

COUNTRY PIECEMAKERS MEETING 12/12/20

The meeting was called to order by Bea and devotion was done by Dorothy. There were 21 members present. And one visitor , Myrtle Whitlock. The minutes from the November meeting and treasurer's report were accepted.

New permanent name badges made by Michele were distributed to members that were present. Members will keep their own name badge and wear to each meeting. We had one December birthday, Sara Parrish. Nancy will deliver her card.

A very nice donation basket by Bea was won by Pam and \$65 was collected. Thanks to all for their participation.

The winners of the FQ collections were Betsy and Roxann.

Thank you cards were received from St. Mary's Woods for quilts donated, Powhatan Christmas Mother for placemats donated, and from a Veteran, Angelo Fisari for a quilt.

COMMITTEE HEADS FOR 2021: Dorothy volunteered to head up Membership. Teri volunteered to head up the Veterans Quilts. Thank you ladies!!

Boni has been putting together mystery quilts for Veterans from blocks distributed to members. Eight quilts were completed in 2020. Lap sized quilts are being made for veterans undergoing treatments at McGuire Veterans Hospital. Dorothy has been bringing them there. Boni also distributed blocks to several members today to be done and returned for another quilt. They will be returned to Teri as new veterans quilt chair.

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING AT THE RESCUE SQUAD IN JANUARY 2021 because of the Governor's mandate of no more than 10 people gathering together due to COVID.

The BROWN BAG (BB) Project for 2021 was discussed and will be headed by Colleen beginning in JANUARY and go on for 6 months. You can choose to participate or not. You can choose a theme or not and make your initial block(s) to be put in a brown bag. You can include fabric to be used in future blocks made by others if you want to. Your BROWN BAG with your initial block in it will be swapped each month with another member who will make a block for you. You will make a block for the person who you swapped with for their BB. Your BB will be returned to you at the end of 6 months. You can then make these into a quilt or wall hanging or whatever you choose. View previous BB on the Website and you will be amazed at the creativity of everyone. ****THIS WILL BEGIN IN JANUARY, SO MAKE YOUR INITIAL BLOCK FOR YOUR BB IF YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE**** Logistics will be emailed at a later date regarding swapping of BB.

JANUARY 2021 PROJECT; STORM AT SEA (PAPER PIECED without paper) will be taught by Colleen. It will be 30 X30 or you can make it larger if you wish but will need additional fabric. SUPPLIES: 2 HIGHLY contrasted fabrics--2 yds of each for the 30 X 30 size. A complete supply list will be emailed by Colleen. Classes will be have a maximum of 9 members. Colleen will coordinate logistics of getting this project done in January.

We will have a BOM starting in January. Lisa will be emailing the block instructions to members in January even though we will have no January meeting and possibly no February meeting. Members wishing to participate may make one block or multiples. When we finally reunite, we will have a drawing for blocks turned in (by month). The winner takes all. Stay tuned for more from Lisa.

ELECTION OF 2021 BOARD POSITIONS; Boni was voted in as VP (Laura and Nancy T will assist her with facilitating programs). Jane P, and Pam will share the MEMBER AT LARGE position.

DONATION QUILTS total FOR 2020: 72 Baby Quilts (Linda donated 2 today), 34 NH quilts , 320 pillowcases, 8 Veterans quilts, and 6 Alzheimers Home quilts

In appreciation for members teaching classes throughout the year, GIFT CARDS were given to Boni, Colleen, Betsy, and Dorothy. Michele and Jane E were also awarded gift cards, but were not present.

THIMBLE PINS were given out to several members who chaired committees, quilted quilts for our guild and contributed much to our guild throughout the year: Betsy, Boni, Colleen, Lisa, Nancy J., and Jane P. Also awarded thimble pins, but not present were Michele, Janet, Brenda, Nancy T., Barbara and Sara. Nancy J will deliver Barbara 's and Sara's. Bea will deliver Michele's and Linda will deliver Janet's.

Thank you gifts were given to Kay, Linda and Cindy for their participation as Board Members.

CHRISTMAS SHOW AND TELL was done by Bea, Kay, Roxann, Dorothy, Myrtle, Jan, Colleen, Merci, Myra, Cindy, Nancy, and Teri.

We collected and donated 124 pounds of food to the Goochland Cares food pantry as well as masks they were requesting. Thank you all for your generous donations!

A delicious boxed lunch was enjoyed by all followed by FABRIC BINGO.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR !!
Submitted by Linda Stinson (for Barbara Zirkle)

****PLEASE MAKE ANY CORRECTIONS AND NOTE THERE ARE SOME QUESTION MARKS THANKS!!****