

BLACK SWAMP QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes for Thursday, May 13, 2010

The program: Me & My Sister was presented by Janette Willman and Marilyn Welling before the regular business meeting.

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:07 p.m. by President, Sheila Painter.
2. Announcements:
 - a. International Quilt Festival is moving from Chicago to Cincinnati this year.
 - b. The Original Creative Festival at Sharonville Convention Center, Sharonville, Ohio will be held June 24 – 26, 2010
 - c. 41st Annual NQA Quilt Show at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio will be held June 17 – 19, 2010
 - d. Mark Lipinski, Quilter and Co-host of Quilt Out Loud has announced that he has Polycystic Kidney disease and is in need of a kidney transplant.
 - e. A Double Wedding Ring Retreat presented by Amy Rietzel will be held September 17, 18, and 19 at Wingate by Wyndham, 5480 S. Main Street, Sylvania, Ohio. Sign up sheets were available to pick-up at the meeting.
 - f. Clinton County, Ohio is hosting a tour of barns painted with quilt squares as part of their bicentennial celebration on June 12 and 13, 2010.
3. Introductions: There was 1 new member, 5 visitors, and 7 members celebrating May birthdays.
4. Minutes of the April meeting were approved.
5. Treasurer's report as printed on the agenda was reviewed and filed for audit.
6. Reports of Boards and Standing Committees
 - a. Program committee – Members were reminded that they need to get a ticket to attend the Mary Lou Hollenbeck lecture and trunk show on June 10, at 7 p.m. to be held here at the Simpson Building. There are 40 tickets left and are being offered to the general public at this time. This lecture will replace our regular business meeting for June. We also need a few more people to fill the classes presented by Mary Lou Hollenbeck on Friday June 11. Contact Marilyn Riewaldt for tickets to the lecture or to sign up for a class.
 - b. Retreat Committee – There are 58 people signed up for the October retreat with 14 spaces still available. Shari Wiseman is collecting small tins or plastic mint type boxes to be used at the retreat. Please save these for her.
7. General and Unfinished Business
 - a. Row of the Month Quilt- Cindy Huffman showed the group samples of quilts made using the row of the month blocks. The instructions for the block for May was available for members to take with them. These instructions will also be posted on our web site.

- b. UFO Challenge – Shari Wiseman reminded members that each time they complete a UFO quilt their name will go in a jar for a drawing. A name was drawn at this month's meeting for a \$10.00 Gift Certificate to Panera Bread.
 - c. Ricky Timms Seminar – Sue Gruber reported that she had a great time at the Ricky Timms Seminar. Lectures and instruction were given by Ricky Timms and other known Quilt artists. She would recommend it to anyone who is considering going in the future.
 - d. Sauder Quilt Show Winners- We had several members from our guild who won awards at this year's Sauder Quilt Show in Archbold, Ohio. Winners were recognized and congratulated by the group.
 - e. Joan Edwards and the committee in charge of completing a quilt to be donated to the BG Parks District for an auction, showed the completed quilt to the group. Thanks to the committee for creating a beautiful quilt.
8. New Business
- a. Exciting guild opportunities – Our group is in need of volunteers to take over two important jobs in the next few months. These jobs are Newsletter Editor and someone to create and maintain our guild Web Site. Thanks to Diane Giveins, Newsletter Editor and Joan Jaffray, Web Master for years of services in these areas and a job well done. Please seriously consider volunteering for this opportunity to serve.
 - b. It was reported that there is a free subscription to an online quilt magazine found at <http://www.downunderquilts.com.au/>.
 - c. Quilt Show idea – Diane Warren suggested that our guild might consider having a small quilt show to show off the talent in our group and promote our guild. After some discussion it was decided to think about this and discuss it further at a future meeting.
 - d. It was reported that a new Central Ohio Binky Patrol Chapter out of Newark, Ohio was created in April of this year. This non profit organization provides binkys to children in foster care. A binky is a homemade blanket that can be sewn, knitted, crocheted, quilted or no sew tied fleece. It can range in size from 36" x 36" and up to 65" x 90". They must be soft and washable. The group discussed if we wanted to add this group to our list for donation quilts. It was decided to keep our donations to local charities but this is a great cause for anyone who wants to make an individual donation of fabric, money or completed quilts.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Regular and Charity Show and Tell followed the meeting.