



Minutes

Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Quilting Guild of the Villages Executive Board was held at Laurel Manor Recreation Center. The meeting was called to order at 2:02PM by President Ardie Wood who welcomed all attendees. Roll call was taken and all chapters were represented with the exception of Friendship Star who was on retreat (Lucy Edwards made a valiant attempt to be there, but her train was cancelled). There were 51 in attendance along with the four (4) Guild officers.

President Wood reported that a Blood Drive will be held in the Laurel Manor parking lot on March 21 from 9:00-3:00PM.

The Lake Okahumpka chapter is in process and cannot be officially established until the four (4) officers are named. When they are official, they will be called the Lakeside Quilters.

President Wood asked everyone to review their open/closed status in the Recreation News for The Villages. It's important to keep this updated. Any changes should be sent via email to QGOTVPresident@gmail.com and that information will be relayed to the Daily Sun.

It's also important that the leadership roster on the website is up to date. Four officers should be listed for each chapter. SeaBreeze Chapter needs to update the roster with the name of their VP.

The Showcase 2023 charity quilt was a huge success and yielded \$6255.00 for each of the two charities selected. The Whiporwills Chapter has stepped up to create and produce the quilt for Showcase 2025. No opposition was given by the other chapters. All chapters were asked to bring their choices for the charity selection for Showcase to the March EBoard Meeting. No more than three (3) charities should be teed up. There is no magic to the number of charities

selected to receive these funds, but they should not exceed 3. This information will be published for Marketplace 2024 so the selection will need to be in the April/May timeframe.

Secretary Report

Minutes have been posted to the QGOTV website.

Treasurer Report

Financial reports for December year end and January year to date were provided to all presidents in advance of the meeting. This information can be shared with their members upon request. Treasurer Miller has completed the 2022 tax return.

Programs

Vice President Yvonne Wecker delivered the Showcase 2023 Challenge quilts to the AQS Show in Daytona Beach today and they were appropriately displayed.

There will be three (3) buses going from The Villages to the AQS Show on Wednesday.

Angela Walters will be the visiting artist for the March 7 meeting. Tickets were distributed at the end of the meeting to the chapters to give to their members however they see fit. There are 326 seats available for the March 7 evening lecture with a potential of 188 more in an adjacent room. Attendance will be taken that evening, and everyone will need a ticket for entry. Vice President Wecker worked very hard to accommodate all class requests and attempted to assign by locations closest to where their chapters meet. The seating for these classes will be 2 people per 6-foot table so everyone is encouraged to bring their smaller machines and nothing else that requires power as it will be limited. By putting 2 people per table, the attendance was increased from 122 to 204. 191 slots are full, and she is working to accommodate the others.

Refer to the QGOTV website for information on other visiting artists for 2023 as well as the M2M classes. There is no meeting in July, so Vice President Wecker is evaluating options for that month include the potential of a zoom training session. Stay tuned.

Committee Reports

Charity – no report given.

Cornerstone – Pixie Wilder provided medallions as requested. Let her know if more are needed. She reminded the group of how appreciative Cornerstone Hospice is for the Guild support.

Honor Flight – Julianne Brodrick has 91 finished quilts and will need 67 for the April 19 flight. This gives her a good supply at this time for the 2024 flight, but everyone can keep making them and she will store them. She doesn't know what quantity will be needed yet for next year.

Children's Home Society – Claire Creamer was introduced to the group as the replacement representative now that Patti Hochmuth is moving out of the state. Patti reiterated the importance of the Guild to the success of this charity.

Membership/Web – no report given.

Notions Sale – Lynn Kluczynski reported that 72 tables have been sold and there is no wait list. She will be sending out a message to all participants with details for the day. That email will come from QGOTVcqmarket@gmail.com and will include the table numbers and map of the room at La Hacienda Recreation Center. She has planned advertising in the Daily Sun leading up to the event which will be held on Saturday, March 4 from 8:30-12:30PM. She also stated that 19 of 27 chapters will be participating. Only cash or check will be accepted as she is not aware of anyone taking credit cards.

Scholarship 2023 – Lynn Kluczynski is chairing this committee and asked for two additional members. Jan Kloeffler from Mamie's signed on, so she only needs one more member. March 31 is the deadline for submission of requests for the committee to review in April.

Nominating Committee – Two officer positions will be on the docket for 2024 – President and Treasurer. A chairperson needs to be named and each chapter will need to provide a representative to be part of this process. Note that Treasurer Miller has already served two terms so is not eligible to continue in this role. As we are waiting for a chairperson to be named, keep an eye out for any potential candidates for these two critical leadership positions.

Marketplace 2025 – Victoria Grace reported that the contract has been signed for Rohan. The Save the Date information was included in the Showcase 2023 program which was very helpful. The first committee meeting will be held on March 17.

Survey Results

When the final tally was done, there was a 60% return rate representing the geography of the chapters very well. The results were reviewed by the leadership team and will be discussed with the Long-Range Planning Committee when they meet on March 22 at Moyer Recreation Center. This information will be important to ensure the needs of the chapter members are met as best as possible.

Insurance

President Wood reviewed again the insurance situation as it pertains to the chapters and retreats. She currently has three (3) certificates for Wildwood Masonic Lodge, Warren Willis and Luther Springs. Lake Yale requires a different process so anyone scheduling a retreat there should reach out to President Wood so she can arrange the proper certification. Of primary importance is noting that the insurance does not nor cannot cover attendees who are not part of the Guild. If you have any non-Guild attendees, special insurance needs to be purchased by

the chapter for around \$150.00. Members are encouraged to NOT have attendees who are not Guild members.

Miscellaneous

National Quilt Day is at Eisenhower on Saturday, March 18 and will be hosted by Mamie’s Quilters. This event is free and open to the public. There will be displays and demonstrations throughout the day.

If you need any additional time at your Recreation Center, please notify President Wood so she can make the request. Though everyone has a great relationship with their recreation center staff, it’s important to make sure we are following the rules.

On February 25 there is motorcoach going to the FL Sheriff’s Boy’s Ranch. An email was sent to all presidents. The \$25 fee includes the ride and lunch with a 7:45AM departure returning around 5:30PM.

President Wood received an email from a US Navy veteran who needs a quilt repaired. Betty Baker volunteered to contact the gentleman and help him out.

Showcase 2023

President Wood thanked Committee Chairperson Theresa Ierardi for such an outstanding show. Theresa also thanked her committee for their contributions to this successful event. A summary of the success was provided:

Total Admissions	3373 (paid and volunteers)
Total Income	62282 (net after taxes)
Expenses	27197
Recreation Center Rent	18410
Total expenses	45607
Total Profit	16675

Given the success of this event, a motion was made to supply each chapter with 30 yards of batting for use in charity projects. The motion was read by Jan Kloeffler, Secretary:

In recognition of the chapters’ participation in the success of Showcase 2023, the senior leadership team of the QGOTV moves to purchase one roll of batting (30 yards) for each chapter to be used for charitable quilting projects.

The motion was seconded by Iris Fine Scher and Betty Baker and the vote was unanimous to proceed.

The batting will be available after the Lakeland Quilt Show in mid-March and will be delivered to President Wood's home for pick up. The value of each roll is around \$90. Each chapter should send her an email with the name and telephone number of the person who will be picking it up to QGOTVPresident@gmail.com.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25PM.

The next meeting of the Executive Board of the Quilting Guild of the Villages will be held on Tuesday, March 21 at Laurel Manor Recreation Center at 2:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Kloeffler, QGOTV Secretary