

Q.U.I.L.T.S. General Membership Meeting May 2009

President Mary Ellen Grider opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Two new members, Dawn Adams and Marsha Smith, were introduced. Tonight's program will be presented by our guest Suzanne Marshall from Clayton, Missouri.

Program: Suzanne gave a slide show presentation. She started making quilts by trial and error - no classes. Suzanne's method of appliqué uses lined notebook paper for tracing and pattern placement, appliquéing each piece, cutting away background and outlining subject with embroidery. All of her quilts are hand quilted without a frame or hoop. She gets inspiration from various historical books, art work and magazines. Suzanne has won numerous awards for her quilts and workmanship. The "Art Nouveau Quilt" won best workmanship at AQS and it was also named one of the 20th Century Best of Quilts. She brought many of her wonderful quilts for everyone to see. There were patterns and a book for purchase. The workshop was scheduled the following day.

Brown Bag Results: Seven participants opened bags to display the projects they made each other which included wall hangings, table runner and table cloth.

Business: Minutes for April have yet to be distributed to members via e-mail; however, 19 postage mailings were completed. All previous monthly minutes not approved (February, March & April) will be presented for a vote in June.

Treasurer: Burma Jones provided treasurer's report. Balance as of 3/31/09 was \$14,050.59. Income is \$743 and expenses are \$353.40. Ending balance as of 4/30/09 is \$14,440.19. Report is approved subject to audit.

Programs & Workshops: Carol Kiel (Vice-president Elect) stated next workshop with Toby Lischko is "Curves without the Fuss". The full day workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10, 2009. Ten members have signed up so far.

New Business:

2010 Quilt Show: Co-chairs Lori McGowan and Jerry Gaston came up with an idea to make cards inviting people as a guest to our guild meeting. To let others know Springfield has a quilt guild, members are encouraged to pass out these cards.

Show and Tell: There were several quilts displayed by members.

Door Prizes: Drawing held and prizes distributed. 72 members signed in.

Next guild meeting will be held June 8, 2009

Next board meeting will be held on Monday, May 18, 2009 at 6:30p.m. (Panera's - westside)

Meeting adjourned at 8:50p.m.

Sunshine Person - Mary Ann Pohl (ph# 546-7972 or mpohl@illinoisalumni.org)

Submitted by Sandy Nielson
Secretary