

Minutes of the May 21, 2021 Beachplum Quilters Guild Meeting

President Dona S. opened the Zoom Meeting at 6:37 pm. At that time there were 24 participants.

Dona lit a candle to honor the birthdays for May: Barbara E. and Pat L.

Dona S. was pleased to announce the May 15 Yard Fabric (and more) Sale was a huge success on many fronts! It was a lovely day weather wise, it was wonderful to see and talk with so many of the members, and the Guild raised \$3,554.00. Dona gave many thanks to both workers and members for their support. Dona also offered heartfelt thanks to Ann B. and her husband Bob, who let the guild overtake their garage for a few months. While a number of bins were emptied, we still have quite a bit left. Mary P. has offered the use of her driveway during the Island Heights Community Yard Sale on Saturday, June 19th. This is a wonderful opportunity to whittle down even more the material and notions that need to be stored. The Guild storage unit has a little bit of room left but not much. Mary Lou G. took 5 bins of yarns to St. Luke's Church for charity items to be made, so the yarn left is "fancier" types, so that may go at a yard sale. Coordination will have to be made to pick up items at Ann B.'s on Thursday, June 17th (Friday the 18th is our meeting) and then distribution at Mary P.'s on Saturday.

- **Placemats for Meals on Wheels** (Ginger C. and Dina N.) Dina announced that our goal had been reached and exceeded. She has close to 150 placemats, and every time she counts them up it turns out more are left at Crafty Fabrics. This could be an ongoing project, so the placemat bin is going to be left at Crafty Fabrics and we can discuss another round of distribution with the next large batch.

Dona S. reported that Charity Quilts will need a new Chairperson next year. Juanita G. has volunteered to help in any pick up or delivery needed. Someone needs to act as the coordinator: Store quilts safely; keep "inventory" so if a needs call comes in we can rapidly distribute; make sure that the makers have labels and all the quilts are labeled. Jeannette M. said record-keeping is necessary to track who has made donations, and where quilts have gone. Marcia G. quilts many of the charity quilts and has a lot of batting from Alice M., but you must provide the quilt top and backing (properly prepared), and make sure your name is on it as it will be returned to you for binding. Carol C. is interested in working on this endeavor. Jeannette M. is willing review tasks with her and Juanita. Ginger C. questioned Marcia if any of the batting from Alice M. was small and could be used for placemats. Marcia assured her there were smaller pieces and will try to get them to Crafty Fabric or another location so it can be used for this purpose.

Minutes as published on the web-Dona called for any amendments or corrections needed? Carol C. noted that she won the April BOM "Lombard Street" and it was not recorded. As there were no other corrections, Dona asked for a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Pam Q. made such motion and Debbie P. seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands.

Earlier in the day Dona spoke to Ellen H. for an update on resuming meetings at the Church-Best guess is in the Fall barring any changes in COVID status. It was questioned will we require attendees to provide proof of vaccination, as not everyone may choose to do so and we cannot socially distance in the room we meet in. Perhaps the Church will have guidelines we have to follow? Laurie S. was worried that asking for proof of vaccination was a HIPAA violation. Sherre M. said she had heard it wasn't, HIPAA doesn't apply because it prevents a third party (like a doctor or an insurance company) from giving out your private health information without your permission, but you can disclose what you want to or not.

- **Treasurer's Report/ Budget** (Debbie P.) Debbie read the report for May. The ending balance was \$7,288.96

- **Programs** Next Sit ;N Sew is Saturday, June 12, 2021. Zoom info will be sent by email closer to the date

- **Block of the Month** (Dixie M. and Marcia G.) 19 "Pinwheel" blocks were turned in and Marcia said the colors were so amazing and fun! Dixie drew Mary P. as the lucky recipient of these blocks.

Dona broached the subject of a Quilt show in 2022. She was more and more hopeful it would happen, but first off all the positions need to be filled, and we have to start "revving up" soon. Kathleen C. will not be able to act as chairman since her move to Florida, so many loose ends need to be tightened up. Dina N. and Erma H. said they would continue as Vendor Coordinator and Registration Chair, respectively. Donna D. displayed an On-point Scrappy Nine-Patch that was made as one of two raffle quilts. The second quilt will also be a pieced quilt in blues and grays, with a more modern vibe. It was decided to go with two simpler traditional pieced quilts this year to double the options of winning and give the first winner their choice of traditional or modern.

• Show and Tell

- Dona S. had 4 Charity Quilts that she picked up at Crafty Fabric to Show. Three were from Sherre M. (2 Turquoise and a "Buggy Fabric" Orange one; and a Purple quilt with no name on it.
- Marcia G. had a project in the works that she was creating with her embroidery machine. It was a red, white and blue Table Topper.
- Toni G. had a 3-Yard quilt with dogs in the main panels. She's probably going to donate the quilt to the shelter she works with.
- Dianne W. bought a book "Some Kind of Wonderful" and was making applique and embroidery blocks of 'favorite things'--tea cups, old jeans, birds, sunny days. She's about half-way done.
- Sherre M. showed a picture of the Quilt she made as a shop sample-made with brightly colored snails trails blocks.
- Carol C. showed her finished "Masquerade" (Debbie Kalenty Hunter Star class) table runner. She also had a finished BOM quilt from Connecting Threads.
- Donna D. displayed her "Masquerade" table runner, but she used a larger block size than the rest of the class.
- Jeannette M. showed a quilt she made for her daughter's 21st birthday called "Turning 21". The quilt is made with 21 different fabrics and Jeannette used all fabrics with stars because her daughters name is Esther.
- Emilie S. showed a small quilt with an American Kestrel featured, and a quilt top made of Jelly roll scraps which she picked up at the yard sale.
- Terry P. has been making beachy quilts recently and showed us a wall hanging with brightly colored, frayed edge beach balls.
- Laurie S. showed us the pieces of the Debbie Kalenty pattern "Thankful Stars" that she was working on.
- Ann B. had a work in progress behind her, being made from a layer cake.

Dona S. ended the evening showing her new "pup" Theo, an older long-haired Dachshund who was in need of a new home. They looked perfectly happy together! Congrats to Theo for finding such a good and loving home.

At 7:34 pm President Dona S. concluded the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna DeAngelis
Recording Secretary

