

HHQG Meeting March 25, 2024: Held over Zoom with the Guild account.

President-- Ida Jenkins: Ida started the meeting at 7:00 pm and welcomed the members to the Zoom meeting. She asked to have one of the members accept the minutes of the February 2024 meeting. The minutes were accepted by Maryann Ellwood and seconded by Irene Rushworth. Ida wanted to keep the business short tonight to have more time for our visiting speaker.

Vice President—Vacant: Ida encouraged the members to consider this position.

Secretary –Donna May: Nothing to report.

Barbara Shein-- Newsletter: Barbara noted that the deadline to contribute to the next newsletter is April 4th. Barbara explained that she will be going on a trip so needed the Newsletter submissions early. She thanked members that contributed items to the last Newsletter and encouraged more content. Melinda promised to submit the information for the April speaker.

Outreach --Irene Rushworth: Irene has yet to hear from three of the November meeting Outreach sewing groups. She asked that those members with these items let her know what their status is so that she can prepare batting and backings for the Outreach quilts. Details of the Outreach report can be found in the newsletter.

Treasurer—Irene Rushworth: There is a summary of the Guild accounts in the newsletter.

Membership—Margaret Newey: There were 26 members present at the meeting.

Website—Margaret Newey: Nothing to report.

Zoom-- Sew and Chat –Margaret Newey: This is not active currently.

Facebook—Margaret Newey: Nothing to report.

Library Convener—Vacant --Temporarily Jane Symmes: The library is being dismantled. The books are for sale. The list of books for sale is in the private area of the website. Jane was not present. There is detailed information explaining how to view and purchase the books in the Newsletter.

Workshop--Jane Symmes: Jane was unable to attend, (no access to zoom). Ida has agreed to give a workshop on choosing fabric combinations. Have you ever had difficulty making color or value decisions? Are you making too many extra blocks that just don't seem right and end up orphans? Ida has suggestions. The workshop will be held May 4th at the Optimist Club. Please let Ida know your interest and the details will follow.

Publicity Convener—vacant: Is there anyone interested in the role? Melinda asked for an explanation of the role. Ida explained that it is simply finding ways to promote the existence of the Guild to the public. This could be running an advertisement in a local paper. Giving business cards or pamphlets to quilt shops or other vendors to display. Having a table at a craft fair staffed with our members. Melinda mentioned that she gave Lisa Rossetti (former Publicity Convener) information about Titan Tech to try to get the business cards printed. Lisa had stated to Ida that Melinda was going to follow up with this, but Melinda clarified that this was not the case. This will be discussed further at the next executive meeting.

BOM—Vacant: Donna stated that she will take this role on for the next guild year. She hoped that people would be interested in making two blocks, one for Outreach and one to keep. Or perhaps the

second block could be added to a block draw. Like the fat quarter draw, you get a ticket for every block submitted and there is a draw at the meeting for the blocks. These are just ideas, and nothing has been decided.

Ida called for a 10 min break at 7:13

Program Convenor—Melinda Noble: Melinda introduced today's speaker Patti Carey from pattispatchwork.com. Patti is VP of Public Relations for Northcott Fabric. Her site is the home of the time-saving E-Z miter/lone star tool. Patti is a pattern designer, and these patterns are often designed to showcase Northcott lines. She likes working with Panels and ombre fabric. The talk tonight showcased many of her panel quilts, but also boarder stripes and medallions.

Questions:

Do you use a computer? Yes, I like EQ8. The Northcott web site has a product finder function that allows you to import fabric samples into your design program. The Northcott site will let you know which quilt shops have purchased a line and how much of it. A good feature if you are looking for a particular fabric.

Do you write patterns for magazines? Yes McCall's, Quiltmaker, Quilters World have all published patterns.

Do you write patterns out for the sample quilts? Yes, many of these patterns are for sale on the pattispatchwork.com site. The cost is about \$13.00 but there are multiple sizes for each pattern.

Irene asked if there could be a discount for members and Patti did very generously offer a 25% discount for her patterns on the website for 1 week with the code HHQG.

Irene presented Show and Share which featured quilts from Teresa, (the latest Bonnie Hunter Mystery quilt). Geri showed her Postcards, Ida showed a quilt made by Lorna. Lorna tested Ida's Amity quilt pattern. Ida showed a panel quilt with ombre fabric and birds, a popcorn scrap buster, the Cathedral window workshop project became a purple and green frog NICU quilt and a Taxis Braid quilt. Great job ladies! Ida encouraged the members to bring their projects for Show and Share at the April 22 meeting, in person, at the Optimist Cub. (13439 Highway 7 Limehouse)

The next scheduled executive meeting is May 6th. Ida adjourned the meeting at 8:45.

Submitted April 2 by Donna May