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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Boy did I have a good time. I just got back from MQS and it was a big improvement from last year. There were a lot of the old crowd there and many new quilts to see. MQS teamed up with the local guild in Cedar Rapids and that presented a lot more quilts to see. They were all very good.

Intelliquilter presented a new product they are in the process of engineering. StatiQ is a new system for sit down quilters. This system is a new type of table to work with the sit down machines (similar to domestic quilting). The table holds the quilt and allows either free hand quilting by moving the quilt and table or using the Intelliquilter to move the table as a computer guided system. I will discuss this system at the next meeting.

Speaking of our meeting, I really enjoyed the last meeting. All went very well and we accomplished a lot of sewing and sharing of ideas. I wish more of you could have been there, I think you would have had a good time also.

The next meeting in July will be our garage sale. I need anyone that wishes a table to sell your products to let me know so I can arrange enough tables are set up. A table only costs \$10 so plan on getting a table.

We will also have a short regular meeting in July so bring any show and tell or questions you may have.

See you in July, Al Coster

URGENT REMINDER:

The next meeting will be held at Will Rogers Park. 9 A.M.

See address below

Okla. Machine Quilters Assoc.
Will Rogers Park
Garden Exhibition Hall
Oklahoma City, OK 73112
www.OKMOA..org

FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Marilyn Karper

Membership

As you may know, our Same But Different Quilts will be on display next month (July 17-18) at the Central Oklahoma Quilters Guild show at the Cox Pavilion Center at the Fairgrounds. I am selling advertising for the program for that show. If you are interested, let me know! A business card ad is only \$30. Not only will you reach quilters - your market - they will be the people who see your work hanging in the show. Great value for the money and it helps defray the cost of the program. Please help out and advertise with us!

To advertise, mail me a check and your business card. Your check needs to be made out to "COQG". I will then give you a receipt which will be deductible. Please act quickly! I need to have this to the printer two weeks before the show and I need time to get it all "camera ready". First to sign up...gets the better spots!

Larger page ads are also available. Just contact me asap! marilyn@karperquilting.com

REMINDERS

Next Meeting: Saturday, July 25, 2015 9:00 a.m. – Will Rogers Park (see address above). Date was changed due to the COQG Quilt show conflict. Many of our members will be working the show.

Program: Garage Sale



MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

Secretary Rena Powers

Oklahoma Machine Quilter's Association

April 18, 2015

Minutes

Al Coster called the meeting to order.

Visitors: 2 visitors. One visitor was Melissa Lyon with Meadowlyon Patterns. She brought new pattern flyers and a \$ 6.00 certificate with the next order.

Minutes were read and accepted as read.

Activities: Peggy

The Challenge due today was the Trapunto. 3 people were prompt responders. Al Coster, Carol and Brenda Williams. Next month's CHALLENGE is → Also trapunto. You can still get prompt responder points if you bring your trapunto to the July Meeting.

FUTURE CHALLENGES: due IN September → Talking Quilts- like Affirmation statements
 Tips for writing on quilt with your machine: Use polyester thread, have tiny stitch length, write it out with a pencil 3 times for brain training.

SAME But Different: Shows: Went to Weatherford,... in July will go to COQG. They have gone to Western Oklahoma Quilt Guild.

Dollmaker Show in September 26th. They want a bed turning of interesting quilts. If you have a quilt with an interesting story, let me know.

Class of "Stitch & Rip" wearables. Maybe in Lawton. Done by a lady from Texas. Will know more later.

SAME BUT DIFFERENT packages have been handed out. GET them done ahead of time!!!!

Newsletter: Nancy

Please send ideas for stories to her right after the meeting, so she can plan the newsletter.

Library: Peggy

Deposit on videos when checked out. Make copies of things you think would be good additions to the group library.

Treasurer: \$ 3,075 at end of meeting.

Membership: absent..1 new member today.- - 5 new members, -- 4 are from small group meeting.

Webmaster: membership list: How to get it to all members once a year. Maybe by PDF ?

Small Group Meeting: 4 meetings since January. SouthSide—Averaging 15 to 25 at a meeting. May may be the final Trapunto meeting. New program will start in June. New idea: people with computerized machine meet to talk about their knowledge.

Same But Different Program: we will have a new pattern every year. They will be collected in JULY! ALL must be in by October meeting so they can be shown in January. PLEASE PUT back into large bag to turn in. When done displaying – those that will donate—can go to V.A. hospital BE sure to put a SLEEVE on the back.

Pins : More later

BIG DEAL:→ New officers to be voted on in October. Slate so far.....

Brenda Esslinger- Vice President

Lea Alspaugh- Treasurer

Need more volunteers to make this a fun time with many getting involved. See bylaws for duties.

Al Coster has a notebook for new President- This will help tremendously to streamline the new position. Committees need volunteers to keep the ideas fresh and new. Activities is fun. Can we hear a volunteer...

Next Meeting -- July 11, 2015. This is before the COQG show.

*** (due to last minute changes, this last line is wrong. See above. Editor)*

It is a GARAGE SALE. If you want a table, let Al know, so he can have the right number of tables set up. You bring and price anything you want to sell to show on your table.

Reminders about Yahoo Groups- check your settings to see if you are set to receive “individual” setting. Also check the e-mail you have registered there, to be sure it is the one that Al has on record. This helps you get the important e-mails sent out.

OLD Business: Certificates were given to Mike & Shirley Waters.

“Positive Tomorrow” Quilts- turn in to Brenda Esslinger.

Show & Tell: 3 were shown.

Tips for old quilts When one is falling apart, could cover with netting ...tule... then stipple close and it saves it even the loose pieces. Can be done over the ties on a tied quilt.

Mrs. Coster showed 2 “Bonnie Hunter” quilts and older quilt and some UFO blocks.

Brenda Esslinger showed free motion blues and pinwheels on computer.

Judy- showed some tools....clear tubing ‘ 1 inch” to cut in short strips and cover bobbins –Yes, you can still see the thread color through it.

The Meeting was adjourned.

VICE PRESIDENT:

OKMQA Activities and SBD notes from April 2015

Same But Different

1. The Quilts had a trip to Lawton Wichita Mountains Quilt Show – thanks to Johnnie Cloon for making the round trip on our behalf.
2. Trip to Weatherford Quilt guild – thanks to Shirley and Mike Waters’ who presented a program to the Western Oklahoma Quilt Guild.
3. Our SBD quilts were requested by a Doll Makers group having a show in MWC on September 26th and 27th. They would like for us to present a 30 minute bed turning during their banquet at 6:30 pm on Saturday, September 26th. The theme is “Tell Me a Story.” Our 2 volunteers would be guests enjoying the BBQ dinner as well. Thank you to Karen Candler and Nancy Griffin for volunteering to assist me. Jody Cook is Show Chairman of Expo 2015 Doll Show and I will confirm this booking for our SBD quilts.

Stitch & Rip Wearables Class with Barbara Crawford of Texas.

The Stitching Memories quilt guild of Lawton has been in contact with Barbara Crawford, but they have not set a date for a class. Possible class dates for the Lawton group could be July or August 2015. The group have my email and phone number – no contact with me to date. I am exploring the feasibility of scheduling a class and sharing expenses with this group. Contact for Lawton group is Carol Capshaw.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Grinsteiner

ACTIVITIES :

Activities Challenge – Trapunto

Prompt Responders:

Al Coster, Brenda Williams, and Carol Coster

“Sooner or Later” from previous challenges:

For the Tools challenge, Judy Dry entered a threaded bobbin tamer made of plastic tubing.

Trapunto Challenge – Extended to July 2015 meeting.

Peggy Grinsteiner

Activities Chairperson

DON'T FORGET!!!! The meeting place and time have changed.

See address above.