

Minutes of Herring Run Quilt Guild meeting, May 6, 2017

President Charlie DiSante called the meeting to order at 9.37

- Charlie welcomed new members and guests from Australia
- Today is the annual election, for VP/Sunshine and Secretary. The candidates are Janet McGinty for VP and Jennifer Brown for a second year as secretary/clerk. Sue Riley seconded the motion and both candidates were elected unanimously by voice vote.
- Jen C. was unable to attend the meeting. Charlie read a thank you note from Diane Willson for the HRQG contribution in honor of her daughter, Shelly. Jen will give updates in June.
- Charlie noted that this is the last time she will be running the meeting! Jen Cannizzaro will take the lead as President in June.

Old Business:

- Jane Hewitt, **Treasurer**, that the Guild had a balance of just over \$20,000 in the bank at the start of this month. A donation of \$1,316 from the September HRQG 2016 show was sent to the Susan Komen Foundation. After expenses were paid, \$19,815 was in the account at month end. Detailed information was posted for those who wanted to review it
- Jennifer Brown, **Secretary**, the May minutes are complete – please check out the books she brought today and take what you find interesting
- Jen Cannizzaro, **Vice President** unable to attend.
- **2018 Quilt show** – The guild is still looking for a volunteer to be the Chair of the show committee for the 2018 show. Nancy Robertson said she would take it on if no-one else stood up. Kathy Rich volunteered to head up the Raffle Quilt, but will need someone else to do publicity, raffle etc. Please let Charlie know if you are interested
- NOTE: Dues, \$40 for full membership and \$20 for associate are due this month- last chance June mtg.

Committee Reports: Brief reports were given by Committee chairs.

- **Newsletter** – Anne Marie noted next deadline for submissions is end of July for the August edition. Cheers for another great newsletter
- **Membership** – Virginia reminded everyone to see her if they are not getting newsletters so that updates can be made to email addresses, phone numbers and street addresses. Membership does not know by magic! And reminded everyone that membership dues (\$40) are due today but will be accepted by the June meeting
- **Comfort Quilts** – Vivian encouraged everyone to keep stitching. If you have any completed please bring in June. Vivian and Deb will deliver them over the summer
- **Hospitality** – thanked everyone for the goodies for the social break and Ann Marie for the email reminder. Please bring your own cups to meetings and NO STYRAFOAM in the church garbage please
- **Historian** – Christine M. is working on it
- **Block of the Month** –Janine C provided the pattern for the June blocks, collected and drew for the May blocks in purple and white.
- **Quilters Basket** – the basket all sorts of goodies and was won by (Gina's Mum?? Name?)
- **Getaway Weekend** – Denise has booked the last weekend of April 2018 for our next Getaway, this time in Sturbridge! Check it out at <http://www.sturbridgehosthotel.com/> There are also a number of great quilt shops close by! More applause!
- **Library** – in Phyllis's absence, ?? requested that those with books out please return them by next month. There are new books in the library to check out.
- **UFO challenge** – Mary Ann picked #1

- **Programs** – Debra reported that there will be a yard sale at the June meeting. No selling or buying during the business meeting or Show and Tell. You will need to set up, clear up and take back what you have not sold.
- On Friday, September 8, we will have our first full-day Friday workshop with Pat Pauly a modern, paper piecing quilter. Cost will be \$75 per person. Sue Riley is managing sign ups today and will take the money.
- **NEQM liaison** –Mary Parker absent
- **Thayer Academy Team** – There was a small meeting of the team before the business meeting today. Chair, Lynne Anastos encouraged everyone to submit and noted that theme of the show, 'Not Your Average Quilt' should not be seen as limiting. Think about submitting your quilt, the one that you like the best! One submission per person. Quilts can be sold, all must be valued for insurance purposes. All quilts submitted for the show **MUST BE FINISHED**. This is a great opportunity for the guild.
Kathleen LeVallee must have the entry form and photo in hand by June 1, 2017 to be considered by the jury.

Show and Tell, included 30 people, 42 quilts and 6 other items! What a show each month!

Social Break: Thanks to all contributors.

Barbara Vedder gave a great slide show on Scrap Quilts and a trunk show of her lovely, prize winning quilts. Prizes include the American Quilters Society (Paducah) and the Vermont Quilt Festival. Her afternoon workshop on 'Liberated Houses' was great fun. Thanks to Barbara and Margo Driscoll for the awesome scraps that inspired us!

Respectfully submitted
Jennifer Brown, Secretary 2016/17