

Tucson Quilters' Guild
Business Meeting
July 7, 2010

Meeting called to order by Kathy Harris at 9:32 am.

- 11 Board members present.
- 7 Committee Chairs present.

Attendees: Joline Albaugh, Colleen Babcock, Mary Bazzano, Jo Cady-Bull, Laura Cotter, Cathy Dargel, Sally Dickinson, Sue Franklin, Evelyn George, Kathy Harris, Kay Hendricks, Nancy Landon, Mary Laughbaum, Mary Meserve, Marie Morris, Donata Pfisterer, Joan Swanson, Kathryn Wald, Shellie Whitman, Kathy Zimmer

Secretary: Minutes distributed by email 6/4/2010. Motion to approve minutes by Sue Franklin: seconded by Jo Cady-Bull. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Joan Swanson		July 7, 2010
Checking Acct.		1,895.44
Savings Acct.		22,468.22
Petty Cash		200.00
Fixed Assets	Accumulated Depreciation	-3,360.00
Equipment-Fixed assets		8,642.41
State Farm Bond Fund	Unrestricted	30,794.56
State Farm CD #1		8,015.80
State Farm CD #2		8,015.92
State Farm CD #3		7,513.10
Money Market	State Farm	532.71
Restricted Bond Fund	Endowment Account	25,579.32
	Total Assets	110,290.86

- The treasurer's laptop quit in the middle of computing. Mary Perry was able to assist with the recovery of data. Kathy Harris will look into the replacement costs for the treasurer's computer. Currently the records are being kept on the treasurer's personal laptop, with back up onto a memory stick.
- The accountant is still in Mexico. She has filed for an extension for the filing of the Guild income tax forms.

Motion to approve treasurer's report by Colleen Babcock; seconded by Laura Cotter. Motion passed.

Vice President/By-Laws: Marie Morris No report. Report expected in August.

Endowment/Donations: Mary Perry

- Only one request has been received. Hope to have more information in August.

Quilt Show: Mary Bazzano/Donata Pfisterer/Kathy Zimmer

- No news this month.

Membership: Colleen Babcock

- We currently have 645 members who have paid the 2010-2011 dues, 84 are new members this year.
- Membership Brochures are being updated, all review comments have been received and incorporated and will be printed soon.
- New Member Packet information sheets are being updated; still need input for education committee. Still have 12 new member packets available, but new packets will be needed soon.
- Membership Database was turned over as an excel spreadsheet; it previously had been in Access 2003. Working in excel is cumbersome and somewhat error prone. Colleen has investigated a

couple of web based membership systems which are pretty expensive. Her recommendation is that the membership database be restored to an Access database with input and update forms and standard reports. Colleen talked with a consultant about revitalizing the 2003 database, merging it with the current excel spreadsheet, developing input forms and reports. The quoted cost for the conversion and form/report development is \$528. This is not the only cost; currently Colleen is using her personal laptop and Microsoft software. Colleen serves through March 2012. A new laptop with Microsoft database software will be required at that time if we use this approach. A requirement for this job in the future could be a person who has a computer and has database skills.

Programs: Joline Albaugh/Judy Gilmartin

- Joline has spent approximately \$10, 800 to this point. We are about halfway through the year.
- Melinda Bula, guest speaker in June, was more expensive due to the fact that she purchased her air tickets late.
- Sign-ups for Hollis Chatelain's workshops begin in August. The cost for the workshops will be \$50 per day.
- Kathy Harris suggested that for upcoming programs the Program directors check with other Guilds in the State to see if our speaker is also presenting in another venue on the same trip. If this is the case, then we need to explore sharing travel expenses with the other guild(s).

Members-at-large: Nancy Landon/Sue Franklin

- No member concerns or comments to report at this time.

Bears: Margaret Newman No news

Bees: Laura Cotter

- One bee, the Piece Patchers, has reopened to accept members. The bee meets in the north central region.

Block of the Month: Kay Hendricks/ Evelyn George

- August block is called the Harlequin Star.
- The budget to date has provided more income due to the sale of pattern packs, than the expenditures for this committee.

Corresponding Secretary: Shellie Whitman

- Longtime member, Betty Berger, died suddenly on Friday, July 2.
- The Post Office key did not work due to the change in locks for security by the Post Office. The Post Office issued 2 new keys. We need to purchase 2 additional keys at \$6.00 each, one for the membership director, and one for the quilt show director.
- 25 laundry bags were made for the Candle Lighters. We received a thank you letter for the bags.
- A thank you was sent to Sandy Rakow for her contribution of laundry bags.
- We received a thank you with a photo from the Candle Lighters for the pillowcases that were contributed a Christmas.
- The Humane Society sent a thank you for 8 dog beds they received.
- A thank you was received from the Cohen family for the quilt given in memory of Noah.
- Member Kathy Rowley's husband died in the hospital following surgery.
- Quilting for Others will accept batting scraps.

Guild Pins: Patty Kruse No report

Historian: Karen Kelter

- We received a donation of juvenile fabrics as well as older Guild scrap books and historical information from Gail Martin. There is enough fabric to make 50 – 60 pillowcases or stockings.

Holiday Blocks: Pat Amber/Sharon Runyon No report

Hospitality: Vicki Oberg No report

Library: Donata Pfisterer /Kathryn Wald

- The library will be closed in July and August. Books may be returned in the drop box.

Newsletter: Nancy Clancy No report

AZ Quilter's Hall of Fame: Cathy Dargel No report

NQA: Jo Cady-Bull

- Sherri Driver received a First Place ribbon for her quilt entry in the NQA show in Columbus, OH in June.

Place Mats: Helen Cushing

- Meals on Wheels does not need any additional placemats at this time. Helen is exploring other options for the placemat donations.

Quilt-a-thon: Evelyn George/Mary Bazzano/Kathryn Wald

- Everything is ready for August.
- The Gospel Rescue Mission is opening a new facility. They will receive 100 quilts, along with 100 pillowcases for their new facility. Discussion was held regarding publicity for this donation. It was decided that the best way to approach news outlets was to ask the Gospel Mission to call and ask for news coverage.
- The Quilt-a-Thon was started in 1996 by Cathy Dargel when she was Program chair. August was a slow month so she suggested that the Guild hold a Quilt-a-Thon. 25 quilts were made that first year.

Quilting for Others: Mary Meserve

- 105 pillowcases, 37 stockings, and 22 dialysis cases were all completed and given to the Guild in June.
- The All People Quilt.com website should have a running total for all pillowcases made around the country for the 1 million case challenge.

Raffle Quilts: Kathryn Wald

- 2012 The committee will meet this month to assemble kits for members to help make the quilt.

Website: Meg Silvern No report

New Business:

- Mary Laughbaum has asked the Guild to form a new committee called Hearts for Heroes to make lap quilts for donation to the VA for use by local vets who are undergoing therapy as outpatients. Mary has agreed to chair this committee. Currently there are 30 – 40 vets who are in the poly-trauma unit and a second group about the same size in an additional unit.
 - Mary hopes that this new committee would be at no cost for the Guild. She plans to apply for donations from the Rotary club and from Raytheon. Mary wants to use military themed fabric as backing, and match the fabric theme to the branch of service each vet served.
 - A vote was held to form this as a new standing committee. The vote was unanimous to form this committee.
- Catalina Quilt Shop has closed.
- A suggestion has been received from a member that the Guild select one or more quilts from those donated to Quilting for Others to sell in the Gift Gallery to benefit the Guild. Proceeds from the sale could be used to purchase batting and supplies for Quilting for Others. It was suggested that members be invited to donate items for sale in the Gift Gallery for the Guild's benefit. If the Guild will benefit from the sale of items in the Gift Gallery, then members will need to sign up to work in the Gift Gallery.
- Kathy Harris received a request from Cathey's Sew and Vac for an announcement to be made at the July general meetings about an upcoming workshop that Cathey's is sponsoring. Cathey's owners will be told that they may distribute fliers at the meeting but no announcement may be made. It is also the responsibility of Cathey's to clean up any remaining fliers following the meeting.
- Cactus Quilt Shop is having a sale for the Halibut on July 17.
- Home of the Brave project is accepting quilt blocks and completed tops. See Cathy Dargel for more information.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

