

REQG Board Meeting
October 11, 2010
1502 D Street

Call to Order: 6:36 P.M.

Present: Susie Freese, Betty Hendrickson, Cheryl Pekar, Amy Gomes, Anne Carlisle, Wanda Wahlund, Maggie Stimson, Kathie Aoki, Mimi Mace, Charlotte Viredaz, Mary Hall, Gayleen Smith (for Yvonne Jolley), and Nancy Frost.

Correspondence: Wanda reports have received one single and one double booth requests for the quilt show. Susie shared the thank you card from Vickie Knapp for the REQG membership she won at the Humboldt County Fair.

Approval of Minutes: Approved with corrections. First and seconded by Maggie Smith and Cheryl Pekar, respectively. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Wanda reviewed balance sheet with attached corrections.

Officer's Reports

1st Vice President: November will be National speaker; Dec – *Food for People* will be the charity. REQG members to provide nonperishable food items and/or money donations. Discussion followed concerning doing a cookie exchange as well as sell bags of cookies with monies collected going to charity. Jan – Challenge quilt; Feb – Basket Auction; Mar – National speaker; Apr – Open; May Quilt Show (Betty Hendrickson to organize program). June – End of the year potluck.

2nd Vice President: Amy reports that Maggie Ball will be Oct 2011 speaker and has added a second class, *The Bears Come Out at Night*. Plan is for Maggie to speak at the general meeting followed by Fri and Sat classes. She will send quilt examples in April or May. She has also sent her book to donate towards the REQG library. The class in Nov so far has 11 people for Friday class and only five for Sat. Will open classes up to public. Mary Hall will put in Times-Standard. It will be held at the Eureka Women's Club on J Street. Discussion followed concerning expenses and class fees. Bills given to treasurer. March National speaker will be Jodi Barrows from Texas. *Square in a Square System*. Will teach two classes: Prairie Claw and Ohio Star. Speaker requires a \$100 deposit when booking.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

Parliamentarian: Absent

Past President: Nothing to report.

Standing Committees

Community Liaison: Absent. Susie found the Acu-cut not accurate when cutting five or more pieces of fabric. Mary found it good for cutting up to five tumblers. Currently REQG has three templates: tumbler, 2 1/2" strip, and 5" square. Susie encourages others to try it out and share their experience with the unit.

Librarian: Charlotte reports getting armloads of good books from members. She has a dilemma with supply list not matching items in library cabinet. Cheryl will be cleaning through supplies and will find the box of items listed.

Membership: Maggie reports have 128 members: 119 individuals; 5 businesses; 2 associates and 2 junior members. At the October meeting, there were 84 members, 3 new members, and 3 guests. There are currently three members in the running for prizes for bringing in new members. Cheryl shared a tri-fold flyer she picked up in Oregon for a quilters' guild. Mary Hall will look in to design and cost.

Newsletter: Jean absent. Reminder that all submissions are due by the 15th of the month. Discussion followed concerning bulk mailing and the need to keep for the quilt show. Newsletters can also be taken to the various businesses that potential guild members may use.

Publicity: Mary submitted photos and article on the quilt hanging at the Blood Bank but articles making it in the paper are at the discretion of the Times-Standard. Will also be sending in info on the upcoming workshops.

Quilt Show 2011: Betty reports still need a "take down" person otherwise, all other positions are filled. Next meeting will be Monday, October 18, 6pm at Humboldt Area Foundation off Indianola Rd.

Special Committees

Block of the Month: Block #2 was missing in the newsletter. Susie will check on it.

Challenge: Absent. See article in upcoming newsletter.

Doll Quilts: 200 quilts so far. See article in newsletter.

Fat Quarter Raffle: Absent

Historian: Kathy has been taking many pictures.

Hospitality: Reminder that there is no sign-up but an open invitation to bring snacks. October meeting was a poor showing.

Premie Quilts: Nancy reports have 24 so far. Recently gave 28 to each local hospital (3) and UCSF as well. UCSF receives as numbers permit.

Raffle Table: Kathie reports \$180 made at October's meeting. Has a sign for the special raffle items. Acknowledged how good the "grab bags" have been, which help move the items and minimizes leftovers at end of year.

Show and Tell: Mimi will get more clips to hang items. Positive comments at meetings with the way items are being shown. Mimi plans to have post-it notes so name of quilt and maker can be noted.

Sunshine: Kathi will be sending out "thinking of you" cards to two members. Encourage members to notify her of members in need of some sunshine.

HAF: Susie reminds board that according to the by-laws, the two positions on the HAF committee are to be staggered and the only special committee that has a two-year term. One of the current members will need to step down and a new member appointed. More research is needed to determine this since both current members came on at same time.

Old Business

Senior Center hangings: One building is done but holding off on the other building after maintenance man was concerned with "holes," which are actually quite small because using thumbtacks.

Bank Account Changes: Susie (President), Wanda (Treasurer), and Anne (Secretary) are planning to go this Friday morning to change over to Coast Central Credit Union.

National Quilting Day: Redwood Acres is not available Mar 18, 19, 20 so will need to find another venue for the event. Susie can get Odd Fellows Hall for \$25, Kathy will check on the Peace Officers Hall in Freshwater. Plan is to start Friday at 5p.m. REQG will provide pizza. Attendees to bring food for Sat/Sun. Sat hours from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sun hours not set yet. Will have mini courses, 30 – 60 minutes in length on Sat and Sun. So far have Cheryl P – “Shiva paint sticks”; Lynn Todoroff – “How to calculate and measure for backing”; Edith Harmer – “Making a wine gift bag”; and Liz Scott. Plan for 50 – 75 attendees but depends on venue space. Cheryl is looking at having lanyards and passes made up. The passes could be *passed on* if attendee cannot make one of the days.

Discussion followed concerning copyright of patterns and restrictions implied and how that may effect someone doing a demo.

Plaza Design: Maggie notes that although the 40/60 split is a standard formula for consignment items, P.D. is willing to be more charitable. Maggie invites anyone who would like to make shopping bags for the sale to call her, schedule a time for a demo, and pick up fabrics, which are provided by Plaza Design. Susie passed around a shopping bag that used PD fabric. It also used strapping and netting purchased from Pierson’s Hardware.

New Business

Nancy shared an idea she saw when traveling back east through Amish country. Sides of barns had quilt patterns painted on them. Perhaps such a thing could be started in our area and project could be funded through a grant from HAF. Nancy will look in to this and encourages members to be on the look out for possible “barn sides” that could be used and take pictures of them.

Anne announces the annual Brookings Crafts Fair is Sat, Nov 13 held at the high school campus gym and multipurpose room. There were some unique vendors when she went last year.

Adjournment: 8:25 p.m.