Omaha Quilters Guild General Membership Meeting German-American Society September 13, 2016

Call to Order

OQG President, Angella Arndt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Welcome

President Angella Arndt welcomed old members along with new members and guests.

New Business

President Angella Arndt announced that the 2016-2017 budget was approved by the Board and was posted online.

Announcements

The Lincoln Quilt Guild was visiting to sell tickets for their opportunity quilt.

<u>Vice President Programing</u> -Maureen Cass reported that the speaker for October is Mickey Lawler from Connecticut. She will be speaking on "Creating Your Own Fabric". Class is scheduled for October 10th and 11th - Painting Landscape Fabric. Members may sign up for the class at the meeting or on the website.

Committee Reports

Historian-Darcy Jorgensen - 2017 Calendars are available - there are two formats. The price is \$15.00.

Membership-Frances Williamson - 135 members and 5 guests in attendance.

2017 Quilt Show-Corrine Mittag - Bookmarks and save the date cards are printed and ready for distribution. If anyone is interested on serving on a committee for the quilt show, please contact Corrine. Quilt Show meetings will be held at St Paul's Methodist Church in Papillion.

Camp WannaMakeaBlankie-Vicki Hoskovec -The fall retreat is Oct 21-23, 2016. 59 people are currently registered. Rooms are still available, but final reservations will be taken through tonight's general meeting.

Children's' Emergency Fund-Pat Sears - Please pick up your fabric kit for the stocking challenge. For those that do not know about the Children's Emergency Fund Program, please stop by our table to pick up a brochure. Pat gave a briefing on a program called "Booties for Cuties" that have requested donations by OQG members. Members may make or purchase booties to bring to her at the next general meeting.

Helping Hands-Angie Reed - A quilt was presented to College of St. Mary's choir representatives to raffle off and raise funds to offset expenses for their annual international trip. A quilt will be presented to the family of Jeff Dyer to raffle off to raise funds to offset medical expenses. Ruth Henderson has requested a raffle quilt for At Risk Kid's 10th Anniversary.

Holiday Party-Carol McCann - Tickets will be available for sale at the October general meeting. Price is \$20.00 per ticket.

Home of the Brave-Windy Benigno -Windy reported that 30 quilts will be distributed. The break down is Virgin Islands (6), American Samoa (11), Marianas Island (5), Micronesia (4), Marshall Island (1), Palau (1) and (2) more to Guam. She has enough quilts to meet the objective. Help is needed to long arm and bind quilts. Kits are available to pick up. Librarian-Janelle Reed-Check out books that are available.

Small Groups-Jane Jones-if you are interested in joining a small group, contact Jane Jones.

2016 - 2017 Quilt Mom- Claudia Sprinkel - The opportunity quilt is on display at A Quilting Place. The quilt is on display at tonight's meeting. Raffle tickets were re-bundled from groups of 20 to groups of 10 in preparation for sales to the members at the October meeting. All OQG members are asked to purchase a book of 10 tickets.

Quilts for Veterans-Kerby Selmer- Quilts for Veterans meets the 4th Saturday of the month from 9 am to 1 pm at A Quilting Place in Omaha. Kirby thanked members of the Knot Yet small group for their assistance in cutting fabric for quilt kits.

Spring Fling Retreat-Gerry Cordes - The Spring Fling Retreat will be from February 3-5, 2017. More information to follow.

Block Exchange-Barbara Andrysik - Stop by the Blocks for Exchange table to pick up this month's pattern.

Raffle Prizes

Raffle prizes were distributed. Members were encouraged to send thank you notes to the donors.

Program

Connie Lange from Norfolk, Nebraska who is a Judy Neimeyer Certified Instructor, presented a trunk show displaying quilts made from Judy Neimeyer patterns. The quilts were beautiful and amazing.

Show and Tell

Several members brought quilts to show.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Molly Phillips Recording Secretary