics room. Also, we will be able to get into the building much earlier. This would give us more room for vendors, more space for quilts, and the gymnasium floor will be protected by the school, so we won't need to be quite as careful. It has been penciled in for the first full weekend in June (3 & 4), 2016, and this was agreeable with everyone. Elsie Gaber made a motion that we go to the Junior High for the 2016 Quilt Show on June 3 & 4, 2016, seconded by Bonnie Schultz, and a unanimous vote.

UFO Challenge:

Elsie Gaber and Barb Bevell are on the Fun and Games Committee and in charge of the UFO Challenge (not to be confused with the 2015-2016 Guild Challenge). Everyone in attendance was asked to fill out a Challenge paper and encouraged to complete at least one project on the paper during the year.

NEW BUSINESS:

A paper was circulated to sign up for the quilts to be displayed at the Kirksville Art Center.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Renae Farnsworth requested that anyone who has a veteran's quilt give it to her before the next meeting.
- **QUILT 'TIL U WILT:** It will be Saturday, August 22, 2015, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Adair County Annex. Everyone is free to come and go as time allows. We will have a carry-in lunch or you can "brown bag" it, if you prefer. It is a good opportunity to get to know others in the Quilt Guild and we hope some of our new members will attend!
- **CHALLENGE PROJECT:** The reveal of Bonnie Hunter quilts will be at the September 16, 2015, meeting. The new Challenge Project will be presented at the October 21, 2015, meeting, to be completed by the September 2016 meeting.

SHOW & TELL:

- **Nancy Krueger**
 1. "Grand Illusion," a Bonnie Hunter quilt
- **Cathy Poyner**
 1. "Four Square Dance," a mystery quilt
- **Barb Bevell**
 1. "Cathedral Window," a rag quilt she made from denim circles, to be used as a picnic quilt.
- **Kathy Krog**
 1. "Solitary Confinement,"
 2. An Irish Chain pattern using Shelly Pagliai's hand-dyed fabrics
 3. "Strippers Delight," one of Shelly Pagliai's pattern.
- **Shelly Pagliai**
 1. Leather quilt bag given to her by Scott for her birthday
 2. "French Country Sampler" Her new design for the Quilt Club's Block of the Month for Sew Sweet Quilt Shop
- **Kim Sampson**
 1. A quilt made by her 9-year-old grandson. He made two of them for twin babies expected soon.
- **Kay Beach**
 1. A Veteran's quilt.
- **Elsie Gaber**
 1. "Macaroni & Cheese," the 2004 Crayon Challenge quilt
 2. Bear quilt made in 2011 for Ron Gaber.

- **Mary Shoaff**
 1. “Twister;”
 2. A Christmas wall hanging

- **Bonnie Schultz**
 1. A cat quilt made for her 2 yr. old granddaughter
 2. Black/white quilt made from sale fabrics
 3. Denim quilt for granddaughter made with squares precut by a lady from Hurdland

- **Liz Mills**
 1. A fabric book for grandbaby #3, born August 6

- **Rose Marie Smith**
 1. Quilt from magazine that was called “Prairie Stars”, but she named it “Prairie Christmas.”

- **Linda Kowalski**
 1. embroidered butterflies quilt

- **Andrea O’Brien**
 1. UFO made from scraps;
 2. Quilt for son Zane made from fabric hand-dyed by Andrea & husband John
 3. Tiger Quilt made with hand-dyed fabrics
 4. “Disappearing Hourglass”

PROGRAM:

Kathy Krog demonstrated how to make a 10-minute table runner. Instructions can be found on YouTube.com. It requires ½ yard fabric for the back and 1/3 yard fabric for the front. Sew down both edges with right sides together. Fold in half back to back and sew a ¼.” seam on each end. Turn it right side out & each end becomes a point.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy East, Secretary