

COUNTRY PIECEMAKERS MINUTES
November 9, 2019

Dorothy, President, called the meeting to order. Janet read a devotion. There were 24 members present today and 3 visitors: Malene Sykes, Laurie Lewis, and Sophie Dewey

Guild Business

- Minutes from the September meeting were approved. Jane gave birthday cards to those having a birthday in November who were present. She will mail the rest.
- Treasurer's report was not available. Cindy will give this month's and next month's report in December.
- Linda S. stated that we were having a raffle today and each chance was \$5.00. Nancy T. won the raffle. We made \$60 on last month's raffle.
- Hospitality today was Dorothy and Kay. Next month will be our pot luck Christmas brunch.
- Dorothy will be emailing the group about needed changes in the bylaws regarding our committees as we no longer have an historian and the donation/fundraising duties are done by the elected member-at large.
- Jane P. continued to collect dues today for 2020. The dues are \$20.00 She also passed a sheet around for members to update their personal information. Only members who have paid their dues will be permitted to vote in next month's election.
- Kay discussed that today members will be demonstrating ideas for Christmas gifts; December, will be our brunch at 10 a.m. at Powhatan United Methodist Church located at 2253 Rosson Road here in Powhatan. Teri had a signup sheet for the pot luck Christmas brunch. Boni S. announced:
 - The schedule:
 - 10 am - gathering and social time
 - 10:30 - brunch
 - Meeting to follow the brunch - no show and tell
 - 1pm - target time to clean up and leave before the Powhatan Christmas parade begins to set up.
 - Everyone is encouraged to wear Christmas attire including but not limited to Christmas sweaters both pretty and ugly, hats, scarves, mittens etc.
 - Since we are not exchanging gifts this year, members are asked to bring in Hamburger Helper to be donated to the Powhatan Food Pantry.
 - There will be one game. Boni S. will email the group about the details. Please respond only to her - DO NOT REPLY TO ALL.
- Kay discussed ideas for next year including a tutorial on landscape quilts/thread painting, making purses for sanitary supplies for girls in Zambia, sew days on select Fridays with more ideas to come.
- Elections. Jane R., Chair of the Elections Committee, thanked her committee members, Linda C. and Jane P. for their help in filling the slate. The slate of officers in this year's election are for President and Secretary who will serve in 2020 and 2021. The candidates are Bea N. for President and Barbara Z. for Secretary. Jane R. asked for nominations from the floor and there were none. Since there is no competition for either office, the vote in December will be by acclamation.

- Committees. Brenda S. and Betsy M. volunteered to head up the hostess committee. The group voted to buy a bin for the hostess paper goods etc. Dorothy announced that Boni S. will take on the Quilts of Valor.

Activities

- Pillowcases collected today totaled 40. Those who contributed pillowcases during the meeting were as follows: Jane R.- 11; Bea N.- 11; Boni S.- 3; and Jill M. -15.
- Dorothy showed Blocks 9 and 11 for Jane E. which are due in December. Colleen announced that the BOM quilts are due in January. The library quilt today was Dorothy; Michele in December; Merci in January, Barbara in February; Colleen in March and Cindy in April.
- Nancy T. showed her Challenge Quilt to inspire the group to participate in the challenge, "Song Title". The quilts will be shown at our February meeting along with the music to accompany them. The quilts will be on display at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival from February 27 - March 1 in Hampton, VA. There will be a Quilt of Valor presentation with dinner at the American Legion in Powhatan on November 19 at 6 pm. There are still 5 slots open. If you want to attend, please contact Nancy T.
- Donation Quilts for NICU were as follows: Bonnie S.-1 and Donna G.-2.
- Donation Quilts for Amelia Nursing & Rehabilitation Center were as follows: Boni S. -2.
- Show and Tell by Michelle H.; Jan H.; Jeannette R.; Linda C.; Becky W.; Colleen W.; Heidi D.; Janet C.; Boni S. and Dorothy H.

Tips for the Day

- Chadwicks - Open house until 4 today.
- Powhatan High School Craft Show is today.
- Howard Graham, the veteran who made the wooden crosses for us is having some health issues.
- We received a thank you note from veteran Chorlton Dunn for the Quilt of Valor that we presented to him.
- Italian Delight will be having a Spaghetti with Santa night on Monday, December 2 with all proceeds going to the Powhatan Christmas Mother.
- The Christmas Mother is in need of shoppers and wrappers. For more information on Christmas Mother related activities, contact Kay W.
- Former member Anne B. is in need of a sitter for her husband who has Alzheimer's. Any suggestions should be given to Linda S. or Anne B.
- Roxanne R. won the election for State Delegate in her district.
- Former member Ginny Moser continues to battle cancer but still is quilting.

Meeting adjourned for Christmas gift demonstrations by Linda C.; Kay W.; Betsy M., Bea N.; Becky W., Dorothy H.; and Jane P.

Submitted

Jane R.

for

Barbara

Secretary