St. Croix International Quilters Business Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm. Bonnie Hunter opened the meeting by asking for a roll call and for participants to go back to their childhood and tell the group what they wanted to be when they grew up. There were 24 members present and two guests-Linda Rolfe and Caitlyn Reynolds.

The minutes of the March 20 meeting were not read.

Bonnie read correspondence from Mary Dunham, St. Joseph's Hospital, who thanked SCIQ members for the anti-ouch pouches.

Pat Wyeth gave the treasurer's report.

There will be a quilt show on May 4 at the Cherryfield Community Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Area 5 spring meeting is at the East Machias Fire Department. The theme is Recycling. The event starts at 5:30 pm. Block pattern and event details are available from Bonnie Hunter.

Bonnie thanked Gerri Reynolds and Paulyne Ward for the night's refreshments.

May fabric is Burgundy, refreshments will be provided by Mary Louise Peters and Pam McGarrigle, program will be Dresden Plate with Joanne Spencer, and 2 Minute Tip will be provided by Pat Wyeth.

See Addendum for schedule of Saturday workshops, Wednesday workshops and Business meeting programs.

Joline Cook, membership chair, reported that we now have 82 members.

Pat Wyeth has delayed any decisions on the library until the person who is interested in taking over for her contacts her. Some books are still outstanding. Please return borrowed books.

Pat Wyeth, historian, is putting together a leather bound book of SCIQ history from the beginning of the groups founding. The book will be available at the Studio Tour potluck. If you have any pictures or other documents, please contact Pat.

Lynda Duplissea sent a press release about the anti-ouch pouches to local newspapers and a Patchwork Press article was submitted. If anyone has ideas about publicity, please contact Lynda.

Theresa Wright – Fundraising: Books and magazines were donated by Sandy Hill. Members gave a donation to SCIQ for the items they selected. Pat Wyeth selected some for the library.

Theresa Wright, nominating committee chair, said that the committee is working together and will have a slate of officers ready for May meeting.

Bonnie Hunter and Sher Acheson are collaborating on a new website design for SCIQ. It may include thumbnail pictures for access to larger pictures of show & tell and workshops, a password protected members only page, and other changes and/or additions. The group voted to retain the chickadee as our logo, since it is the state bird of Maine and the provincial bird of New Brunswick. It was also voted to use white, red and blue in the colors of website and logo.

Old Business:

The presentation by Patty Caldwell on April 3 was well attended. Her quilts and wall hangings were beautiful and inspiring.

New Business:

Lynda Duplissea offered fabric donated by a person who wanted to help with anti-ouch pouch project.

Val Jackson offered to donate polyester stuffing for anti-ouch pouches.

Liz Trouant received some ideas from members on where to donate leftover fabric from a previous donation.

Sue McIver said that there were a few more open spots for the Shop Hop on May 18.

Joline Cook presented the 2-minute tip on the non-slip pedal mat.

Bonnie Hunter presented the Block of the Month.

Program: Lynda Duplissea explained how to use selvage edges from fabrics and had a display of several items, from ornaments to a sewing box stool, that she made.

The fabric drawing was won by Kathy Bishop.

Eight people showed their work at Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,

Joline Cook

Addendum:

Saturday Workshops

May 3 Machine Quilting with Betsy Dorr of Quiltessentials June 1 Pat Wyeth will teach French Roses, a quilt pattern July 7 Iva Kinney will teach a table runner workshop

Wednesday Workshops

May 1 Lynda Coffey will teach needle turn appliqué June 5 Teresa Wright will teach Peek-A-View July 3 Joline Cook will teach Place Setting Carrier/Placemat

Business Meeting programs:

May 15 Dresden Plate with Joanne Spencer June 19 Applique pressing sheet with Bonnie Hunter July 17 Angler 2 with Joanne Spencer