

Pine Needlers Quilt Group
Business Meeting-February 5, 2024
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Pre-meeting: 3 members participated in Show & Tell. Lesley Buechel showed a beautiful patriotic quilt top she assembled for Mayre Walker. Marilyn Giblin and Judy Inskeep shared their beautiful projects with us.

The meeting was called to order by President, Judy Inskeep, at 9:41am. 21 members were in attendance.

Prayers: Pastor Schmeltz said a prayer in response to prayer requests made from the group.

Minutes: The minutes as emailed were found to need a couple of amendments for clarification. Kathy Adair read the amendments and will forward them to Marilyn Giblin to be recorded. The motion to accept the minutes as amended was made by Karen Kramer and seconded by Karla Desrosiers. They were approved by the membership.

Judy Inskeep asked that any changes to the minutes be brought up at a Business Meeting.

There was no correspondence.

February Birthdays are.

The **Treasurer's report** was emailed to the group by Deb Bradford. There were no questions concerning this report, but it was requested that if someone has an unbudgeted expense, they ask the board before a purchase. Any unbudgeted expense over \$50 **MUST** be approved by the board. We still have a few expenses, but our ending balance right now is \$7,426.06.

Standing Committees/Old Business:

Military Quilts: Edna Kemp reports that there are 22 quilts completed and in storage for the upcoming presentation. She still needs 5 February blocks. We still need more quilts for our annual presentation and, of course, for the Quilt Show. She said "please, sew, sew, sew". The patterns will be \$1. Please make 2 blocks, one military and one in yellow and green for a community quilt. Edna will still put military quilts together, but we need someone else to put the community quilt together. Edna reports that she will not be in charge of the military quilts next year. Marilyn Giblin said she will help but does not want to be in charge. We still need a Block of the Month pattern for March. Marilyn said she will supply the Block of the Month pattern for April.

Community Quilts: There are 5 completed community quilts. We need much more.

Project Linus: Judy Inskeep reported that at the beginning of the Project Linus meeting she recently attended, there were 80 donated quilts. By the end of the meeting there were over 100!

Retreats: The upcoming Bear Cabin Retreat date for this month is February 13th, and the March retreat is the 12th. Both retreats have openings but please notify Lesley Buechel as soon as possible if you would like to attend. In order for Carol to not hold a retreat, we must have no less than 10 members attending. **REMINDER:** Retreat fee is due no later than the Business meeting in which the Retreat date is being attended by you.

Sunshine: Karla Desrosiers announced the February celebrants. They are Kathy Adair, Deb Bradford, Gail Brandon, Cindy Burson and Carol Barton. Happy Birthday ladies.

Education: Lesley Buechel reports that February 21st will be the Apron Class given by Mary Slogar. Mary had a handout with cutting instructions for 2 types of aprons. You can either cut them at home before the class or wait until you get there if you're unsure of how to do it. Please bring your machine, thread, fabric, etc. There are still openings for the class. Please contact Lesley Buechel if interested. At the March Business Meeting Judy Inskip would like to have a little Apron Fashion Show and have some members talk a little about aprons. She will supply the information to talk about.

Linda Pfeifer will give a Rag Quilt Class on March 20th. She said to bring flannel or denim fabric and scissors for clipping. She recommended purchasing small "spring loaded" scissors.

Quilt Show: Karen Kramer reported that things are progressing nicely. Her goal is to have 100 quilts hanging in the show again. Sign-up sheets for various duties during the show will be available in May. The ribbons are being made but Mary Slogar could really use some help with them. She needs someone to make streamers 9" long X 1 ½" wide. They need such information as what the ribbon is for. Mary can tell you exactly what she would like written on the streamers.

The Challenge Block should be no larger than 8 ½" X 11". It should have batting, backing, binding and quilting. The theme is "Name That Tune". Do not write the name of your song anywhere on your block. Mary Slogar will be checking the blocks in and giving them a number. She will log in your name and the name of your tune. When people vote on the blocks they will write the number and what they think the tune is. The theme fabric will be available at all Business Meetings and Open Sews.

Karla Desrosiers already has 2 names for the Featured Quilter. If you have anyone you would like to nominate you can email Karla at karladesrosiers9@gmail.com You may also leave her a voicemail.

The Opportunity Quilt is all ready to go. Marilyn Giblin will be in charge of the money. Karen Schuller and Carol Smith will be in charge of finding places to display and sell raffle tickets for the quilt.

UFO/PHD/ or New Project List: Brenda Clark reports that last month's #5 are here for viewing. There were 12 participants. The winning participant of the monthly prize is Lesley Buechel. Next month's project # is 3.

Brenda will be keeping track of all the UFO/PHD/or New Project List participants. She has a sign-up sheet if you're interested. She requests that you write down the age of your project – what year you started it. Your project can be anything you choose: something old, new, a new technique you just learned, a garage sale item you picked up and finished, a class project you finally finished. Do whatever you want. Just fill in the 10 lines on the project list.

New Business:

Judy's Group Challenge is an Apron Fashion Show hopefully wearing aprons from Mary Slogar's Class. May's challenge will be to make a project out of selvage edges. Thanks to all of you who made placemats for the Senior Center. They will be most appreciated.

Judy sent out a Newsletter with lots of tidbits of information. Mayre Walker suggested including hints that someone finds helped them in their quilting journey. Let Mayre know and your hint may be eligible for a prize. In the future she would like to have input from other members'

Mayre has also put together kits to make bags for the breast cancer patients in San Diego, CA. See her or Judy if you're interested.

Renie Arrigo has been trying to get something going with the Screen Printer in Snowflake, AZ, but hasn't had much success. She did learn that T-shirts would be \$22 each (\$4 extra for XL+sizes) and an \$80 screen fee. Brenda Clark said she now has an embroidery machine and may be able to make the shirts herself, that is she would do the embroidery and each person who wanted one would supply their own shirt. This is not definite yet as the machine is not ready yet.

Renie also pointed out that the Opportunity Table was set up with lots of sewing items already filling it up. Help yourself to anything on the table but please leave a donation of whatever you think the item you are taking is worth. All monies stay with the club.

Brenda Clark reported that the Longarm machine is still not up and running. We're waiting for parts. The room is ready but if it doesn't work out the machine will go to Brenda.

Karen Schuller said, in regard to all the machines a lady's husband let us have, that we could make them available to our members who might be looking for a new machine. She said once a year Copper Needle in Payson has a sale where they will take any machine, working or not, and give you \$500 off the purchase of a new machine in their store. You would have to find out when the sale is.

Upcoming Quilt Shows:

Feb. 16th & 17th - Happy Trails Quilt Show, Surprise, AZ Admission/Donation \$5

Feb. 24th & 25th - Palo Verde Patchers, Sun City West, AZ Admission \$5

March 2nd & 3rd - Quilters on Grand 15th Bi-Annual Quilt Show 2024, Sun City, AZ Admission \$5

March 8th & 9th - Quiltapalooza 2024 Quilt Show, Phoenix, AZ Admission \$5

March 21st, 22nd & 23rd - AZ Quilt Guild, Mesa, AZ Admission: AQG \$6, General Public \$12, \$6 for Thursday evening

Interviewees: Our interviewees this month were Karla Desrosiers and Pat Kaus. Thank you ladies.

Next month's interviewees will be Yuriko Zoller and, if she's in town, Karen Shepard.

Additional New Business from the floor:

After door prizes were awarded.

Our next business meeting will be Monday, March 4, 2024. Snacks at 9:00am and the meeting will begin at 9:30 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38am following a motion by Judy Inskeep and second by Renie Arrigo.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Adair, Secretary