

St. Croix International Quilter's
Business Meeting June 19, 2019

The meeting began with a welcome to all guests including representatives of Charlotte County, NB Hospice and Downeast Hospice. Kathy Jackson and Susan Schearer of Charlotte County and Barbara Barnett of Downeast Hospice accepted the donation from the chapter of 41 quilts to be given to hospice patients. After the chapter officers helped load the quilts into the vehicles of the visitors, the business meeting commenced.

Jane Eaton read the minutes of the May 15, 2019 meeting. On motion by Anita Johnson and second by Rita Stewart the motion to accept the minutes was passed.

President Bonnie Hunter presented the Treasurer's report on behalf of Mary Ann O'Brien, reporting an overall balance of \$850.33. There is a deficit in the hospice account.

Old Business: Feztival of Trees. Anita is still collecting items for this event.

Jude Clark reported on the raffle of the 18" doll. She has posted on Facebook pictures of the doll in her many various outfits. Tickets are available from Jude until July 28 when the winning ticket will be drawn at the Grand Lake Stream Folk Festival.

Grand Lake Stream Folk Festival Quilt Display: Julie Jordan accepted quilts for display at the festival and will accept more at next

month's business meeting. Bonnie warned that there can be no sale of Canadian quilts at the Festival but that the attendants at the display will provide information to prospective buyers about how to get in touch with a Canadian who wishes to sell a quilt.

Raffle quilt for 2020 quilt show: Dove in the Window workshops will be June 22 and July 6. Please sign up.

Lynda Duplissea accepted the items made for the Chapter Challenge for the state show in July. These were revealed by their makers at Show and Tell.

Lynda Duplissea reported that attendance at the Area 5 meeting in Columbia in May was very poor and disappointing to the hosts from Downeast Quilters who made a lot of effort.

Bonnie announced that the chapter needs a volunteer to take on the job of Fund Raiser Committee chairperson.

New Business: Downeast Quilters have invited chapter members to a summer picnic on Friday, July 12 at the Jacksonville United Methodist Church. Lunch will be at noon. Bring buttons for Bingo markers.

Ironworks Quilters are organizing a shop hop for September 14. Using an Eastport Port Authority bus, participants will spend the day traveling to many Maine quilt shops. Cost: \$30 for the bus. See Bonnie Hunter for details or to sign up.

Election of Officers: Wanda Pollock was elected as the new secretary and Bonnie Hunter as president. No one was interested in

taking over the 2nd Vice President job held by Jude Clark. The 2nd Vice President is mainly responsible for arranging Wednesday workshops.

This led to a discussion about Wednesday workshops which have been poorly attended. Motion by Lynda Duplissea to hold “Chat and Sew” sessions instead of formal workshops after the current schedule of Wednesday workshops runs out but to use Wednesdays for other projects as the need arises. Beverly seconded. Motion passed. Members expressed the feeling that they have so many unfinished projects that they would prefer to finish the ones they have than to start more. This will begin in October in the evenings. In the winter it will be changed to afternoons.

Bonnie Hunter gave gifts to outgoing officers, Secretary Jane Eaton, 2nd VP Jude Clark and former 1st VP Joanne Spencer who had to step down after months of service. Joline Cook has stepped in to fill the vacancy.

Jude Clark offered two tips: 1) use a non-stick heat pad when using fusibles to avoid gumming up your ironing surface and/or iron and 2) use a old handkerchief for your quilt label.

Joline Cook described the upcoming Saturday workshops. See the website for details.

Bonnie Hunter outlined upcoming business meeting programs: July-fusible applique and August- a speaker from the Festival of Trees

Committee Reports: Hospice: Wanda expressed her pleasure at the number of lap quilts the chapter was able to donate to the hospice programs.

Membership: Joline Cook reported 61 members. In July she will distribute forms for members to renew their memberships.

Publicity: Lynda Duplissea summarized the newspaper coverage the chapter has received. If you wish to receive an electronic copy of Patchwork Press, please speak to Bonnie.

Quilt show: Julie Jordan reported that she will begin work with co-chairs later this summer.

Summer Executive Board meeting (to which all are welcome) will be on Thursday, July 11 at 10 AM at Joline's.

Program: Marilyn Wimmergren gave the program on how to use a flange on your binding. This method requires no hand sewing. Marilyn referred members to two websites that cover this: Missouri Star Quilts and Jordan Fabrics.

Gloria won the fabric draw. Many lovely items were shown at Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane M. Eaton