

Card Trick Chapter – AQG

Minutes

November 10, 2021

Attendance:

Elaine Mahaffey
Barbara Yetter
Sandy Wagner
Jeannette Wright
Diana Anderson

Trish Staffnik (visitor)
Marlys Hunt
Becky Gibson
Maggie Smeh
Kathy Bowers

Gayle Lazar
Susan Denton
Paule-Marie Bunyan
Jodi Moses
Cathy Clark

Following social sewing time, Elaine Mahaffey, Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 2:00. She welcomed everyone and introduced Trish Staffnik, a visitor. Barbara Yetter presented the block of the month. Maggie S., Kathy B., Elaine M., and Marlys H. displayed completed blocks. Sandy Wagner brought a specialty machine and displayed samples of machine quilting. She also showed a neck lamp for sewing (Sewlite). Upcoming education programs include:

- December: Trunk show
- January: Demonstration of Sashiko
- February: Locker hooking

For the Chapter Education this month, Cathy Clark gave an interesting class in fabric dying using ice. (Please see the chapter website <https://cardtrickschapter.com/> for photographs). Cathy spent time at the Petrified Forest as an artist-in-residence. She showed a palette of fabric dyed to match the colors of the Petrified Forest to use for art quilts and passed around samples of dyed fabric. She then demonstrated the technique of dyeing fabric using ice chips.

After the class, the business meeting began. The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved (motion: Jody, second: Sandy). Paule-Marie presented the treasurer's report. At present, the chapter has \$6113.98 (including Patriotic Piecer's funds). The Patriotic Piecers have \$1402. Barbara reported there is an invoice at Pinetop Star awaiting payment.

Elaine reported several upcoming events:

- Rim Country Quilt Round-Up in Payson November 12 & 13
- Arizona Quilters Fun Day (sponsored by AQG) December 4. Cathy Clark suggested car-pooling
- A juried art exhibition taking place at Northland Pioneer College from January 24 until February 18. Deadline for entry applications is December 3.
- Road to California January 19 -22. The event will be open from Wednesday through Saturday. Sandy Wagner is coordinating this for our chapter. Rooms are \$144 at the Doubletree Inn. We have a total of 8 rooms (with 1-4 people per room), with only 3 rooms left. There is also a hospitality room with snacks. If flying, fly into the Ontario CA airport.
- Happy Trails Quilt Club Winter Show in Surprise, AZ February 18 & 19
- Card Tricks Chapter Christmas Party December 9, 12 N to 3 PM. Bring something for a potluck lunch. There will be a secret sister gift exchange, games, and a trunk show presented by Sandy Wagner. Maggie S is coordinating this party; contact her for questions.

Diana reported the Chapter website is now live at <https://cardtrickschapter.com/>, but is still under construction so there are a couple of links that are not yet working. She reported that the cost was over the \$200 originally approved. The cost of the domain cardtrickschapter.com was \$148.99, which came with a free web site. However, to link the website to the cardtrickschapter domain cost an additional

\$91.79. Cathy made a motion to approve the additional expense, seconded by Barbara. The motion was approved.

A survey was conducted to identify how chapter members felt regarding the chapter and to solicit ideas for chapter activities for the coming year. Fifteen members completed the survey, and paper copies of the survey were distributed to members present who had not yet completed the survey. Elaine will report results at the December meeting.

Susan Denton made arrangements with the church to allow us to begin social sewing time earlier at 11 AM. She will have the church open.

Kathy Bower is working on designing a pattern for this year's opportunity quilt. She will arrange a workshop to teach us how to foundation piece the blocks she has designed. Barbara and Susan volunteered to help her select the colors and fabric. The quilt will measure 91" x 91". There was discussion that because of Covid restrictions, we are a year behind on making an opportunity quilt. Maggie has a quilt top she will donate for the 2023 quilt. She will bring it to a meeting for chapter members to determine if it is acceptable to use.

Three committees have been formed. The Quilt Show Committee will be co-chaired by Ellen Y and Donna D. The Program Committee will be co-chaired by Sandy W and Cathy C. The Hospitality/Sunshine/Membership Committee will be co-chaired by Maggie S and Marlys H. If chapter members are interested in serving on any of these committees, they should contact one of the co-chairs.

Elaine recognized the Patriotic Piecers for the work that they do and reported they will be asked to present a program next November to highlight their work in 2022. The Patriotic Piecers will be having a quilt retreat tomorrow and Saturday to work on their opportunity quilt.

Elaine suggested the chapter needs to have an inclement weather policy. After discussion, Jeannette made the motion (seconded by Kathy) that if Blue Ridge schools are closed, then the chapter meeting will be cancelled.

Show and Tell:

- Several members showed the blocks they made for Ellen's album quilt
- Becky displayed a quilt she made called "Women's Voices"
- Elaine displayed a quilt featuring a "Tree of Life" block. She also showed a ceramic sculpture of a quilter she made called Quilter's Monument.
- Jodi displayed a quilt she is hand-quilting, and also showed her new name tag.
- Gayle displayed a wall hanging of an elk and a table runner she made for a Christmas gift.
- Paule-Marie displayed free-standing lace turkeys
- Jeannette displayed a John Wayne quilt
- Maggie displayed a quilt she made from the same "Women's Voices" pattern as Becky.

Elaine won the fat quarter drawing and the door prize was won by Paule-Marie.

Maggie made a motion to adjourn at 3:50 PM, seconded by Marlys. The next meeting will be the Chapter Christmas party at the church, December 9 from 12N to 3 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Anderson, Chapter Secretary