



Minutes

Executive Board Meeting

August 15, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Quilting Guild of The Villages was held at Laurel Manor Recreation Center. The meeting was called to order at 2:00PM by President Ardie Wood. Roll call was taken and there were 45 attendees including the President, Secretary, Treasurer and Vice President. Not in attendance were representatives from Lakeside, WaterLilly and Big Cypress.

Secretary Report

Minutes have been posted to the QGOTV website for all to view. Reminder that all communications with the Chapter Presidents will be done via their QGOTV Gmail account.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Nancy Miller reviewed the 2024 budget proposal which was approved by the Budget Committee. After answering a few questions and clarifying some points, Claire Creamer made the motion that the budget be approved by the Executive Board which was seconded by Sharon Warner. A vote was held at the budget was approved unanimously by the attendees.

Programs

Vice President Yvonne Wecker reviewed upcoming Member to Member classes as well as the visiting artists for the remainder of the year. There is no visiting artist as yet for the October meeting so Vice President Wecker will be putting together a fun program. She is actively working on the schedule for 2024.

Committee Reports

Charity – Maureen Huntley was not present, several chapters brought in soup bowl cozies.

Cornerstone – Pixie Wilder was not present, but Ellen Peters was on hand to take Cornerstone quilts and will provide medallions when they are available.

Honor Flight – Julienne Brodrick was not present, but Janis Kloeffler took quilts which were brought in and let everyone know that there are 71 quilts currently and there will be two (2) flights in 2024 in April and October which will require 140 quilts.

Children's Home Society – Claire Creamer continued to thank everyone for their great support to CHS. They have collected \$14,094 YTD.

Membership – Nanette Fahler reported we are now at 1,255 members.

Nominating Committee – Ruth Strocchia reported that Deb Silva from Homestead is the candidate for the President position for 2024-25. The treasurer will be Patty Hendricks.

Marketplace 2024 – Victoria Grace reported that Marketplace Coordinators will meet on September 5 at 5:30PM at Laurel Manor prior to the Guild Meeting. There are 25 vendors currently confirmed. Publicity will begin in September and bookmarks will be available at the October 28 Fall Craft Show. Reminder that attendance for all Guild members is free and Passports can be purchased for \$5 prior to the show or \$10 at the door. All meeting minutes and key information on Marketplace will be available on the QGOTV website.

Fall Craft Show – Lynn Kluszynski reported that applications are available, and half of the 52 available tables have been reserved. If any of your members are interested, they should send an email to qgotvfallcraftsale@gmail.com. Reminder that this show is for finished products only.

2023 Stocking Challenge – Theresa Ierardi reported that the Christmas Stocking Challenge will take place this year. All of the guidelines are attached to these minutes. There will be a form on the QGOTV website to be used for registration. This was a popular project last year with over 144 stockings donated to the Childrens Home Society along with \$1234.00 in cash donations. They will receive the proceeds from this event as well.

Camp Villages – President Wood thanked the following chapters for participating this year – Lake Miona, Rohan, Fenney Sewcialites, Sterling Stitchers and Riverbend Bobbins.

Long Range Planning – This group will meet on Wednesday, August 23 at Moyer Recreation Center Clementine Room at 7:00PM. Minutes from these important meetings are posted on the QGOTV website. These meetings have been focused on the plan for the future of the Guild, so everyone is encouraged to review the minutes. The team will be presenting the ideas to the Executive Board at an upcoming meeting.

Other Business

The Jacksonville Quilt Show will take place September 14-16. The SeaBreeze chapter has rented a 25-passenger bus to go to the show and currently has 11 seats open. The cost is \$55 per person and includes your ticket to the show. The bus will leave Lake Sumter at 8:30AM and depart Jacksonville to return at 2:30PM. If you are interested, contact Alice at qgotvseabreeze@gmail.com.

We will be voting on charities to support at the November EBoard Meeting. If your chapter has any charities they want to have considered, they should be prepared to present them at the October Meeting. Current charities supported are Honor Flight, Cornerstone and Childrens Home Society.

Showcase 2025 – still looking for a chairperson.

Julie Woith presented an opportunity for the group to help the Maui survivors by working with the Maui Quilt Shop to make quilts and send them. She requested support from the Guild for payment for postage. This will be evaluated. Another member indicated that the MauiFoodBank.org website is accepting donations.

President Wood reminded everyone of the request for 300 fidget mats for the upcoming Coping with Dementia Care conference on October 30 at the Savannah Center. These mats will be given to all attendees. VP Wecker indicated that she has fabric which she can donate for this endeavor.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10PM.

The next meeting of the Executive Board of the Quilting Guild of the Villages will be held on Tuesday, September 19 at 2:00PM at Laurel Manor Recreation Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janis Kloeffler – QGOTV Secretary

QGOTV - 2023 Stocking Challenge



Stocking Challenge Committee for 2023:

Nancy Miller - Moyer Citrus Stitches Tim Geiger - Whiporwills Theresa Ierardi - Mamie's

General Rules:

1. Only two entries per chapter. Each chapter may select its own representatives.
2. Stocking can be made by an individual or group. Everyone who works on the stocking must be listed on the entry form. Entry Form are on the next page.
3. Early entry is preferred.
4. The entry form must be signed and submitted with the stocking between September 1st and no later than **November 7, 2023**. Entries may be given to any Guild Officer or Stocking Challenge committee member before November 7, 2023.
5. Stockings will be displayed with only a number for an anonymous vote.
6. All stockings entered will be donated to a Children's Home Society. **If you do not wish to donate your stocking, do not enter it.**
7. Stockings for donation only should submit a form with **"DONATION ONLY"** written on it.

Stocking Construction:

1. Stocking must have a Christmas, or winter holiday theme.
2. Stocking must be complete with a hanging loop.
3. Stocking may be made of any fabric materials, any technique, embellished or not, lined or not. It does not need to be quilted.
4. Stockings must have a minimum length of 14 inches. The maximum is 18 inches. Stockings may NOT be wider than the length.
5. The toe must **POINT RIGHT WHEN HUNG**.
6. It is the responsibility of the maker to follow all copyright rules in regard to any design and/or pattern use.

Voting:

1. Bring cash (no coins) to the **December 5, 2023**, meeting to vote.
2. Voting will be conducted **before the meeting** and during a 10 minute break in the meeting.
3. Voting will be conducted by placing cash in the stocking of your choice.
4. Votes will be counted during the evening and winners announced at the end of the meeting.
5. After voting, contest officials will consolidate the vote money, which will be given as a donation to Children's Home Society with the stockings.

Awards:

1. The guild will provide awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for the stockings with the highest vote totals. (\$100/\$75/\$50). Checks will be made out to the person or chapter name on the entry form.
2. Any decisions of the contest officials (such as disqualification for size) is final.

