

July 9, 2011

Friendship Quilters Guild of Alabama meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Peggy Williams. She then welcomed members and guest Teresa Nance. Nancy Araial is moving to Oregon (45 minutes from Sisters). We will miss her.

Opening "Time" was passed out by President Peggy Williams and read by Shelia Robertson..

Beth Staples, Paige Everett, and Mary Casey were thanked for the refreshments.

June Minutes were included in the Newsletter. Florence Kerr moved, Jackie White seconded that the minutes be approved as posted. Motion carried.

Donna Nicholson gave the treasurer's report. Margaret Rose moved and Vicky Morrison seconded the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Opportunity Quilt pictures and tickets are ready. Tickets are bundled in 25s. When you turn your tickets in, the number you turn in will be verified with the amount you turn in. We discussed various places to sell tickets for the opportunity quilt.

Donna Nicholson discussed the quilt show. She encouraged everyone to go ahead and send in entry forms so that she will know how many quilt racks the guild will need to display the quilts. She will also need a commitment for someone to help pick up the frames from Birmingham guild. Florence has a trailer but we would need a truck to pull it. Entry forms are on the table and the web site. We have virtually the entire civic center for the quilt show and can have one room for the quilt show and one for quilts of valor display. We discussed if we will have vendors in a separate room as Birmingham Quilt Guild does for their show.

We will have a board meeting July 30 at 9:00 a.m. at the Glen Community Center.

Margaret Rose reported on star blocks from United Notions and Fabric (Moda) that they were made in response to a challenge for Quilts of Valor. If the center is available, we will have a sew day after the board meeting.

Betsy Batson had a Quilts of Valor sew day for Ben Talbotson. His mother said that he already has two red, white, and blue. So, she is donating the quilt to our Veterans Home project.

Lura Campbell is coming next month to talk about the Convergence Quilt that Ricky Tims came up with. She will give a class about it on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September at our sew in. It will not be big enough for a twin size, but can be used as a panel to make it big enough. Florence can order the books if we want. We need to tell Florence in plenty of time for her to order it.

A gaggle of pinewheels was the block of the month. (It's a very nice block with a star that could be a quilt of valor block.)

Vicky Morrison won the fat quarters. She has been on a diet and is looking wonderful.

Florence Kerr passed out birthday presents to Beth Staples, Peggy Williams, and Jane Wilson.

Judy Boozer will be back next month with the raffle. We will use the money from the raffle for our lunches at the 3-day sew-in in September. Next month will have more than one surprise raffle and will be extra special.

Door prizes were won by Sally Day, Jackie White, Donna Nicholson, Margaret Rose, and Brenda Franklin.

Pell City Walmart is getting their bolts of fabric section back. It will have a new person over it unless we let the manager know we want Mo back.

Terry Ware's mother, Vaughn Watson is in the hospital with heart problems.

Keith Russell is doing good, but not eating as well as Terry would like, although his weight is stable.

Sally reported that a Tommy Sue is not doing so well.

Florence Kerr's father is doing good. However, her grandson Kevin who has hemophilia will have his teeth removed, so that is a serious surgery. He is 22 years old. After the oral surgery, he will have knee surgery.

Donna Nicholson reported that daughter, Mary Huey had to have a permanent pace-maker.

Show and Tell:

Donna Crow did Churndash with scriptures. The blocks were from last year's block of the month. Donna also showed her father-in-law's Navy quilt of valor.

Aline Gardner showed her block of the month from Heart to Heart. She also showed her panel quilt of valor.

Margaret Rose showed a potato chip Purple Heart quilt with a gold back that has a purple heart appliquéd on it.

Nancy Arail showed a quilt of valor rail fence in honor of Gene Johnson.

Paige Everett did "in the mix" in honor of her uncles that were in the Army.

Sally Day showed her butterfly quilt that she made for Casey Sanders who was a storm victim. She also did a bow tie which will go to Casey's older sister.

Betsy Batson showed her sawtooth star block quilt of valor that was a group project.

Margaret Rose moved, Paige Everett seconded that the meeting be adjourned. As there was no objections, everyone broke into small discussion groups.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Rose, Secretary