

## Niles Piece Makers Guild Minutes

November 22, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Sara Shrock at 7:00 PM

Sara introduced the Board Members: Vice President Robin English, Secretary Sally Hanson, Treasurer Beth Raker. Secretary Nancy Nimtz was absent.

There were 37 members in attendance

There were no visitors.

There were no new members.

Old business:

- Newsletter minutes and treasurers report were accepted with the following correction:
  - The date of the November Guild meeting is November 22, 2022.
- The bank account is \$2521.18.

Both reports were accepted as presented.

Committee Reports

- Charity Quilts—Jenny Chapla took 9 quilts to Salvation Army. They are looking for many more quilts and blankets for Christmas.
- Newsletter—Beth Raker says thanks for all the Online and Website suggestions.
- Website—Lisa Schmidtgoessling has updated the website and is currently updating member photos.
- Secret Pals—Pam Holt instructs us to take your Secret Pal gift home if it is not picked up at the meeting. Annette Blaschuk suggests that if you mail a card, you might use Pam's address as the return address for the postal service.

New Business:

- Kaye Collins is the Charity Quilt liaison to NICU at Memorial Hospital. They are looking for small quilts, 20 x 20 inch up to 24 x 24 inch, for parents taking their preemies home. They are also looking for preemie knit or crochet hats. If you like a small, quick project, they want a set of four flannel scent hearts to use with mothers and newborns. The flannel carries the mom's scent and helps the baby to bond.
- Robin English announced a few upcoming events. See the complete list in the Newsletter.
  - There are many Quilt Shows coming up.
  - Sew Happy has Sit and Sews at the Library.
  - Lynn Gerard has a Bag Club that is ongoing.
- Beth Raker informed us of a Call for 30 Minute Lessons to be presented at the Elkhart Quilt Show.

## Member Concerns/Community Events

- Nancy and Earl Nimtz have health concerns.
- Annette Blaschuk says Thanks! To Pam Holt for finding a trailer for the Quilt Racks. We have worked up a Rental Contract for the racks and hope that the income from rentals will cover the cost of the racks and trailer over a few years. If anyone would consider donating at the end of the year for tax purposes, Beth Raker will give a receipt.
- Julie Koch is looking for someone to teach quilting at the Senior Center.

Door prizes were awarded to guest Melinda Anstead, Pam Holt and Arlene Lehman.

Charity Quilts were donated by

- Connie Gless
- Jenny Chapla
- Beth Raker
- Pam Holt
- Cathy Robison

Show and Tell:

- Beth Raker
- Sally Hanson
- Connie Gless
- Pam Holt
- Carolyn Ernsperger
- Annette Blaschuk
- Lola Woolett
- Marlene Sowatzke
- Jan Holdeman
- Debbie Brechtl
- Carole Partlow

Sara Shrock presented our Raffle Quilt for the Quilt Show. It is a queen size, quilted by Denise Gmeiner and bound by Jody Crandall. The top was purchased at auction.

Program: Gift Ideas for the Holidays

Robin English and Beth Raker showed us quick and easy gift ideas. Robin made a Christmas Ornament of three circles of fabric fused together into a Christmas Tree shape and decorated with tiny buttons. Beth showed a Kitchen Boa, made of a strip of fabric with a half of a kitchen towel attached to each end. Thanks to both for the fun ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Hanson

Secretary