

# THE MACHINE QUILTER

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: Sandy Gard

Vice Pres: Brenda Esslinger

Secretary: Diane Cerny

Treasurer: Colleen Billen

## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Website: Alan Hawkins

Membership: Brenda Williams

Publicity: OPEN

Programs: OPEN

Newsletter: Nancy Griffin

Librarian: Rita Tornatin

## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT SANDY GARD

Hey LA quilters,

We had a great meeting this month. We went over a simple business plan for small businesses and then had a round table discussion on the good things that we are doing and how to stay focused and be intentional in our business to grow and increase customer base. We ended with a short business meeting and show and share. We also projected our next few meetings. Next meeting in July we will have a garage sale. Tables will rent for \$10.00 and be for selling anything sewing related, so be sure and mail in your money to reserve your table. I have always had success in selling my items I no longer use and ended up buying someone else items they no longer use. That is a win-win situation for me. Look on our website to get contact information for Colleen Billen our new treasurer. In October we will have a program called "How do I quilt this quilt?" We all come across that quilt that we scratch our head and wonder what in the world to do for the price the piecer wants to pay. We will have a slide show and design quilt designs

for each quilt. Should be fun. In our January meeting Marilyn Karper or my self will do a presentation. Marilyn has been a professional photographer for several large quilt shows and she will help us on what to look for in an award winning quilt and how to take a good photo of your quilt. I will be giving a talk in the future on what the judge sees in 3-5 minutes. I am finishing up my credentials for the NACQJ to become a certified judge. I have been judging shows for the past 4 years and will let you in on what the judge is looking for. Also, we are having a time each meeting to ask the quilter. Our longarm machine will be loaded with fabric and we can ask questions and see a demonstration of how to execute a design.

We have a great year planned so please don't miss a meeting. Our guild is only as strong as its members so please be active and let's grow together.

Piece out,  
Sandy

## REMINDERS

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*Next Meeting: Saturday, July 21, 2018*

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GARAGE SALE – NO BUSINESS MEETING

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***PROGRAMS CHAIRMAN***

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**We do not currently have a program chairman. Please consider this position for the next term. If you can't serve as chairman, at least submit ideas for upcoming programs.**

## MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

**Secretary Diane Cerny**



### Minutes of April 21, 2018

Meeting began at 10 a.m. with a program by Sandy Gard on the parts of a business plan for a longarm business, business etiquette, etc.

Door prizes were given

Business meeting began 12:40 p.m.:

Al Coster announced a new segment to our meetings – “Ask the Quilter”, then answered quilting questions from members.

Future programs were discussed. In July we will have a Garage Sale. October's program is entitled “How would you quilt this quilt?”, plus a member's magazine swap. Marilyn Karper will be asked to present January's program.

Library – no report

Membership – no report

Small Groups – Nancy Griffin reported the new small group had a good first meeting with 5 members. They will continue to meet at Nancy’s home the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6-8 p.m.

Positive Tomorrows – Joyce Curtis brought tops that need quilting. She thanked our membership for our help.

Treasurer’s Report – Al Coster made a motion to accept the budget. Brenda Williams 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Show and Share

Meeting adjourned 1:35 p.m.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Brenda Esslinger

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT- No report**



Please bring all Library items back to the next meeting. Rita is trying to get a true inventory. We know there are some items that need to be replaced, but until we see what we have already, we cannot do that.

**DON'T FORGET!!!! Next meeting is July 21, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. The Quilted Hart, Newcastle, OK.**

**Garage Sale. No business meeting.**