

Calico Cutters Quilt Guild Meeting

October 11, 2017

Held at Goshen Fire Company, West Chester, PA

President, Pat Barton, called meeting to order at 9:30am and welcomed everyone. Announced Dorcas is recovering from surgery and not in attendance today. Fat Quarters will be collected on the table and Nancy Thoman will organize the drawing.

Six new members were welcomed to the meeting and to the guild. Pat presented them with their handmade name tags.

Announcement that our next meeting will be held at Paoli Presbyterian Church and Melissa Sobotka will be the speaker. The meeting will begin at the regular time. Also, Ways and Means is planning a bake sale! All information and directions are on the web site.

A reminder was given to contact Hattie Virgilio or Pat Barton if a member learns of another member who is ill, having surgery, or otherwise in need of Sunshine.

Kathy Nester announced that the Melissa Sobotka workshop is full. She is taking names for a waitlist.

The December meeting will be a holiday party. Members were asked not to invite guests.

The Sarah Bond workshop is being planned for May 2018. Details are still being firmed and no sign-ups at this time.

Janet Creely, Charitable Gifts, thanked everyone for their generous donations. All items will be delivered to the Coatesville VA. The November collection will be hats, gloves, mittens and scarves for various community outreach organizations. All information is on the web site.

Stephanie Braskey announced that the 2017 challenge quilts were available for pick up on the back tables. This upcoming year the challenge quilt theme is "Do Not Touch the Quilts" and the size is to be 8 1/2" by 11" The message of the small quilts is to convey to visitors don't touch the beautiful quilts at the quilt show to be held in May. The challenge will be due at the February meeting. All details are on the web site or questions can be sent to Stephanie.

Pat Svitek, Hospitality, announced that she will need volunteers for the upcoming meetings. At the November meeting being held in Paoli, coffee and tea will be served and Pat will need assistance in making the coffee and set-up/clean-up. For the Holiday Party being held at the December meeting, lots of help will be needed for set-up/clean-up and planning. See or contact Pat to sign-up.

Terry Seeley and Kelly Meanix, Ways and Means, have a beautiful selection of raffle baskets. See them at the tables to purchase your tickets! The November meeting will be a bake sale. There is a sign-up sheet. The Holiday Party will offer members attending an opportunity to win a basket(s) as a door prize!

Cathy Fasy, Kids Quilts, announced she did not have supplies with her today. The committee will have kits next month. Twenty two quilts were collected this month.

Catherine Morano, Events Committee, announced the sign-up sheet for the Sew-In/Project Day was on the Education table. The date is Thursday, November 30th at the Good Will Fire Company and the fee is \$10. All information is on the web site.

Pat Barton announced that the Blueberry Bread recipe was found! Linda Lakitsky shared her recipe and it can be found on our guild web site.

Susan Linton and Lee Paylor, Membership, announced the our guild membership is full at 150 members. Today, 91 members were attending and 9 guests. Susan has membership cards at the table for pick-up. The membership list has been sent to all membership by email.

Lee Paylor, Retreat, announced all plans are finalized for the upcoming retreat and that attendees can check into the sewing room at 3:00pm. Dinner on Saturday will not be a banquet will be held in the main dining room as a buffet.

Sonia Schaeffer, Block of the Month, announced the winner of the Wacky Pumpkins as Regina Koch. The block next month is Hearts and Gizzards to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Fat Quarters, the theme for next month is Christmas.

At 10:30am, Pat Barton called for a 15 minute break.

At 10:45am, Pat called meeting to order.

Pat spoke about the on-line survey which was sent to the membership by the Communication Committee. To date, 60 members have responded. She encouraged all members to take the survey of just a few questions. The responses will be a great help with plans for the future.

The Kids Quilts Committee showed the twenty two quilts donated this month.

Gail Pickett, Veterans Quilts, showed the ten quilts and several pillowcases donated this month. She asked the membership to communicate with her if they would like to have kits for the Veterans quilts. Tel Hai will begin assembling Veterans quilts in January.

Show and Tell - Approximately, twenty three members presented their beautiful projects.

Terry Seeley and Kelly Meanix announced the raffle basket winners!

Thomas Knauer was introduced to the membership and presented his lecture "The Meaning of Things: The Importance of Quilts in an Era of Excess".

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Morano

