

Mississippi Valley Quilters Guild

General Meeting

Sept. 3, 2024

First Congregational Church, Moline, Ill.

The evening meeting was called to order by President Dawn Thompson.

Attendance at the evening meeting: 98 members, 2 guests, and 6 new members.

Dawn Thompson welcomed members and guests. Dawn presented a review of the guild's activities and achievements over the past year.

Announcements:

- Two volunteers are needed to audit the guild's books. Deb Williams and Marilyn Lihs volunteered.
- Vice President Bev Hoy presented a gift of blue and green batik fat quarters to Dawn Thompson for her service as president this past year.
- Volunteers of the year were announced: Jacki Carmichael and Evelyn Cook
- Judy Nelson presented the 2024-2025 board members and presented each with a gift of fabric-embellished postcards. The Board of Directors for 2024-2025 were voted in by the membership:
 - President, Dawn Thompson
 - Vice President, Deb Schladt
 - Secretary, Kathee Secor
 - Treasurer, Sharon Milne
 - Members-at-Large, Nancy Duvall, Kathy Higgins
 - Newsletter, Denise Greer
 - Membership, DeLaine Lanman
 - Webmaster, Jean Sterrett
 - Historian, Carol Burrus
 - Programs, Diana Engelbrecht
- Next board meeting is Sept. 10 with old and new board members at Dawn's house (potluck dinner).

Committee Chair updates:

- Peggy Fierst, Quilt Show Chair – please volunteer to help out with the quilt show. Please pick up a yard sign to promote the show. Next show meeting is Sept. 29.
- Sally Stewart, Second-hand Treasures – Items are being sorted; the committee needs help pricing.
- Cathy Litwinow, quilt appraisal chair – please register and pay (\$60 each) to have your quilt(s) appraised.
- Diana Engelbrecht for Lynn Figg – Lynn will get emails out to those who have registered quilts for the show. Reminder, wall quilt categories have changed. Please consult the guidelines to make sure quilts are entered in the proper categories. Notify by late September if you will not complete a quilt that has been registered. Help is needed in the judging room.
- Sharon Milne – requesting cookies (two cookies per Ziplock bags) for quilt show volunteers.
- Faye Kunz – the Etsy shop with guild-logoed merchandise is now linked on the website. Stock up on unique items!
- Dorine Donaubauer, quilt show volunteer chair—we still need many volunteers for the show.

- Jane Darin & Nancy Duvall—they will be determining where quilts will be displayed (floor layout). Wednesday, Oct. 16 in the morning is when quilt stands will be constructed (7/16” socket wrench recommended). Bring a step ladder. Quilts will be hung on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning.
- Diana Engelbrecht, community education – Porch party at Butterworth Education Center: two make-and-takes and demonstrations on Sept. 15. “Colors of Light” quilt display at the QC Botanical Center – quilts are needed to hang on Nov. 1, 2024. The show ends Jan. 31, 2025.
- Julia Warner, quilt show demonstrations – Helpers are needed for each shift for the demonstrators.
- Margaret Paulos, Doll Quilts—if aprons are needed, Margaret has a few. Denim shirts pre-cut and ready for sewing for anyone who would like to complete them. One quilt needs hand quilting.
- Mary Pement, Quilt Retreat – Spaces are still available! Sept. 18-22, 2024.
- Diana Engelbrecht, Programs – October speaker is Diane Murtha, “Peaceful Stitching” and “License to Play.” The November meeting will feature Quilt Show ribbon winners. December program is our holiday party.
- Denise Greer, Newsletter – new business card ads and other ads are needed for the newsletter.

Program:

Members displayed their President’s Challenge Christmas fabric projects for donation to our Quilt Show Boutique.

Water Challenge winners: first place, Andrea Pohlman, second place, Linda Klyman, Judy Nelson, third place.

Name tag winners selected prizes.

The September Doohickey prize was won by Rebecca Fisher.

Dawn Thompson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Downey, Secretary