



2019

Note from the President -

With wet and cool weather on the weekends my sewing machine certainly gets revved up! While I'm getting lots done, nothing much is getting finished...I guess that means I have too many projects in the works. At the same time, my creative juices get a work out when I can skip around from project to project, using different techniques and different color palettes. Anyway, I'm enjoying myself and I hope you all are, too!

Happy quilting to all!

Janet



Minutes of Monthly Meeting

February 5, 2018

Janet called the meeting to order. There were 40 guild member in attendance and one visitor, Trish Williamson. A motion was made to accept the minutes as published in the January newsletter. All were in favor and the minutes were accepted.

Reminders - the next Sit n' Sew will be Saturday, March 9th at the MS State Extension building.

Sunshine report - 3 birthday cards, 1 get well, 2 sympathy, 6 welcome and 3 thank you cards to past guild officers were mailed out in February by Judy Robbins and reported by Sarah McCormick.

Treasurer report by Missy Lee, our current balance is \$3,949.78. Reminder that 2019 dues are due at the March meeting as well as signing up for the 2019 UFO challenge.

Our guild is looking for a volunteer to serve as our historian. Please speak with Janet if you would like to hold this position.

MQA Update - the Spring meeting is this coming weekend, February 7th and 8th at Lake Tiak O' Khata in Lewisville, MS. Hopefully you have registered and have plans to attend.

Marilyn Rose informed us of a class opportunity, GSQA will host M. J. Kimmon the end of July to teach "bit-size" gems. Marilyn had her blocks to show us.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting continued

Lucy Large continues to work with Linda at the Brandon Library on the Quilt of Valor display. We have 20 quilts that have been volunteered to display. It was reported that the Quilt of Valor organization has record of 210,760 quilts that they have received and given to our veterans. Our guild recommends registering quilts that you have made for family members with the Quilts of Valor organization to be included in their count. The giving does not have to be done through QV.



Those that have quilts to be displayed are to bring them to our March meeting. A sleeve is not required on these quilts. They will be displayed on quilt racks.

Quilting of our community quilts was then discussed. Kathleen Greer, member of our guild has graciously been quilting these quilts for our guild for some time. The guild recommends paying quilters in the future for their work. After discussions Cindy Pannier made a motion that the guild pay up to \$500 annually for the quilting of our community quilts. This motion was voted on and approved.

Discussions were held on a t-shirt for Brandon quilters; Teal as the color of the shirt was unanimously voted on. The state of Mississippi quilt block will be incorporated in the design of our logo (similar to picture on the right) A small logo will be on the front of the t-shirt (breast pocket area) and a large logo on the back. Designs and costs will be researched and discussed during a future meeting.



Debbie Wilson, then discussed the February block for our Block of the Month quilt, showing her example and giving tips. Other members had brought their January blocks in for us to see.

Janet then introduced the night's program - a block swap. Those that participating brought completed quilt blocks in a brown paper bag. The swapping was similar to a "dirty Santa" where the first name drawn was given to opportunity to "steal" the block of her choice at the end of the swapping. A great time was had by all.

There being no other business, Sew-n-Tell was presented with UFO's and new projects by our members.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Submitted by:

Patricia Welsch, Secretary-Newsletter

**Our March
program
will be
presented by Joan Alliston
on migrating geese.**



Block Swap



Dot was the 1st to select a block and managed to get her original choice back at the end of the game. A good time was had by all.



All "Block Swap" participants are to make any item of their choice with their block and bring it back to show the guild. It can be incorporated into a quilt, made into a tote bag or pot holder, the options are endless. (Above photos are just a few of blocks that were swapped)

UFO's



Churn Dash,
Kathleen Greer



Metro Rings, Debbie Wilson



Stars
by Kim Cook
Shown by
Kathleen Greer



UFO's continued -



Sarah Ketchum - Pinwheels in My Garden, Charm Bag and Country French

Sew n' Tell



Marilyn Rose, Amy Schwalm, Diane McLendon and Missy Lee, showing fabric bowls made from clothesline wrapped with fabric strips and sewn by machine. Southern Fabric Artists had a class this month at their quarterly meeting.



Marilyn Rose - Dragon wall hanging, Jane quilt top and Fractured Amaryllis

Sew n' Tell continued -



Delene Browning -
Baby quilt



Polly Duggan -
Baby quilt



Diane Carey -
Rectangle & Squares

Block of the Month



Block #2- Flying Geese Star. This is Debbie's sample. Instructions and templates were distributed to all that are participating.

Below are several samples from guild members of the January block.



Reminders -

- Dues are due at the March 4th meeting
- 2019 UFO Challenge form is due the March 4th meeting

Registration will begin for the September 26th - 30th Brandon Quilters Annual retreat at Lake Tiak O'Khata. This is a great way to time to get caught up on those UFO's or work on a new project. Great fellowship and not to mention the great meals each day. You are not required to attend all four days.



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March—National Quilting Month



Mark your calendar -

March 4th—Guild meeting, 6:00 p.m., Brandon Library
March 9th—Sit-n-Sew at the MS State Extension Office