

**TRQG Business Meeting
November 9, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by President Jan Penner at 10:00 AM on November 9, 2023.

Motion to approve the minutes of October 12, 2023 by Ed Dzioba, seconded by Pat Phillips. All in favor. Motion passes.

Presidents Updates and Information- Jan recognized the members of TRQG who have served in the military. This included Jenny Nebe, Jackie Harrison and Suzie Hardy who were present at the meeting for Veteran's Day November 11, 2023.

Sunshine Committee-Kay Amend/ Evelyn Bernhardt - We did the birthday drawings early. November winner was Barbara Scavuzzo and December winner was Ed Dzioba.

Kay Amend gave her report for the month. October cards went to Linda Tobacco-sympathy card and a Thinking of You card for Linda's husband who was not feeling well. A Get Well card for Holly Pace who had the flu. Kay will be away so any cards that are needed we should contact Evelyn Bernhardt.

There were fifty two people present at the meeting.

Vice President Carolyn Hansen- Information about the Greenville Day of Sharing on December 2, 2023 included a challenge to make placemats for the Meals on Wheels program. Carolyn suggested carpooling to the event. One item can be shown for Show and Tell. Please bring non-perishable food items to the First Christian Church for the Food Bank. in Greenville, NC.

Programs- The 4th Thursday in January Karen Dodd will demonstrate the application of a zipper and pocket in a pillow.

The 4th Thursday in February there will be a class by Emily Lewandowski on hexagons.

New Member Tea-Plans will begin in January with signup sheets. The tea will be in April or May 2024.

New Members include Denise Carmen and Debbie Till. Guests include Trish Batten and Tori Smith.

Treasurer Report- Jackie Harrison, Jackie reported that the Dreyfus fund lost some money. She explained the amounts in all of our accounts and listed our expenses.

Military quilts- Mary Daugherty/Jacki Harrison- Jacki gave the Military quilt Report. Twenty stretcher quilts were sent to Germany. At the end of the meeting we need a group picture for the military personnel to know who is doing the work and sending the quilts. The complete report is in the newsletter.

Secretary Report- Margaret Puotinen -no report.

Block of the Month-Chantel Huestis and Lilly Lucier. Eighteen tree blocks were turned in. Karen Hallquist was the winner of the November Block of the Month.

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January Block of the Month is a snowman, embellishments can be used to decorate the completed 10" block.

Charity Quilts

Children- Lorraine Wocel- the report is in the newsletter.

Nursing Home Quits-Becky Barnes- report is in the newsletter. Names of members who contributed the most charity quilts are identified. Becky reported in the newsletter the different items that were contributed by members for the Nursing Homes.

Jenny Nebe received an award for contributing twenty five quilts.

Member Outreach-Nancy Houyoux-not present, no report

My Sister's House-Barbara Scavuzzo/Pat Kruger reported that the house has a resident living there.

Susan Faith shared the center of a raffle quilt being created to benefit My Sister's House.

Newsletter-Paula Gramley needs articles by Saturday November 14, 2023 for the next newsletter. We will not have a newsletter in December.

Technology- Karen Hallquist-no report.

Day of Sharing- Ed Dzioba gave a big thank you to everyone who helped with the Day of Sharing. A special thank you to Evelyn Bernhardt and Kay Amend for the centerpieces and to the members who contributed placemats and favors for each table. The food items that the members contributed were enjoyed by members and guests.

Upcoming Events- November 16, 2023 Craft Fair 12 PM to 4 PM at Carolina Colors

Lilly Lucier said that on Saturday at the Vanceboro School there will be a Craft Fair.

Ed Dzioba shared that a Christmas Program will be presented on December 7, 2023.

Craven Concert for \$45.00 a ticket will be presenting a program from a group Chapel Heart.

Duffy Center- LuAnne Tridico said the deadline for the entry form for displaying quilts at the Duffy Center was today November 9, 2023.

Retreats

Fall Retreat- was a big success in October 2023. Sandy Smith and Katherine Haleen did a very good job at the Islander Hotel organizing this event.

Winter Retreat- Sue Kleeman reported that there were a few openings for the January Retreat. She suggested that we can bring items to share to the "give away table" table that will be setup at the retreat. She and Ed Dzioba will coordinate three dinners. The hotel costs remain the

same as this year's retreats. Jan Penner will bring the guild's first aid kit. All are encouraged to attend and enjoy the experience with the guild members.

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Spring Retreat- Kathy Farrar and Sandy Dreschler reported that we should reserve our room for the March retreat. They will collect money in January for the \$30.00 for the three dinners. Sue Kleeman will do demonstrations on Paper Piecing.

Trinity Center- Sandy Smith reported that there were still openings for the Trinity Center retreat for the last week in November. Contact Sandy if interested. Check-in time is at 2:30 on Sunday November 26, 2023. Sandy will have an email with items to bring to the Trinity Center Retreat for members attending.

Christmas Luncheon- Evelyn Bernhardt. The cost is \$15.00 per member. The additional costs will be covered by the guild. Members can choose from three entrees. Signup sheets are in the back. Food items will be collected outside of the Country Club. Members can also bring items unwrapped for the Coastal women's shelter and wrapping paper. Holiday quilt squares are to be wrapped using a paper towel holder. Members can participate in the gift sharing activities.

Raffle tickets- Fran Rice is traveling so members can turn in raffle tickets to Laure Manette

Library-Claudia Moran and Gail Dorman. All books are color coded. There are six new Missouri Star Block books. Other books include Handkerchief quilt book, Award Winning Applique and Portraits of women Quilters.

Show and Tell

Evelyn Bernhardt showed a quilt of houses, very nice.

Susan Faith- created a cosmetic bag, Sandpiper quilt runner and Ghost quilt for charity.

Laura Miller created a baby quilt

Emily Lewandowski created two bags from denim pieces and a stained glass quilt.

Karen Hallquist displayed her new Christmas tree quilt skirt.

Jenny Nebe had two quilts for the Coastal Women shelter families-one with a truck panel in the center of Christmas fabrics and one with Hexagons made in Christmas fabrics.

Lilly Lucier shared valances made with a plaid border. A Turtle quilt using techniques from Annette Ornelas and a stunning Christmas Heron wall hanging.

All quilts displayed were original, special and appreciated by the quilt guild members.

Adjournment at 11:25 AM to take the group picture for the Military Quilt recipients to see the members of the guild making donations.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Puotinen/ Secretary TRQG