

COUNTRY PIECEMAKERS MINUTES

September 9, 2017

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

President Dorothy called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. There were 28 members present. Janet gave the devotion.

GUILD BUSINESS:

• **Minutes:**

There was one addition and one correction to the August minutes. Betsy M. won the 50/50 raffle. The information needed in November for the challenge quilts was added. The minutes were accepted with the these changes.

• **Treasurer's Report:**

The treasurer's report was reviewed and approved as read.

• **Membership:**

Sara L. reported two guests joined prior to the meeting bringing the total membership 46.

• **Hospitality:**

Boni S., Jane R. and Nancy T. will provide breakfast for the October meeting.

• **Sunshine:**

September birthday cards went to Bev, Jane R., Carmen, Jean, and Dorothy.

• **NICU Quilts:**

A plea for additional NICU quilts went out to members in August. A big thank you was given to the members who responded with seven quilts.

• **Programs:**

- The October program will be a workshop program on hand appliqué taught by Linda C.
- The November program will be the annual pillowcase workshop lead by Colleen. She will have kits ready for assembly. Members who have fabric for pillowcases are asked to bring it to the October meeting. Colleen distributed fall/Halloween kits which need to be returned at the October meeting.
- December will be our annual holiday luncheon with election of president and secretary. Jane E. will check for the availability of the Amberleigh clubhouse. A suggestion also was made to have the luncheon at the library.

• **Clarification of Bylaws:**

The Board initiated an amendment to our by-laws clarifying odd/even years regarding election of officers. An electronic notification has been sent out to members. The change was announced at the meeting, and voting will occur at the October meeting. Currently Article VI Nominations and Elections reads: Section 1 – Order of Elections, Elections for officers will be held as follows: Even years - President and Secretary, Odd years - Vice President, Treasurer, and Member at Large. To be amended to: Article VI. Nominations and Elections, Section 1 – Order of Elections, Elections will be held in December of odd years for these officers. Their term will commence in January - President, Secretary; Elections will be held in December of even years for these officers. Their term will commence in January - Vice President, Treasurer, Member at Large.

• **Election of President and Secretary for 2018 through 2019:**

The offices of president and secretary will be open for nominations in October. Dorothy is willing to continue as president. Elections will occur at the December meeting.

- **Challenge Quilts for 2018 MAQF:**

Heidi reminded members that the theme for the challenge is ‘Something My Grandmother Taught Me’. The guidelines are on the guild website. In November Heidi needs the title of and dimensions of each participant’s quilt.

- **UFO Project:**

Members who completed their UFO project for August shared their items. The UFO project for September is #3. Completed projects are to be brought to the October meeting.

- **Historian:**

Boni S. reported that if someone needs a copy of a picture she has taken, request the copy within a month of it being taken as she cannot store them on her camera longterm.

- **Community Service and Fund-raising:**

- The 50/50 raffle was held. Ann B. was the winner of \$13.50.
- One more silent auction/yard sale for 2017 will be held in October. Members can bring items to be sold to benefit the chapter programs.

- **Veteran Quilts:**

The completed quilts were displayed, then collected by Jan for delivery to McGuire’s Veteran Hospital. The groups and individual members completed eleven quilts for veterans in the transition unit.

- **Library Quilts:**

Colleen collected the names of members who would like their quilts hung in the library. Names were drawn for October through December : October: Becky, November: Lisa, December: Kay.

- **NICU Quilts:**

The following members shared NICU quilts: Linda S.-4, Bev-2, Sara P.-4, Donna B.-1, Boni S.-1, and Barbara-2 for a total of 14.

- **Nursing Home Quilts:**

The following members shared quilts: Kay-1, Dorothy-1, Linda C.-1 and Nancy J.-1 for a total of 4.

- **Show and Tell:**

Due to the program, members were asked to save their quilts for sharing for the October meeting.

HOSPITALITY TODAY: Thanks were given to Carmen and Donna B. for breakfast.

BOARD MEETING: The next board meeting will be September 26 at 1:00 PM in the small meeting room of the library.

TIP OF THE DAY: Kudos to Sara P.: Sara shared a quilt which she quilted for Karen Dumont of KariPATCH Designs. It is the cover quilt for the latest ‘Quilters World’ magazine. Lisa reminded everyone that the Richmond Quilt Guild Show is September 23 and 24 at RIR. Merci announced *Quilters Corner* is for sale.

PROGRAM: Following the business meeting, members participated in an Invisible Machine Appliqué workshop taught by Laura Blanchard.

INFORMATION FOR OCTOBER MEETING:

- Hospitality - Boni S., Jane R., and Nancy T.
- Library Quilt - Becky
- Theme - Fall and Mountains

ITEMS TO BRING:

- Baby Quilts/Nursing Home Donation Quilts
- Show and Tell
- Completed UFO #3
- Completed Fall/Halloween pillowcases

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Cross, Secretary