

Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting, January 10, 2019

President Joy Vanderhoof called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. There were 32 members present and Joy remarked how wonderful it was to see so many people in attendance. She introduced the new board,

Joy Vanderhoof	President
Sue Chamberlain	Vice-President
Sharon Barnes	Treasurer
Kay Guillot	Secretary
Jean Anderson	Membership
Venessa Saucier	Newsletter and Website
Sue Rountree	Hospitality
Rena Krol	Historian

Gloria Burlette announced that she has labels available for charity quilts.

Joy thanked Martha Slee and Therese Springer for their service as President and Vice-President in 2017-2018.

Secretary Kay Guillot read the minutes from the previous meeting. They were approved without revision with a motion by Sue Rountree and a second by Michele Martin. Kay then read a thank you note from Brenda's House for the guild's annual donation of quilts and fabric covered notebooks. Statistics indicated that most residents of the children's shelter are ages 10 through 20, and in 2018 there were slightly more boys than girls. The average stay is 35 nights.

Treasurer Sharon Barnes reported a balance of \$3,344.04 in the guild's bank account. This is a decrease of \$150 since the previous month, the cost of challenge prizes and gift at the Christmas party. Joy announced that Joan Wochomurka and Barbara Scott will audit the guild financial records for 2017 and 2018.

Vice President Sue Chamberlain laid out the program schedule for upcoming months.

- January- Jelly Roll Placemat (Rug) taught by Marsha Robertson. The materials list is in the newsletter
- February- Gloria Burlette and Faye Keller will teach projects they learned in a recent GSQA Pursuit of Excellence program.
- March- Ava Craig will teach a ruler/pressing surface bag. However, there is a conflict with our usual project night date and the GSQA seminar classes. The membership approved moving March project night to March 21st in order to avoid the conflict.
- April- there will be no project night. Members will turn in their quilts for the quilt show that night.
- May- Joy will teach a burrito pillow case. This could be a good project for Brenda's House donations. We could donate the pillow cases to the children's shelter.

Members have expressed a desire for a monthly guild project. In 2019 Sue Chamberlain will facilitate a guild block of the month that illustrates color theory. Members were asked to bring a 12 ½" (twelve inch finished) monochromatic nine-patch block to the February business meeting. Fabrics used should read as solid, but any color can be used. Each month everyone who makes a block will have a chance to win all the blocks. A new color theory and block will be introduced at each month's business meeting.

Joy acknowledged that the guild traditionally has an annual challenge and reported that the board suggests we postpone choosing the challenge until after the quilt show. The membership agreed.

Joy also reminded the membership that if anyone has a suggestion for a program or is willing to teach a project, please contact a board member. In that same vein, Therese Springer said she will distribute and collect evaluations of past guild projects and requested that we provide feedback and provide suggestions for future project nights.

Quilt Show Director Venessa Saucier reminded us that there will be lots of opportunity for members to help at the quilt show, even if they haven't volunteered for a specific job. She distributed ad forms; ads offset the cost of printing the quilt show program. Venessa also has show entry forms (two per entry required) available. These forms are due by April 11th. The description of the quilt should be in the third person. Dimensions of the quilt are very important for show layout. The quilt photo (one per entry required) can be printed on computer paper. Both forms are available on the web site.

Marge Sandy is chair of the quilt show plant sale. She reminded everyone to start rooting plant clippings. Gardening books would also be a welcome additional sale items.

Quilt Show Door Prize Chair, Michele Martin, asked for donations of new or nearly new items from members. She will also ask major fabric and quilting companies to donate.

Martha Slee reminded everyone that January 12th was our monthly opportunity quilt ticket sale at Second Saturday in Bay St. Louis. She recruited volunteers for help setting up and selling. She plans to arrive in Old Town directly after Sew & Draw on Saturday, same place, same time.

January 12th is also Sew & Draw. Melba LaCaze described the quilt that we will be making. It's a strip quilt; some blocks are made of vertical strips and others are horizontal. Some of the strips will be pieced. Participants should bring 1-3 fat quarters of brights that read as solid. Members signed up to sew, iron, or cut. As always, we should have a quilt top completed by 3 pm, and one participant will win the top.

Marge Sandy asked everyone to turn in their list of current UFO's to her by the March business meeting. As we complete each UFO and display it at show and tell, we receive credit. Project night items also count as UFO's. Marge will add them to your list as you complete them.

Kay talked about the guild's annual quilt retreat at the Beckwith Retreat Center in Fairhope, AL. Dates in 2019 are August 15th - 18th. Cost remains at \$309 double occupancy and \$387 single. Payments of \$103 will be collected at the March, May, and July business meetings.

Joy told members about several upcoming charity opportunities.

- February 2, CASA will have a silent auction, and they are looking for a finished quilt they can raffle off. Please contact Barbara Scott if you are interested in donating.
- On April 7th the Hancock County Friends of the Animal Shelter are hosting the annual luncheon/high tea. Organizations can purchase a table for \$120. The table needs to be decorated. The membership agreed to participate in this event; Chris Jarrell will coordinate.
- The Friends of the Animal Shelter are also asking for dog and cat placemats, bowl holders, neckerchiefs for animals, etc. This could be a future project night or something for sit and sew.

Sit and Sew Dates- 2/9, 3/23, 4/13

Martha announced that there will be a special event at the February 9th Sit and Sew. The library has arranged a surgery clinic to repair “injured” stuffed animals. Each child will check in at the clinic with their animal and await relief as surgeons are available. Children will receive a lollypop and animals will each get a sticker. Melba suggested that we wear scrubs if we have them.

Gloria announced that last year she won a significant gift certificate from Block therapy as a door prize and \$11 remains. She is returning that amount to the basket for someone else to win.

Therese reminded everyone that openings remain for Michael Young’s clamshell circuit teacher class on the coast on January 18th.

Chris Jarrell reminded all that she has opportunity quilt tickets available and is ready to collect money for tickets sold.

Marsha Robertson won the door prize.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 following a motion by Kathy Kleppner and second by Martha Slee, followed by show and tell.