

BLACK SWAMP QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes for Thursday, July 8, 2010

The program: Connie St Clair, professional fiber artist, spoke to the group about her passion for creating wearable art. She showed many of her garments to our group.

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m.
Announcements:
 - a. The Pemberville Quilt Show that is held during the Pemberville Free Fair, is August 18 – 21st. Entries are being accepted.
 - b. A thank you was read from the Cocoon Shelter for the quilts that we have donated to them.
 - c. Another thank you was received from Big Brothers and Big Sisters for the quilts that we donated to their 2010 fundraiser, NW OH Bowl for Kids' Sake benefit.
 - d. Last month there was a fiber art show at 577 Foundation. Some of our members had art on display at the show.
2. Introductions: There were no new members or visitors present. Two members had birthdays in June and four members had July birthdays.
3. Minutes of May meeting: Were approved.
4. Treasurer's Report: Was presented to the group as written on the meeting agenda. It was filed for audit.
5. Reports of Boards and Standing Committees
 - a. Program Committee:
 - Our guild meeting for September will be held at a different location due to the Parks Department cleaning the carpets in September. We will meet at the Church of the Nazarene at 15341 Gorrill Road in September and will return to the Simpson Building in October.
 - At the Mary Lou Hallenbeck Lecture she did not sell patterns because we ask her not to in order to honor our contract with the Parks Department. The contract states that we can't vend merchandise in the Simpson building. We have since clarified that sales can be made with "special permission" granted in advance of the event by filling out a form and having it signed by the Parks Department.
 - b. Mary Lou Hallenbeck Program Committee: Mary Lou had a great class and agreed to hold the class even though the classes were not full. Members are ask to please go to her web site and purchase patterns to support her business since she was not able to sell patterns at the lecture. Thanks to the committee that put this program together. The group cleared \$500.00 on this event.
 - c. Retreat Committee: Joanne Streacker announced that we have 14 spaces left to fill for our October retreat. Please ask your friends to go. The more spaces filled the less the cost will be for each member to attend.

- d. Newsletter Editor: Marge Hufford has agreed to take over this position.
 - e. Web Master: Retiring Webmaster reports she will maintain site through end of August, then info will be put on a disk and website deleted. BlackSwampQuilters.org name will no longer be paid for.” We are still looking for someone to fill this position.
6. General and Unfinished Business
- a. Row of the Month Quilt: Cindy Huffman presented the instructions for the June and July blocks to the group. These will be posted on our guild web site.
 - b. UFO Challenge: Two names were drawn for prizes for members who have completed UFO projects and shown the finished item to the group during show and share time.
7. New Business
- a. Remember location change for September meeting: Meeting will be held at the Church of the Nazarene for September meeting only.
 - b. NQA Review: Members were ask how many attended the NQA show in Columbus, Ohio. Several members attended.
 - c. The Busy Thimble – in Bowling Green, had a special open house night for members of our guild. Members were given a discount for attending this event.
 - d. Press Releases- Member Janet DeLong will take over the job of sending press releases for our guild to the Bowling Green Sentinel Tribune.
 - e. Fabric Dying Workshop-Will be put on by Cindy Huffman and Denise Domanski on Saturday, July 24th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A \$10.00 fee will cover your supplies. The workshop will be held at Cindy Huffman’s home.
 - f. Wood Co. Fair- Our guild will again be displaying items and sewing during Quilt Day at the Wood Co. Fair on Thursday August 5th. Senior citizens and anyone displaying a quilt gets in free that day. Please come and display your quilts. Contact Anita Kopp if you can help that day.
 - g. Nominating Committee- has been formed to gather names of members that would be willing to hold an office next year. The members of the nominating committee are: Chair, Ruth Carpenter, Barb Lemon, and Marsha Randles.
 - h. Anne Donald has raffle tickets for this years drawing for the Promise Quilt.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.