

COUNTRY PIECEMAKERS
FEBRUARY 8, 2020

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bea, the president. The meeting was held at the Methodist Church.

Janet Carson led us in a devotion.

There were 31 members present and a visitor, Sophie, Heidi's daughter.

Guild Business-Reports

The minutes from the January meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report was approved.

Sunshine-Barbara distributed February birthday cards.

Community Service & Fundraising- Linda announced that we would have a raffle drawing today and 2 other freebie gifts donated by the officers. Chances are \$5.00 each. The winner was Dreama. The freebie gifts were won by Becky and Laura.

Congratulations to the winners.

Hospitality-Thank you to Dreama and Janet for the hospitality today.

Website-Michele asked members to please read website because she puts a lot of work into keeping it updated. It includes the new bylaws, minutes, BOM among other pieces of information.

Membership-Jane P. announced that we have 44 paid members.

Quilt Challenge-Nancy T. announced that later in the meeting, members would show their challenge quilts.

Veteran Quilt-Boni S. says this will be our program in June. She has lots of burgundy and navy fabrics and has some red and white fabrics. She is looking for more fire engine red scraps at least 4 ½ inches by 8 ½ inches.

Programs-Kay announced that February-Boni S. and Michele will give a demo on how to make a T-Shirt quilt.

March-Betsy will teach how to make a cork bag. She is emailing pattern and necessary information. She suggested that you use a denim weight needle and thread no higher than 50 weight. You can buy the cork at Hampton Quilt Show. Please have everything cut out prior to meeting. The supply list has been sent to email address for each member.

April-Betsy will bring 4 or 5 patterns to be used for doll quilts. They are to be 22 inches by 24 inches in size. It was suggested that we might make a child's quilt 36 inches by 48 inches to match the doll quilt. She read a note from the recipient of the doll quilt program.

Activities

The **library quilt** for February is Barbara; Colleen for March; and Cindy for April. Barbara and Nancy J. collected 37 **pillowcases** today. Kits were distributed today.

Nancy J. collected 5 **nursing home quilts** today. Janet collected 6 **NICU quilts** today. A motion was made by Nancy J. and seconded by Billie to make Noreen Mercure an honorary member since she makes so many baby quilts for our guild.

BOM for 2020-Michele showed her and Bea's blocks which we should bring to the March meeting. They are the Courthouse Steps and 52 Four Patch Blocks. See the website for more information and also, Michele, sent out an email concerning this project.

Show and Tell-Kay, Roxanne, Nancy T., Boni S., Heidi, Barbara.

Challenge Quilts

The following members showed their challenge quilts to be hung at the MidAtlantic Quilt Show in Hampton.

Bonnie S.-I'd Like To Teach The World To Sing
Jill and Colleen-Puff the Magic Dragon
Heidi and Sophie-I See the Light
Boni S.-Her Great Grandfather's Farmhouse
Linda C.-Twist and Shout
Merci-Easter Hallelujah and EIEIO (2 different quilts)
Cindy-Moon River
Dorothy-Joy to the World
Jane R.-On Eagle's Wings
Nancy T.-Burning Ring of Fire
Colleen-Silver Thread and Golden Needles

Nancy T. says we will discuss next month, the theme for the 2021 Challenge Quilts.

Closing Remarks

- **Reminder our March meeting will be held at the library.**
- **Kay announced that we plan to go to All Brands on Monday, March 30, to sew tote bags for Africa. We will discuss this further at the March meeting.**
- **Betsy will teach us how to make the cork bags at the March meeting.**
- **We need volunteers to help with hospitality in June and September.**
- **MidAtlantic Quilt Show in Hampton on February 27-March 1.**

Submitted by Barbara, Secretary

Program

Michele provided a slide show and discussed making a T-Shirt Quilt and then we went into another room to see many T-Shirt Quilts. Michele and Boni S. gave us some pointers as to how best to make these quilts. Good jobs ladies.

