

Minutes of the November 20, 2020 Beachplum Quilters Guild Meeting

At 6:35 pm President Dona S. welcomed 28 participants to the meeting.

She asked if there were any changes to the October minutes as published on the Web site. Seeing no one indicating there was a change required, she got a motion from Mary P. and a second from Kristen A. to accept the minutes as published. Motion carried with a show of hands.

The Yard sale at Dona's house raised \$1700 for the Guild. Better yet, the remainder fit into the storage unit and Dona can put her car in her garage again! Since we still have quite a bit of 'stuff' left, current plans are for another yard sale in the spring. Also if you want fabric for Charity Quilts let Dona know.

• **Treasurer's Report-** (Debbie P.) Debbie reviewed income and expenses and the ending balance was \$9,441.45.

Dona reminded everyone the Dues are PAST DUE. If you have not done so, please send your dues to Jackie P. They were due by Oct 30th. Last Dona spoke to Jackie there were 61 members for the 2020-2021 term.

• **Charity Quilts-** Dona read to the group a thank you note from the Oregon group that was soliciting quilts for wildfire survivors. Richard Levin had sent 11 quilts to them. They were very appreciative of all the contributions we sent. Dona reminded everyone that charity kits are available at Crafty Fabrics.

Dona Said there has been no change on the status of the Guild not being able to meet at the church. Social distancing is still the problem along with increasing covid infection rates.

• **Programs-** The December 18 meeting program is with Brita Nelson, whom came highly recommended by the Rebecca's Reel Guild. The topic will be "Making Magic", a Disappearing Block Sampler Quilt. The virtual workshop for making that quilt will be held Saturday (Dec 19th), the day after the meeting. You will need to buy the pattern ahead of time from Brita Nelson's website <questioningquilter.com>. Enter Beachplum in the discount code and get 20% off. To reserve your spot in the class, please mail a \$20 check to Laurie S. by November 30th.

Dona thanked Pam Q. for volunteering to host the Bee meeting. Details are being sorted out and Dona will let everyone know with an email the schedule, probably once a month, day and time to be determined.

Similar to that, Laurie S. will be hosting a Zoom Sit n' Sew Saturday, 11/21/20, starting at 9 am. These smaller informal get togethers are a good way to reconnect, chat and maybe even get answers to quilting questions you might have.

The Beachplum website is secure. As of November 1st the site did not have an SSL Certificate but it is back in place and the site is secure.

Dona thanked everyone for the emails stating where guild assets are stored in their homes. If you find more while cleaning or getting for the holidays, please let her know.

• **Block of the Month-** (Dixie M. / Marcia G.) Connie S. won the first batch of 2020-2021 blocks, "Watercolor Log Cabin". Altogether 26 blocks were submitted.

• Show and Tell

-Barbara L. completed her "Fruit Basket" Block of the Month quilt.

-Emilie L. made a Charity Quilt using the upcoming BOM pattern "Upstairs, Downstairs"

-Janet P. displayed a microwave "Bowl Holder" She found the pattern on You Tube - "Soup Bowl Pot Holder".

-Kristen A. finished an older UFO, and thinks the back is more fun than the front!

-Ginger C. displayed her October 2019 BOM "Chandelier Quilt" (Blue Blocks) and also has finished two charity quilts.

-Erma H. just sent a finished quilt top out for quilting this morning.

-Sophie K. made two "Wash your Hands" wall hangings for her Great-Grandson's Day Care Center.

-Marcia G. showed us her "Grouchy Lady Bugs" Quilt and has definitely been busy quilting charity quilts.

-Jeanette M. has been sewing-but not quilting. She's working on Christmas Eve dresses for her Grandchildren.

-Donna D. had a King-size disappearing 4-patch quilt top. It's one of the blocks that will be done in the December workshop and she recommends a rotating cutting mat as a great help.

- Connie S. has a Granddaughter who is a Nursing Student, and likes bright colors, so she made her a Quilt using the "Batik Shadow" previous BOM pattern.
 - Peggy R. has been busy making masks and working on Counted Cross Stitch.
 - Sherre M. is finishing up a Broadway Shows T-Shirt Quilt. The client came in with 135 T-Shirts for her to work with, and there will be two quilts! Sherre said buying a heat press was well worth the investment for this job.
 - Debbie P. is working on a Pink and Daisies and butterflies applique quilt for her Niece's daughter.
 - Toni L. is finishing up a Halloween Quilt that was made from a deconstructed panel and put back together with lots of other pieces.
 - Marlene S. showed us a bright Sunflower patterned table runner.
 - Ann B. sent out two "Snowflake" 50"x50" wall hangings to be quilted today, one red/white and the other blue/white. She also had a GE Designs "Hope" quilt made with a charm pack of vibrant colors.
 - Carol C. has made and given away eight quilts as she recovers from knee replacement. She showed a work in progress of "Trucks" for her grandson.
 - Barbara E. has been busy sewing various projects, but not quilts!
 - Pat O. showed her work learned in a series of classes on ruler quilting by Angela Walters <quiltingismytherapy.com>. She's made much progress on learning to stitch many motifs. Pat is also making zippered pouches with masks and hand sanitizer inside.
 - Dina N. is finishing up a T-Shirt quilt for a friend this weekend. She's also keeping busy with "QuiltConcierge" her resource for quilters--find her on Facebook!
 - Dona S. made a quilt for her grandson that resulted in nine left over blocks that she really liked, so she's now got 90 squares to cut for the border of the quilt she made so those nine blocks didn't go to waste!
 - Laurie S. showed four quilts that were all variations of "3-Yard Quilts"--3 pieces of 1-yard fabric with good contrast that can be made into quilts quickly. One Quilt even had fabric she bought in Lancaster on the Guild's last shopping trip there a few years back.
- While she had the floor Laurie asked who might be attending the 11/21/20 Sit n' Sew. A few people mentioned the difficulty of their computers not being near their sewing set-up.
- Kristen A. asked if anyone was doing the Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt. A few clues to color have been given and more clues are to come, with the reveal in December <quiltville.com>
- Sherre M. mentioned that GE Designs also does quiltdongs on a weekly basis that are quick and easy to do.
- Laurie urge people to sign up for the Saturday, December 19 Disappearing Block Sampler Quilt workshop. November 30 is the registration deadline and you need to get the pattern and do some prep work for the workshop, but you may finish the Quilt top in the workshop time frame.
- At 7:35 pm Dona wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and the meeting was concluded.



November BoM blocks