



PIECEMAKER'S NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

PRESIDENT Debbie Brown, Mary Ann Burch SECRETARY –Katie Daugherty NEWSLETTER- Mary Quinan VICE PRESIDENT – Sherry Wade TREASURER – Debi Newman

<u> APRIL PROGRAM – APRIL 25, 2023, 6:30 P.M.</u>

For our April meeting we will have Elizabeth Peck as our guest speaker. She is the owner of "The Quilt Makers Shop" Her shop specializes in wide backings and battings. She will share her ideas on preparing your quilt for the longarmer plus other information regarding battings. There will be a variety of backings and battings for sale that evening. Her website is <u>thequiltmakersshop.com</u>.

Don't forget to bring your Crave Box project! If you haven't done your block yet, you've got one more week.

Sarah Frye's class is April 29th. There are still several spaces available.

In May we are having D. J. Smith from Old Time Fabrics in Stanford. She will demonstrate how to do four at a time Flying Geese. You may bring your machine if you would like to sew along with her. D.J. will have some kits for purchase that evening. She also deals in Featherweight machines and will bring a couple along.



MINUTES OF THE MARCH 28, 2023 GUILD MEETING

Central Kentucky Homemakers Quilt Guild

The meeting was brought to order at 6:30 p.m. by co-President Debbie Brown. We welcomed a new member, Lisa Colston. Debra Miller announced that our membership total is now 57. We had four guests.

Members with March birthdays were reminded to choose a birthday fat quarter.

Reports

<u>Treasurer</u>. Debi Newman reported that the transfer of our bank account to Independence Bank has been accomplished. Further, \$4,000 of the stocking money in our account has been invested with American Trust, at a current rate of 4.9%, withdrawable at any time. \$3,645.61 remains in the guild's bank account, of which \$621 is designated for stockings. The balance is unrestricted funds belonging to the guild.

<u>Quilts for Kids/Beads of Courage</u>. Debbie Poole and Debbie Ball reported that on the previous Saturday's sew day, 112 bead bags were produced. The intent is to finish all 125 of them at Friday Stitchers before delivering them to UK Children's Hospital.

<u>Crave Box Challenge</u>. This meeting was the start of our "Crave Box Challenge", organized by Kay Wilson. Participating members brought their fabrics in the Crave Boxes they received in February. Kay Wilson and Susan Hampton organized, shuffled, and dealt them to the participants to make their first block and bring back to our next meeting. Kay has some extra boxes available for anyone who hasn't yet signed up and wants to participate. Late entrants will need to make their own first block.

Upcoming programs/workshop.

Vice president Sherry Wade reported that there are nine slots remaining for the "Crazy Curves and Zingers" workshop to be led by Sarah Frye on April 29 from 10 to 4 o'clock in Room E-F at the Extension Office. Cost including lunch is \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members.

The program presenter at our April meeting will be Elizabeth Peck, whose on-line store, The Quilt Maker's Shop, specializes in wide backings. Elizabeth will speak about how to prepare your quilt for long-arm quilting. She will also bring some of her wide backings and other merchandise for sale.

<u>Quilts of Valor</u>. Sherry Wade and Debbie Brown reported that the next QOV Awards Ceremony will be on July 9 [at 2:00 p.m. at the VFW on Second Street]. The next QOV sew day is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9 from 9 to 4 o'clock at the Extension Office. Debbie has printed a new form for the label information on white paper for anyone who needs it. (The ones printed on orange paper bleed if they get wet, so put it in a zip-loc bag before attaching to the quilt if you are using one of the orange label forms.) QOV quilts may be washed at home or at the Extension Office – now equipped with laundry machines! The guild has color catchers to use with the wash. The quilts *must* be washed before the label is applied. The next QOV Business Meeting will be on Thursday, April 20, 6:30, here, in Room AB. .(THIS MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED. NEW DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE APRIL 25 GUILD MEETING .)

There is a QOV retreat scheduled for Sew Pieceful (next door to Pieceful Haven), Crestwood, KY., from May 15-20. Anyone interested in attending should contact Debbie Brown at 320-9168.

<u>Stockings</u>. The committee met in January re planning ahead. If you have pieces of batting and/or fabric suitable for stockings to donate, please bring them to the next guild meeting.

<u>Newsletter</u>. The deadline for the April newsletter is April 16.

<u>October Retreat</u> is scheduled for October 10 – 14 at Pieceful Haven, Crestwood, KY. Nadine Cox is organizing. Mark your calendars!

Old Business.

- Yard Sale: Sherry Wade and Sarah Wilding agreed at the meeting to spearhead this. They will figure out the particulars, e.g., when to have it, what's acceptable to donate, pricing, layout, etc. Additional helpers and creative input are welcome, so if you have ideas and would like to help, contact Sherry or Sarah.
- Beginners quilting class. Debi Newman agreed at the meeting to explore this avenue further on our behalf.

<u>Homemakers</u>. Our participation in the Cultural Arts Exhibit was noted. There was a big increase in the number of entries this year and several entries advanced to the next level of competition.

<u>Program</u>. Sherry Wade introduced our program: Machine Trapunto Quilting, presented by Nadine Cox. Nadine brought kits for all who came prepared for a "make-and-take," and dealt out the extras. She presented a step-by- step demo, and those members who had brought their own sewing machines followed along. In addition to the informative demonstration, Nadine furnished us with a handout to remind us of what we had learned.

Following the program we had show and tell. Door prizes were awarded.

The meeting was dismissed at 8:10 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Katie Daugherty,

Secretary



IMPORTANT DATES

Apr 25 Guild meeting

- Apr 26-29 Quilt week in Paducah
- Apr 29 Sarah Frye class
- May 9 Quilts of Valor Sew Day 9-4
- May 10 Board Meeting 8:30 am. All are welcome
- May 14 Deadline for newsletter submissions
- May 23 Guild Meeting 6:30 pm



Quilts of Valor

CHARITY QUILTS

Several members gathered on a Saturday March 25th to sew 125 Beads of Courage bags for the UK Children's Hospital. The bags are given to children in medical treatment at the hospital. The children get to choose their bag and are given a special bead for every procedure and appointment they have. We had a very special little girl named Molly come to sew day and show and explain how the program works and what it means to her. Molly helped us sew while she was there! Thanks to the LaGrange donation from KHQS we had plenty of fabric



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

7 May Eileen Bray



FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR

The Franklin County Fair is July 18-22. We are adding a couple of new categories this year. The biggest change is that we added a one person and a two person category for scrap quilts. These categories include scrap quilts, string quilts, crazy quilts and improvisational quilts.

There are also now one and two person categories for Wall Hangings, Baby Quilts and Holiday Items.

I also asked the Fair Board to reorganize the categories so that all one person categories are grouped together and all two person categories are grouped together. I have not seen the book yet, but hopefully they will be able to do that.

By the time of the May Guild Meeting I should have all the dates and times, so I will pass around a signup sheet for anyone who is able to help.

And it's never too early to start thinking about what you want to enter!



MARCH 2023 SHOW & TELL





https://dairybarn.org/quiltnational/



Opening Reception May 26th, 4- 6 pm, 2023

On View May 26th - September 11th, 2023

Our 45th Quilt National biennial, juried by Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi, Irene L Roderick, and Chiaki Dosho, will be on view this spring. Come to view the amazing selection of Contemporary Quilts!

The Dairy Barn is located in Athens Ohio







2023 Festival Fine Arts and Crafts

MAPLES PARK

June 10-11, 2023 Saturday 10am - 4pm Sunday 11am - 4pm

> The Maples Park 6431 Railroad Avenue Crestwood, KY 40014

Free Admission & Parking Food Trucks & Live Entertainment

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