

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

President Mary Ellen Grider opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. She announced tonight's program is a Snippets demonstration and celebration of guild's 25th anniversary. One guest, Cindy Howe, was introduced.

Business: Past minutes (March, April & May) need to be approved. A motion was made by Karen Lommler and seconded by Liz Crowley to approve all past minutes. PASSED

Mary Ellen announced the recent passing of two guild members, C. Joyce Boone (former member) and Marlene Gerhard (current member). With due respect, a moment of silence was held.

Treasurer: Burma Jones provided treasurer's report. Balance as of 4/30/09 was \$14,440.19. Income is \$768 and expenses are \$1,542.78. Ending balance as of 5/31/09 is \$13,665.41. Report is approved subject to audit.

Programs & Workshops: Carol Kiel (Vice-president Elect) has sign-up sheet for Toby Lischko's workshop. Cost is \$25 for full day workshop plus \$9 for kit. There are 7 or 8 openings remaining. Workshop is "Curves without the Fuss" scheduled Tuesday, November 10, 2009. Since class consists of machine appliqué circles, a sewing machine is required with a blind stitch or some other decorative stitch.

Carol wanted to reach out to Crafty Ol' Broads which was voted on last year for possible scheduling of workshop next year. Another person she will research is Kathy Kansier who teaches appliqué and embellishment. She also announced there are a few openings at Kinderhook retreat to be held July 16-19, 2009 (Cost \$225).

Silent auction of books will be postponed until after the guild's July garage sale.

Program: Jerry Gaston demonstrated the "Snippets" technique which was a workshop held in 2008 by Cindy Walters. This is a good project for people who do not like to measure. It is very free forming. It starts with a foundation fabric and then using Steam-A-Seam to adhere to small snippets of fabric or fussy cut fabrics to create your picture (flowers, landscape, etc.). Snippets can be arranged and rearranged, then set with iron. All over quilting can complete your project. Jerry displayed a few of her nice projects plus one belonging to Liz Crowley. For those who are interested, there are several "Snippets" books written by Cindy Walters.

Show & Tell: Carol Kiel suggested holding Show & Tell earlier so quilts and projects could be displayed on tables for members to view and ask questions. There were some very nice quilts and wall hangings.

Refreshments: This evening treats were cake and ice cream and fruit tray to honor the guild's birthday. Mary Ellen thanked Pat Mees, Mary Ann, Carol, Karen Lommler and Sandy Nielson for all their efforts in making it a nice event.

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New Business:

Next month is the annual garage sale. Michelle Ryan told members to bring their stuff to sell, but it must be marked with a price and name in order to keep track of money.

Things can be package together. There will be no pre-selling; an announcement will be made when sale starts. Money made will go to members who sold items. Also, you must take your unsold items home, otherwise it will become a door prize.

Door Prizes: Drawing held and prizes distributed. 43 members signed in.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10p.m.

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

Submitted by Sandy Nielson
Secretary