

Guild General Meeting, April 2, 2024

Laurel Manor Recreation Center

President Deb Silva opened the meeting at 7pm with The Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Guild Purpose. Three new members and April birthdays were recognized. The Host chapter was Rohan Quilters.

<u>Reports</u>

Secretary's report of minutes is posted on the QGOTV website.

Treasurer's Report – Financial reports are distributed monthly to the Chapter Presidents and available for viewing for any member through their chapter President. Quarterly membership checks were available to be collected from Patti after the meeting.

Membership – Nanette Fahler said our membership is now at 1,235

Charities – No report

Honor Flight – Julienne Brodrick collected Honor Flight quilts before and after the meeting.

Cornerstone – Sterling Stitchers took any Cornerstone Quilts.

Children's Home Society – No report - Childrens Home Society is looking for a Coordinator

Deb introduced Theresa Ierardi as Chairman of the Nominating Committee. The Guild is looking for candidates for Vice President and Secretary for 2025. Theresa said that we will need a representative from each chapter for this committee and if you're on the committee you may not be nominated. Theresa plans on only one to two meetings for this committee. If we do not have any candidates or volunteers, we may not have a Guild.

Yvonne Wecker said that past president Ardie Wood was overwhelmed by her gift of a quilt with 576 individual signatures from Guild members. The quilt measured 97 x 97 inches and was presented to her at a Mamie's Quilters meeting.

Yvonne said there are two M2M classes on the website coming up to take note of;

The Lola Cross Body Bag on April 13th and Walking Foot Quilting on May 11th. Please see the website to sign-up.

There are also leftover Angela Walters pillow panels (size 20 x 20) for sale on the website

The May visiting artist was suggested by Rohan member, Marie Dufour. Kyra Reps will present "My Quilting Journey" at the May 7th Guild meeting at 7pm. There are 24 slots open for her class on the Mandala Quilt.

Yvonne apologized for what she labeled as her disrespectful and unkind comment made to Carol Thurston at the March Eboard meeting.

Yvonne introduced the evening's guest artist, Emma Jane Powell. Emma's presentation was Arpilleras – Women's Resistance Through Textile Art.

Arpilleras were a form of craft art resistance born during the Chilean dictatorship in the 1970's – 90's. Women communicated what was happening to the outside world with these picture textiles resembling quilts. Emma detailed various Arpilleras from that period and what they reflected. Emma gave a history and political lecture for this period in South America and how important this fiber art was to its women creators.

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Emma is featured here with some of the Arpilleras on display at the Guild meeting



There were seven Show and Tell prizes awarded as well as winners of the 50/50 cash prizes. Three members won prizes for the nametag drawing.

The meeting ended at 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Julienne Brodrick QGOTV Secretary