Omaha Quilter's Guild General Membership Meeting March 10, 2015 Westside Community Center Meeting Minutes

President Linda Holman welcomed new and current members as well as visitors. She thanked the "Hands All Around" small group for being the ambassadors for the evening.

Committee reports:

President-elect: Amy Robertson asked members to consider serving as presidentelect or treasurer. She will be publishing the slate of officers for next year in the newsletter. Voting will take place in April.

Golden Thimble: Dee Acklie announced that this award is selected by past presidents for someone who has provided outstanding service to the guild. The three past-presidents on this committee are Dee, Carol McCann and Jackie Heyne. The award will be presented at the May meeting.

Programs: Gerry read a thank you that she received from Mary Fons. Gerry announced that the hand-dying class taught by Cindy Lohbeck on Tuesday, April 14 still has openings. The cost is \$45 for the class and \$100 for the kit that includes everything needed to dye 9 yards of fabric. A choice of color must be made. Please let Gerry know your choice if you are signed up for the class. May's classes with Sue Daly will be held on Monday, May 11 and Tuesday, May 12. Members may select from 2 kits. Please let Gerry know your choice as soon as possible.

Rising Stars: Lynn Doyle thanked all who participated in this evening's program. April's program will have Ellen Lessman teaching members about needles and thread. She indicated that "surprise" gifts may be available. May's program will be an antique quilt show and "tea party." Hats may be worn! Lynn also announced that she is willing to continue to chair this committee next year.

Block Exchange: Jeanette Podwinski presented the blocks to one winner. She also announced that she still had kits for next month's block.

Library: Janelle Reed announced that the new library program, "Librarything.com" has a lending function. Members may put a book "on hold." This means that a member may request a book online and the library committee will have the book available for the member to pick up at the next meeting. She also asked quilters to remember to return books that they have checked out previously.

Camp Wannamakablankie: Vicki Hoskovec announced that the registration form is available online. Forms should be mailed with a deposit of half the cost of the retreat to LeAnne Killion. The remaining amount is due in August. Camp will be held on October 16-18. Check the prices online.

Quilts of Valor: Mary Zagozda thanked all those who came to the February sewin. They meet on the 4th Saturday of each month at Jackie Heyne's shop, A Quilting Place. Their next sew-in will be on March 28 from 9 - 4.

Quilt Show: Tammy Magill informed members that quilt entries must be received by April 14. Quilts will be collected in June. She reminded members that they will be asked to work 2 hours for each quilt that is entered. There will be a "Sew-In" on Saturday at Woodman Lodge on 7525 D Street to make items for the auction. She has over 20 kits ready to be sewn. The quilt show judge has been hired. Vendors are still needed. A batting was awarded to one lucky member who is currently working on their challenge quilt.

Membership: 136 members were present along with 8 guests and 3 new members. Janet Hall and Frances Williamson presented a number of door prizes.

Show and Tell: Members who took Lynn's class showed samples of their work. A number of other members brought items to show as well.

Program: Lynn Hagmeier of Kansas Troubles spoke to members and presented a trunk show.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish