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President's Corner

It's hard to believe that the year is coming to an end and that 2023 is upon us. Taking just a moment to reflect on 2022, we have had some wonderful members move away and some have passed away, leaving us with warm memories and saddened hearts. I can honestly say, I would not be here today, if it wasn't for my mother-in-law, Maureen Forster. A godly, witty woman with a loving and kind heart; an incredibly talented master quilter. I will miss mom dearly, and I know you will too. On the brighter side, it's been a joy to get to know you, to see all the new faces joining the ranks of our guild and to have had the opportunity to celebrate those with over 20 years membership. Considering all the challenges, we've had a great year with a delightful retreat, fantastic raffle quilt ticket sales, a favorable dual-sponsored quilt congress and a new location in which to meet and possibly call home.

As your 2023 President and part of this guild, I want to encourage you to remember that we can all contribute and help in some way. The amount of talent, skill and knowledge among our membership is awe-inspiring. My hope is that differences will be set aside, that we set our sights on becoming an even better guild while going through some inevitable changes, and that we reset our focus on the goal of fulfilling our mission: to preserve, promote, share and teach the art of quilting. I know there are members that have served for many years, in many different ways and have had need to pass the baton. We are still in need of your input and participation. That's how we keep our mission alive: we pass on the skills and knowledge, but also the cherished encouragement. We need to reach out to those that are interested in learning the art of quilting, those wanting to grow their skills while creating a welcoming atmosphere of companionship.

There will be, as always, many suggestions and recommendations to be presented and many decisions to be made. As President, I want to know what your thoughts are so please feel free to share them with me. Your 2023 Board of Directors will work together as a team to make this year a memorable one!

Best wishes,

Rosita Forster

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!

General Meeting - January 13, 9:30 am

Bring your sewing machines on January 13th to work on Community Quilts after the meeting.

Material Girls – Bull Shoals Library Annex, 10 am – January 26

HILL 'N HOLLOW QUILTERS GUILD MEETING MINUTES - December 9, 2022

President Ann Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:30a.m.

Welcome: All attendees were welcomed by Ann.

Announcements: Attention was directed to the Challenge Quilt voting area in the back of the room, the Silent Auction, the 2023 Quilt Show Survey, as well as the special Holiday Luncheon to happen at the Break.

New Members/Guests: 61 attendees and 5 guests.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Celebrated with well wishes and cupcakes.

Approval of November Minutes: Motion: Barb Jaeger. Seconded: Roxine Burch.

Treasurer's Report: Jodi McCray. After discussion, filed for audit.

2023 Board of Director (Officers) Positions:

- President – Rosita Forster
- President Elect – Angie Lindberg
- Vice President – Eileen Burg
- Treasurer – Celine Kingsland
- Secretary – Vicki Bynum (Temporary)

President's Quilt Presentation: Outgoing President, Ann Wilson, was presented with a beautiful blue quilt, whose blocks were made and signed by guild members, in appreciation for her service.

2023 Committee Chairs:

- Audit – Carol Lewis
- Communications – Peggy Moody
- Community Quilts – Sandy Beasley
- Education – Roxine Burch
- Hospitality – Gail Hillyard and Ann Maus
- Membership – Rita Bergstrom and Judith Ericksen

Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales – Patti Kratz

Raffle Quilt Venues – OPEN

2023 Quilt Retreat: Ginger Alexander announced the Branson Quilt Retreat that is slated to begin March 6th still has room for member signups. Non-members may sign up beginning January 1, 2023. Any outstanding registration balances will be due at the January guild meeting. It is recommended that attendees should call the hotel now and make lodging arrangements (see website for all lodging and pricing details). There is a limit of 50 people, and approximately 30 members have signed up.

January Community Quilt Sew-In: Sandy Beasley and Eileen Burg. Announcement: All are invited to bring their sewing machines to the January meeting for a Sew-In of community quilts beginning at 1p.m. Sandy Beasley encouraged members to use the plethora of donated fabric to make community quilts. Charity Beckley gave out 3 community quilts that needed binding.

Education: Roxine Burch asked for Program Chair and Head of Members Teaching Members, as well as a Quilt Challenge Chairperson. The question was asked, “What kind of classes do people want at MTM?” Any suggestions are to be emailed to Roxine.

Membership List: Rosita Forster said the membership list will be tweaked to accommodate those people preferring US postal service over digital.

Raffle Quilt: Cindy Albright said the queen-sized Raffle Quilt by Mod Squad is in progress, which is due in March 2023. They are in search of a quilter who can put a modern twist on it.

2023 Quilt Show Survey: Vicki Kauth collected the surveys and presented the tallies. The results showed most in favor of a 2-day show, non-judged, with increased admission price, and potential Country Store and/or Garage Sale. After discussion and in light of the number of volunteers still needed, including a Quilt Show Chair, the **MOTION** was made by Jodi McCray and seconded by Roxine Burch and Ginger Alexander for a proposed 2-day, non-judged show, contingent on volunteers secured by the January meeting. Vicki Kauth will coordinate the volunteers list until the next meeting.

Program: Recognition of Long-Time Members, 20+ Years, with presentation of special, custom-designed pins and a lovely luncheon spread including a large chocolate/vanilla sheet cake made by guild member Mona Bolen. (See attached list of recognized members).

Break

Challenge: 2022 “Favorite Season in the Ozarks” Challenge Winner, by Diane Siddons. First Place winner, Mary Jo Smith. Second Place, Sue Herron. Third Place, Roxine Burch.

Community Quilt Parade: A lovely parade was enjoyed.

Show & Tell: Beautiful works of art were shown and explained.

Door Prizes: Mary Jo Smith and Gail Lunn won door prizes (fabric bundles).

50/50 Drawing: Sue Herron won \$26.

Silent Auction Item: Donna Perrin had the winning bid for the leftover fabric from 2023 Raffle Quilt.

Motion: by Eileen Burg and seconded by Vicki Kauth that we adjourn.
Adjourned at 12:00 Noon.

NEXT MEETING: January 13, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Loretta Zortman, Temporary Secretary

MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues are to be paid by January 15 and the January 13th meeting is a good time to do it. If you wish to use the US Mail, send to Hill 'N Hollow Quilters Guild, PO Box 1005, Mountain Home, AR 72653 or to Carol Lewis, 1238 Willowbrook Road, Mountain Home, AR 72653.

Checks should be made payable to Hill 'N Hollow Quilters Guild, and be sure to complete the membership form found on the website.

Judith and Rita are dealing with some medical issues, so I'll be taking care of the dues through January for them.

Carol Lewis



The guild honored its members who have belonged for 20 years or over. Many served in leadership positions, and are a treasure to us. (Front l-r) Gail House, Donna Bohaty, Betty Pulver, Bonita Ratzel; Middle (l-r) Carol Lewis, Ann Maus, Laura Norman, Gail Hunger; Back (l-r) Jan Lawsen, Pat Stripeik, Annie Wager, Sue Schaffler (behind Ann), Emily Duncan, Suzanne McFarland, and Barb Skeffington.

Go to the Hill 'N Hollow website to read the article from the Baxter Bulletin.

Challenge Quilt 2022 Winners

I ran around grabbing anything our members brought that might fit into our Challenge “My Favorite Season in the Ozarks” because no one submitted anything!!!! I am so grateful to those who “allowed” me to put their work on display and to be voted on. Here are the winners and their beautiful quilts.

Mary Jo Smith's wool applique' won First Place in our 2022 Guild Challenge--"Favorite Season in the Ozarks." Congratulations!



Sue Herron won Second place with this stunning quilt that has over 7,000 pieces!





Roxine Burch won Third place with the BACK of her quilt!!!!!! Beautiful strips of floral prints!

Challenge Quilt 2023

Please give me some ideas of challenges you would be willing to participate in. Bring those suggestions to the January or email them to me at famtracer@yahoo.com. – Thanks! Diane Siddons

Communications

Warm thanks to Carolyn Bisbee (Website helper) and Donna Perrin (Photographer helper) as well as my regulars of Gail Hillyard (Sunshine and Shadow) and Vicki Kauth (Media at meetings). Special thanks to Diane Siddons and Sharon Crozier for taking on the mantle of the Newsletter each month. Carol Lewis spearheaded the Public Relations (PR) efforts for Quilt Congress with articles to Baxter Bulletin, Facebook posts and emails out to other news outlets. This 2023 Quilt Show year, I volunteered to Chair PR and will look for help from all committees so I can get info out to the public to stir up interest in attending. I balance internal communications, website, Board Meetings, as well as keeping historical record of the year's documents and photos for our archive. As you members see stories, please alert me and Diane/Sharon so we can keep members informed. Mele Kalikimaka and Hau'ole Maka Hiki Hou (Merry Christmas and Happy New Year).

Peggy Moody