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# Sinnissippi Quilters, Inc.

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**Sinnissippi Quilters Guild  
April 4, 2024  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
Grace United Methodist Church  
1pm and 6:30pm**

**Call meeting to order: Janis Albeck (A) 1:02 PM**  
**Sandy Hillis (E) 6:30 PM**

**Greet** – Please turn off phones. Make sure to sign in.

Two beautiful quilts are on display that have been donated by a family from Wesley Willows. Discussion as to how to sell them and how to determine pricing. It was suggested that E Bay could be helpful, to see how much quilts actually sold for. That won't be necessary since one of our members purchased both of them during the afternoon meeting: )

A letter was received from United Lutheran Church about their project of making waterproof pads to be distributed to homeless folks. Treasures out of Trash. Needed supplies are: scissors, ruler and plenty of clean plastic grocery bags. They meet the second Thursday of each month at 10:00AM and welcome us to join in this project. Address is 3630 N. Rockton Avenue.

Robin introduced our speaker: Lisa Erlandson, from Texas, on topic Frankenquilt, via zoom.

**Programs:** Robin Gausebeck /Lori Dickman

The UFO challenge project number for April was #6. New drawing is # 1 which will be due at the May Meeting. Winners of the UFO drawing were Roberta S. and Deanne S.

April – Lisa Erlandson – Afternoon “Frankenquilts” and Evening “Quilts In Our Time”

May – Business Meeting, Show and Tell and Quilt Show Preparations

May 4-5 - Quilt Show

June – Deb Strain – Afternoon and Evening “Designing Fabric” In Person and will have items for sale.



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July 11<sup>th</sup> – Ice Cream Social

**Treasurer:** Coleen O’Kane/Janis Albeck

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Annually we present the Proposed Budget and the slate of officers for the next year. Usually we do that in May, but with the Quilt Show this year there are several people who won’t be able to attend in May. We are going to present both this month and again in May. The vote to approve them will be in person at the June meeting. Coleen will present the Proposed Budget for 2024-2025 and answer questions first. Then Kris Allen will present the slate of officers in the afternoon and Marie Stenger will present them in the evening. They will then ask for nominations from the floor. Peg Provenza volunteered for the position of Evening Membership. Thank you !

**Special Projects:** Pam Surmo/Linda Egeland/Sherry DeBuhr

There were 24 neonatal quilts on hand; 63 received; 44 delivered; 43 on hand.

63 Quilts were turned in during the March Sew-In. Great job ladies!!

There were 63 pillowcases on hand; 15 received; 10 delivered; 68 on hand.

There were 18 fidget quilts; 0 received; 0 delivered; 18 on hand.

**S.P.A.M.** Pam Surmo

Next SPAM is April 6th at Cherry Valley Library 9:30-4:00 working on Casserole Carriers. Roberta did put the materials needed on the eblast. You can also bring your own project to work on.

Next CFS at Goodwill is April 25<sup>th</sup>. The project is yet to be determined.

**Comfort Quilts:** Vicki Tallacksen - Continue making 12.5" Any color or pattern you chose is fine. Please sign the block.

**Lutheran Social Services:** Carol Swenson

They need small quilts (12x12" up to 20x20") for children going into foster care. This may be their only possession.



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## **Quilt School:** Becky Harvey

Becky Harvey will provide information as she gets into it after the Quilt Show is over.

## **Retreat:** Marie Tovo

16<sup>th</sup> Annual Patchwork by the Lake Quilt Retreat will be November 14-17, 2024.  
Start thinking about it now.

## **Mini Groups:** Send information Roberta Suess for the newsletter/Eblasts.

Southern Quilters Mini group meets the Monday after the Guild meeting from 9:30 to 1:00 at the Byron Library

## **Quilt Show:** Bonnie Hodina/Roberta Suess

Bonnie added sponsors to the Facebook page. Check it out!

Jan White, Jan Person and Kris Allen are working on the sponsor letters.

Karen Grover is heading up the temperature banners. Still needed is month of October.

Bookmarks are available for you to distribute, as are posters.

Dresden Plate Medallions are all in.

Georgy, Jan White and Jan Person are working hard on Loveable Leftovers.

Amy Ottens is collecting Silent Auction items. Please bring them in as soon as possible so she has time to prepare baskets for them. She has approximately 60 at this time.

More volunteers are needed in this area.

Demo Booth schedule will be out at the meeting. The people who volunteered for doing demos are all lined up. I believe that we have the required amount of doll quilts. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Norma Copes has the quilts she needs for Bed Turning.

Roberta and Julie picked up the quilt racks and Roberta is storing them until the show.

So far, there are 89 quilts entered for judging and/or display and 14 vendors signed up.

Deanne and will be making announcements at radio stations two weeks before the show and on the 29<sup>th</sup> she will be on TV with Andy on a morning show to announce the Quilt Show.

The Board discussed the Membership special at the Quilt Show again this year. If they sign up for 2024-2025 at the Quilt Show they will get June and July this year for free. Next meetings are April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30.

## **Quilt Show Raffle Quilt 2024 Committee:** Silvia Vaughn/Sandy Pyper

Please get your signed raffle tickets and money turned in to Silvia and Sandy as soon as possible. They will be at the afternoon and evening meetings to get those collected.

They are going to Lake Bluff during April.



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**Audio/Visual Standing Committee:** Bonnie Hodina (A). Roberta Suess (E)  
Bonnie put together instructions for working the AV equipment. Thank you to Jodie Savage who has volunteered to help with the evening meeting.

**Historian and RAAC Liaison:** Donna Langford  
Donna is currently going through the scrapbooks and developing a plan to make them more accessible.

**Facebook:** Lynn Brown is posting pictures of show and tell and others sent to her. She can either post them as she gets them or hold them until the meeting. Be sure to let her know if you do not want your picture on FaceBook. Please supply her with a picture of yourself so that she knows what you look like. Facebook submissions must go to Lynn Brown for her to post.

**Membership:** Sue Layng/Shary Yerk (A) Carol Folkerts/Jackie Wilson (E):

\*Membership total to date: 139

\*Attendance April 4, 2024:

\*Afternoon: In Person 71 Zoom 11 Guests 5 New Members 1.

Evening: In Person 34 Zoom 14 Guests 0 New Members 0.

Name tag drawing: (A) Dawn Rand (E) Peggy Provenza

Birthday: (A) Barb Clucas (E) none.

No Name Tag: (A) \$5.05 (E) \$1.50

**Webmaster/Publications:** Roberta Suess

Roberta sends out our weekly E-Blasts. The due date for any submission will be the Wednesday beforehand. Send your information to Roberta Suess.

Mini Group information is listed on the website. For those of you involved in mini groups, please write up a brief description of what your group is working on and get it to Roberta for the E-Blasts.

Any members who do not have a computer, please contact a board member or other member who will share the E-Blast information.

**Old Business:** Janis Albeck/Sandy Hillis

\*Remember to save your Hobbs UPC labels and give them to the Treasurer.

It is working well having a greeter at the door each month. Thank you to all who have volunteered to be part of that. We still need volunteers for helping with set-up and clean up. The sign-up sheet is on the membership table.



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I ordered the Tri-folds and the Invite Cards from 11<sup>th</sup> Street Printing. They did send me the updated invite card to approve before it was printed and everything will be done in about a week.

## **New Business:**

Roberta Suess and Mary Leach have an idea they would like to share: to honor Luanne Hanna and to help replace the hundreds of neo-natal quilts she produced; we are establishing Luanne's Lullaby. You can join by sewing (panel) neo-natal quilts; when you have made 5 or more, you will receive a lapel pin. There will be a Luanne's Lullaby label to sew on, in addition to the Sinnissippi label.

In addition, there will be a sale of Luanne's kits, supplies and sewing machines in the barn at Quilter's General Store on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

DeKalb County Quilters will be here with their raffle quilt June 6<sup>th</sup>. They are having their Quilt Show October 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Any other Business?**

Roberta presented six Secret Agent quilts made by members who participated in the workshop given by Bill and Weeks. They are the same pattern but with unique take on it.

**Show and Tell drawing winners:** (A) Bonnie Hodina (E) Becky Harvey

Motion to adjourn. (A) Linda Egeland 2<sup>nd</sup> Barb Lang.

(E) Mary Leach 2<sup>nd</sup> Teresa Murphy

Time: (A) 4:02 PM (E) 7:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Allen,

Secretary