

Friendship Knot Quilter's Guild General Meeting January 21, 2013

The January meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Cass Bowen. Members and guests were welcomed and asked to greet their neighbors. The new cottage group, FKQG River Quilters Bradenton and North were the hostesses tonight. Members were reminded to check the table in the entry hall for news about quilt shows and events.

The December meeting minutes have been posted to the web. Susan Arndt made a motion to approve the minutes as published, Alice Lichtenstein seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Newsletter deadline is January 24th, 2013. Please get information that you would like to have in the newsletter to Karla Lynch by January 24.

“Buddy Team”—Current members are encouraged to sign up to be a “buddy” to a new member. For the new members’ first three meetings, the buddy will introduce them to others, explain how things work: such as opportunities to get involved in taking classes—another great way to get to know others—and participate in cottage groups, Kids Quilts, the Quilt Show, library, etc. We want the new members to feel welcome and comfortable and see what a great organization we have, so please volunteer for this wonderful way to help out and make a new friend!

Membership Dues: Those who wish to enter a quilt in the upcoming quilt show must have paid their annual dues by tonight.

Induction of 1st Vice President: Kim Sherrod was inducted by Linda Pearce tonight, as Kim was unable to attend the December meeting. Kim gave a “pep talk” about participating in our wonderful classes and encouraged everyone to check out the offerings and go over to the table and see the information that will help you decide what classes you would like to take.

Library: Trish Bobeck told us about two new books available in our library. They are: 15 Minutes of Play and New York Beauty Simplified.

Quilt show News: Marlene Kurtz gave an update on the quilt show preparations. Members are needed for Set-up, Take-down, Ironing, and other tasks. Names are being taken tonight and also at next month’s meeting for these various committees. Members will be given wristbands at next month’s meeting for free entry into the quilt show. Question as to whether wristbands may be purchased in advance by members for others. Marlene will let members know at next month’s meeting. There are 36 “block sets” that will be for sale. “Small quilts” are still being accepted and would like to have at least 100 total. Boutique items are still wanted. Consignment forms (minimum price of \$25.00 for these items) are available.

Elva Farrell asked for volunteers to help her at the Farmers Market downtown when she is showing the raffle quilt and selling the tickets for it. She has taken it to Alma Sue’s Market on several Saturdays. February 6,7, and 8 the quilt will be displayed inside Alma Sue’s.

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Membership: Ann Greene reported that there are 179 people here tonight. There were 37 renewals and 21 guests.

Education: Kim Sherrod encouraged people to sign up for classes—check out the website for more information. It is a great way to make new friends!

Announcement: Linda Blasen needs volunteers to apprentice at judging. Those interested should contact Linda.

Program: Melody Crust gave her presentation on making unique borders (Borders: The Final Chapter) and had many examples both in a slide show and several quilts she brought to show us.

Show and Tell followed with many fabulous quilts for our viewing pleasure!

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Slocum, Secretary