

# February 2017

Sewful Greetings!

Oh, what a great program! I learned something from each one of you knowledgeable ladies. We are never too old to learn. Now, if I can remember to use my new found knowledge next time. That is what our guild is all about, helping others to learn and stretch their skills and improve our quilting and sewing abilities. If you start right, and keep at it, you will end right. I believe that is what each of us wants with our quilting hobby (and I hesitate to say hobby.) It is more than that to me, it is a stress reliever and each project is worthy of my time. Why bother if you aren't going to be happy with the end product? If you are like me, that little thing you did or didn't do right will haunt you and then you will always know it's there and you will never feel as good as you want with your completed quilt. The older I get the more I see that as "important." I suppose that comes with time and personality improvements. Make it a great year! See you at the next meeting, March 6<sup>th</sup>.



Joan Alliston demonstrated how to sew and cut more accurately.



Lucy Large demonstrated various binding techniques.



Cindy Pannier spoke on color and color combinations.

Three great quilters shared their knowledge during our February meeting. We divided into three groups and spent 10 minutes with each quilter at her station sharing her craft. Much information was shared and many questions answered. No better way to learn than from those with experience and love for the same craft.

## Minutes of Monthly Meeting

### February 6, 2017

President Debbie Wilson called the meeting to order. There were 41 members in attendance, 2 visitors, Arika Roy and Shelley Taylor

Motion to accept the January's minutes as published in the newsletter were approved by Delene Browning and seconded.

Missy Lee presented the Treasurer's report. Judy Robbins was not present for a Sunshine report.

March is National Quilt Month, quilters are asked to bring quilts and quilt racks to the Brandon Library to be displayed during the month and into April. Marilyn Rose mentioned Quilt Day on Saturday April 8th at the Mississippi Craft Guild building and requested our participation in sharing any form of quilting. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Lucy Large gave this month's MQA report, reminding everyone that the MQA Spring gathering will be held on February 17th and 18th in the Rankin County Emergency Building. Registration will begin at 4:30 and entertainment will be provided by the Mustard Seed Hand Bell Choir. Saturday's program starts at 9:00, but come early to visit the 4 vendors that will be present for shopping. Being the 25th anniversary celebration of MQA, past presidents will be recognized. If you are not a member of MQA, you are encouraged to join. Membership is only \$15 per year (March to March) and membership allows you to attend the June gathering when great classes will be available.

We were reminded the deadline for turning in our 2017 UFO Challenge forms is during our March 6th meeting.

Our March program will be on entering quilts in Quilt Shows.

We were reminded of Marilyn Rose's Scrappy Bargello class being held during Sit and Sew held at the Mississippi Extension building on Saturday, February 11th at the cost of \$25.00.

Information concerning the purchase of a camera for the guild has yet to be gathered and will be brought up again at a later meeting.

We then divided into three groups and learned tips on cutting and accurate seams, binding and color. Each group had 10 minutes at each station.

Community quilts and Sew and Tell were shared, and the meeting was adjourned.

## Community Quilts



Polly Dugan—Pink and Lavender Star



Ann Fox—Row Block  
Puppy Dog



Linda McGill—Rag Quilt



# UFO Quilts



**Ann McDonald -  
Yellow Brick Road**



**Billie Thompson-Mystery Quilt**



**Cindy Pannier  
Luscious Layers-Squares  
And Shaded Nine Patch**



**Missie Lee-Mickey Dupre class  
Carnival**



# Sew & Tell



**Marlene Bailey—Flying Geese**



**Betty McGee  
Mermaid Wall hanging**



**Robbie Wise—Charlotte's Quilt**



**Marilyn Rose—Labyrinth Walk**



**Cynthia Simpson  
Dresden Checker Board**



**Amy Schwalm—Log Cabin**





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### Reminders and Dates -

Sit n' Sew on March 11th, lunch will be provided for those who work on Community Quilts. Please contact Sarah McCormick so that a headcount can be established.

**Volunteers needed for a special event April 22<sup>nd</sup>, "Celebration of Spring", being held at the Brandon Library. We will set up a quilting station for that day and demonstrate the art of quilting (any form).**

September Retreat forms are available on the Brandon Quilters website.

**Barn Quilts** from the class held at the Brandon Library in January and taught by our own Jo Patterson.

