

BLACK SWAMP QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes

January 11, 2012

1. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Marilyn Riewaldt in the back room of the Simpson Building, Bowling Green, Ohio.
2. Introductions: one new member.
3. Treasurer's Report was reviewed and filed for audit.
4. Reports of Boards and Committees.
 - a. Newsletter -- Marge Hufford would like members to please give her items to include in the newsletter by January 25th.
 - b. Website – Carol Harper reported that the web URL renewal “Black Swamp Quilters” was paid.
 - c. Challenge Committee
 - i. UFO monthly drawings-- Janette Willman reported that member Laurene Hoskinson is a resident of Bridge Hospice Care Center, 1069 Klotz Rd, Bowling Green 43402 due to her inability to walk and she can no longer live in her home. She asked Janette to help her daughter pack up her sewing studio and as part of Laurene's wishes all her fabrics, books, and quilting supplies are to be distributed to the members of the guild. Janette has packaged her fabrics into kits that will be used by the 2012 program committee for door prizes for the UFO challenge each month. In addition, there are many other quilting supplies that will be given away each month throughout the year using games, drawings or raffles according to Laurene's wishes.
 - ii. 2012 Bimonthly Mystery Quilt is a Cheryl Petreman quilt. Joan Jaffray explained that the guild has Cheryl's permission to use the design and to post the instructions on our website. The instructions provide 3 different sizes.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Holiday Luncheon was held December 10th.
6. New Business:
 - a. Challenge Committee
 - i. Red/White/Blue Blocks were gathered prior to the meeting and everyone was given a ticket for each block given. Six tickets were drawn and each winner received a set of donated blocks to take home and do whatever they wanted with them. The group would love to see the finished project.
 - b. Program Committee
 - i. Fat quarter exchange January was Civil War fabrics. Each member was asked to bring a fat quarter (or as many as you like) of good quality quilt shop fabric. A ticket was given for each fat quarter that was brought and they were bundled into groups given away. February is plaid/stripe fat quarter.
 - c. Block of the month
 - i. Carol Ballard offered a free block of the month. The instructor will be teaching a new technique each month. Carol showed her January Slashing blocks and, invited the group to join her by signing up at www.craftsy.com to participate.
 - d. Quilts of Valor
 - i. Shari Wiseman group received a donation to purchase a photo picture frame. She has loaded photos of over 300 quilts donated to the Veteran Hospital. Shari brought the picture frame if anyone would like to see the photos after the meeting.
 - e. Sunset Retirement Communities
 - i. A letter was received inviting to share our quilt-making talents with the community at their First Annual Quilt Exhibit, “Thread to Thread.” The exhibit will serve to increase awareness and offer great community pleasure. The exhibit will be Saturday, February 18th from 10am to 4pm at the Sunset House on Indian Road in Toledo.
7. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.
8. Program: Feb 5 Challenge Revealed
9. Show and Tell

Upcoming and Out of Town Adventures

- February 18, 2012 – Sunset Retirement Communities, 4040 Indian Road, Toledo, OH 43606
- March 1, 2 & 3 2012 – Indiana Heritage Quilt Show www.ihqs.org
- March 15, 2012 – Ami Simms presents “How NOT to Make a Prizewinning Quilt” at the Gathering of Quilters meeting. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Elks Club, 3520 Holland-Sylvania (between Central and Sylvania) in Sylvania. \$10 guest fee.
- March 17, 2012 – The Gathering of Quilters 2012 Quilt Show. www.noblenimblethimbles.com
- March 29-31, 2012 – Sewing Expo, Cleveland Expo Center <http://www.sewingexpo.com/ClevelandOH.aspx>
- April 13-15, 2012 -- International Quilt Festival, Cincinnati Ohio
<http://www.quilts.com/newHome/shows/viewer.php?page=SpringFestival>
- May 1-6, 2012 -- Sauder Village 36th Annual Quilt Show www.saudervillage.org/creativity/quilt
- June 14-16, 2012 – NQA Show, Columbus, OH <http://nqaquilts.org/2012show>
- July 28-29, 2012 – Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild Show, Ann Arbor, MI
http://www.gaagg.com/sw_schedule.html
- August 22-25, 2012 -- American Quilter’s Society, Grand Rapids, MI
http://www.americanquilter.com/quilt_world/news_view.php?id=165
- September 28-30, 2012 – Novi Sewing Show, Novi Michigan <http://www.americansewingexpo.com/>