

MAY 2018

Sewful Greetings!

A big thanks to Lucy for sharing mitered borders and flanges with us at our May meeting. There is always something to learn. Let's take what we've learned and use it to make our quilts unique and more beautiful. As summer draws near it seems that we spend more time outside, keep safe and hydrated. Look forward to seeing you at the MQA June gathering. May your fingers be nimble and thoughts focused. Don't forget to complete and mail those surveys. It only takes a few minutes.

Sew on!

Debbie Wilson



Minutes of Monthly Meeting

May 7, 2018

The meeting was called to order by our President, Debbie Wilson. There were 27 guild members present including returning members—Linda Colson and Nita Stone. We also had 2 visitors, Melissa Crawford and Cheri Searles that joined our guild tonight.

Debbie informed us of a California professor that is seeking quilters to participate in a "Quilting and Copyright" questionnaire. Questionnaires are available to pick up and review. Participation requested but not required. Short easy questions with self address/stamped envelope included for easy returning of the questionnaire—see Sarah's table to pick up.

Debbie introduced our program speaker, Lucy Large to give advice on piping and mitered borders.

Missy Lee then gave the treasury report and our current balance is \$3,732.58, (after retreat payment of \$1,068.00 had been submitted)

Reminders of the upcoming MQA June gathering on June 1st and 2nd were shared. Bonnie Hunter classes are to be held on May 31st, June 1st and 2nd; she will have a Trunk Show on that Friday night.

Sew and tell was shared and then the meeting was adjourned.

Piping and mitered borders

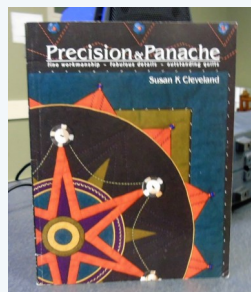
Helpful hints included -

- Before adding piping stitch 1/4 all around the quilt
- Mark all 4 corners of the quilt, 1/4 on both sides of corners
- When pinning piping, pin in far enough that pins will not be in your in the way of machine's foot when sewing and pin in the direction you are sewing for easy removal

Double Piping using polyester cording

- 3/16" cording is Lucy's favorite
- 2" or 1 1/2" fabric strips cut on the bias
- Run glue stick down the center of the fabric strip to hold the cording in place
- Use you sewing machine's open toe foot
- Use red thread
- Sew to the body of the quilt on the top of the quilt

Lucy recommended cutting binding for quilts at 2 1/4" wide and 1 3/4" wide for smaller projects.



Helpful tool suggestion—Grovin' Piping Trimming Tool by Susan K. Cleveland. And helpful books for reference "Secrets of Impeccable Piecing" and "Precision & Panache" both by Susan K. Cleveland

Marilyn Rose shared the ribbons she had the pleasure of winning from the Gulf States Quilt Show that was held in April— Great job Marilyn! Great representation for our area guilds.



Community Quilts

Marcella Comans -
Monkey Rag Quilt



Sew & Tell—UFO's



Renea Greene -
Diamonds Are Forever
A Joan Alliston Class



Robbie Wise & Rebekka -
Log Cabin (Little House
on the Prairie fabrics)



Billie Thompson -
Singing in the Rain and
Bloom Creek



Sew & Tell—



Missy Lee—Self Portrait



Dianne Carey—Baby Rings



Ann Fox—Anchor



Renea Greene—
Galaxy-Baby Quilt



Billie Thompson—
Butterfly Baby (repair)



Janet Lindsey—
Angel Baby



Medina Richards—
Sewanee tigers rag quilt



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Reminders and Dates -

May 31st, June 1st and 2nd— Classes with National Teacher, Bonnie Hunter; Friday June 1st, Bonnie Hunter Trunk Show

June 1st and 2nd— MQA June Gathering at Christ United Methodist Church

June 8th— Sit-n-Sew, MS State Extension Office

October 5th & 6th— Pine Belt Quilt Show; Hattiesburg, MS

September 27-30— Brandon Quilters Fall Quilt Retreat at Lake Tiak O'Khata