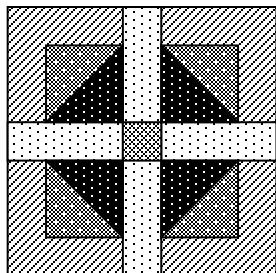

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MEETING MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 21, 2024

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Forreston Grove Church, 7246 Freeport Road, Freeport Rd., Forreston, IL

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR March 17, 2025

THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

Hello all,

March comes in like a lion goes out like a lamb....we will see. LOL!

For some reason I am not getting much quality time in my sewing lair. But that doesn't stop the want to do projects from piling up. I try to meet any deadlines but sometimes that doesn't work out. How do you do manage your projects? I am hoping that if I ever retire, I will have more time. I've heard "don't hold your breath."

Waiting patiently for some color to pop up outside to brighten the dreary landscape. Ground sure is muddy by the amount of mud the dogs want to bring in the house.

Hope to see everyone at this month's meeting!

Stay safe, lighthearted, and sew on.

Jennifer



TREASURER'S REPORT

CCQG, MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 2025

Program: "There's a special ruler for that."
Five of our members demonstrated the use and brought projects made with different specialty rulers. Ruth showed what the Twister ruler is all about. Chyree brought the Hex N More, Quick Curve and 60-degree Triangle rulers. Fran showed us what the Deb Tucker 180 rulers can do. Rhonda explained how the folded corner ruler could really simplify our life. Kay shared a bunch of projects made using the Quick Curve ruler. It was interesting to see how each ruler was used to make the different blocks. These ladies were full of enthusiasm and inspiration.

After a break where members examined the rulers and had refreshments, the meeting was called to order by President Jennifer Newcomer at 8:20 pm. There were 29 members present. Linda Palmer won the Name Tag drawing and Deb Ley won the Show and Tell drawing. Kathy King made a motion to accept the minutes in the January Newsletter, and Kay Walker seconded. The treasures Report was reviewed and will be held for annual audit by the Executive Board.

New Business

Kay Walker talked with the group about instead of having a holiday gift exchange, that maybe we could make an item that we could offer as a donation. Book pillows, stuffed animals and books were offered as

suggestions. Kay discussed the programs that were lined up for the year.

Calling Tree: Ruth Whitney brought forward the idea of doing away with the calling tree and having members accept email or texts for notifications. There are very few members on the calling tree and there seems to be uncertainty on how to use it. A reply to the notification is necessary to ensure that everyone has received and understood the message. Ruth is going to try and reset the remind system for text messaging. When she is able to do that, everyone will be getting a welcome text.

Quilt Show: Shauna Heck Quilt Show is 6 weeks away. Keep advertising!! Quilts of Valor is looking for recipients to be awarded a quilt at the quilt show. There is one candidate who Shauna will be contacting. Please bring forward anyone else to Shauna or Sue Sturtevant. Requesting people to donate cookies for the vendors and volunteers. Donna Saxby volunteered to be cookie chairperson.

Entry form deadline for quilts is 3/17/25. Quilts from people outside the Guild will be accepted if entered by 3/17/25. Sleeves must have a 3-inch opening and be attached by stitching or safety pinning.

Volunteer signups are going well. There will be lunch available for the vendors and volunteers. Wear your name badges and shirts.

Challenge quilts due by 3/17/25. No sleeves needed. Need workshop projects from the last 3 years to display at the Guild table.

So far there are 6 vendors.

Donation Jar-Margaret motioned to give any donations to Quilts of Valor. Rhonda seconded.

Storage: Chyree Rohde-Lincoln has a shelf that will fit in our space in the storage room at the church. The cost is \$75. Donalee motioned to pay for the shelf, Margaret seconded.

Service Project Chairperson: Doreen Hartman volunteered to serve as chairperson.

Old Business:

Raffle Sales: Kathy Clark said sales aren't quite where she hoped and encouraged us to keep selling.

Warm ups: We would like to get this program going again and are looking for volunteers to take turns doing a demonstration before each meeting.

Announcements: READ THE NEWSLETTER! There is lots of great information packed into the newsletter. Sometimes if you have a question, you can find the answer there.

Ruth got an email about an exhibition being held at the Freeport Art Museum. It's called Art in Every Stitch. Deadline for entry is 5/10/25. The show is August 1-11, 2025.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Shauna Heck, Sandy Shelly seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Sturtevant,
Secretary

MARCH PROGRAM/WORKSHOP

The afternoon Workshop on alterations is cancelled as we only had two sign up.

The evening program will be Alterations Tips and Tools by our own Jeannie Brinkmeier.

Kay Walker, 2025 Program Chair

BEE KEEPER'S MESSAGE

The Bee will be open at ten. We have quilt sleeves available for you to sew on your quilts for the show. They are free.

Kay Walker, Bee Keeper

2025 QUILT SHOW INFORMATION

Oh, how quickly the show is coming, about 1 month away! Friday April 11 (10 am-4pm) and Saturday April 12 (10 am-3pm). Set up will be Thursday April 10 (10 am), Jane Addams Community Center in Cedarville, IL. This year's theme is Garden of Quilts.

1. Please turn in your quilt entry form to Mary as soon as possible so she can work on typing up the information to be displayed with your quilts. The deadline is **March 17, 2025, but sooner the better**. This will let us know about how many quilts we will have.
2. Non-members will be able to enter a quilt for the show.
3. The sleeve must have at least a 3" opening. I will attach a sample of how to make your sleeve. Attach your sleeves by sewing, basting or us "SAFETY PINS". **No straight pins**
4. On larger quilts please measure. The bottom edge of your quilt to the bottom of your sleeve can not be

longer than 84". We would prefer quilts to not touch the floor.

5. I have attached the volunteer sign up form, this show can only go on with the help of each of us volunteering to help. You can email me to sign up or I will have it at the next couple of meetings to sign up.
6. If you are volunteering for the day, you will not be required to pay an entry fee to the show that day.
7. **Please wear your name badges!!!!**
8. **Challenge quilt!** You do not need to attach a sleeve to your challenge quilt. I am having something built to be able to display them. This is going to be a blind vote so I will not have forms for you to fill out. Please bring your challenge quilt to either the **Feb. 27 or March 17th** meeting along with your crayons. If you cannot make either meeting, please let me know and I will meet you sometime to pick it up. Your quilt will then be assigned a number, and I will have a tag that can be attached to the back of the quilt with your name on it. I will also have a form that will have your name and assigned number on. Guests will then be able to vote for the number assigned to the quilt that they like the best. Please let me know if you have any questions about this!
9. I will have brochures made up to have at our guild table letting guests know about our guild and with information on how to become a member.
10. Vendors (so far this is what I have for vendors)

Yellow Creek Quilt Designs, The Sassy Farm Chicks Quilt Company, Quilts of Valor, Creative Threads with Shauna (Quiltworx), Sunshine Stitches, Uniquely Yours Quilt Shop, Pins & Pieces Studio. I am still taking vendors if you know of anyone that would like to have a booth!

11. Doreen is asking for unfinished quilt tops/ table toppers/ table runners/ quilt blocks for the bed turning. If you could send her a picture, she would greatly appreciate it so she knows ahead of time what she will have.

12.

Please let me know if you have any questions, concerns or if I have forgotten anything!!!!

Shauna Heck, Quilt Show Chair

Quilt Show – Boutique Committee

Well, ladies, it's **CRUNCH time!!** Finish up those Boutique items and bring them to our March 17th meeting. If you have some last-minute projects to donate, I will also accept them on setup day for our Quilt Show (April 10th) but you must deliver them to the Cedarville Community Center.

Also, March will be the last meeting to turn in your drawing entries (one entry for EVERY item donated to the Boutique) to win a FREE Quilt Guild membership. Thanks for your overwhelming response and support in funding our future guild programs!

Dawn Vehmeier, Boutique Chair **Quilt Show – Raffle Tickets** **Distribution**

Ladies, a big thank you to all that have sold their raffle tickets packet. And a huge thank you to the ones that have stepped up and taken even more.

And another big thank you to the ones that have taken the quilt to different quilt guilds and sold raffle tickets!

We only have a short time before our Quilt Guild show in April.

So, gals, let's sell, Sell, SELL!
Thank you!

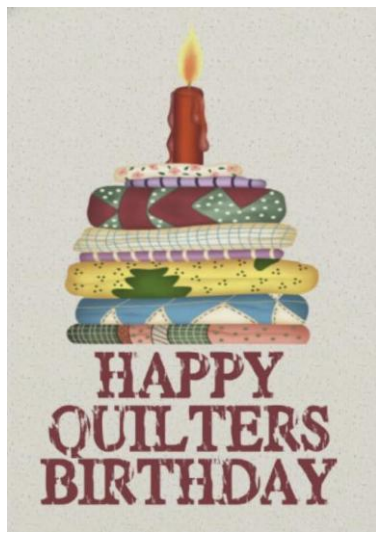
Kathy Clark, Raffle Ticket Chair

MARCH REFRESHMENTS

Rhonda Streich
Liz Fabian

Meeting Reminders:

Please wear name tag
Bring show and tell!
Please silence your cell phones.
Please keep table conversations to a minimum during our business meeting.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Peggy Wohlford	2
Sandy Sheely	6
Jodie Bowers	7
Barb Wells	16
Janet Wagner	18
Bunny Sues	24

General Notes and Reminders

Refreshments: There are two containers in the back room of the church that contain paper supplies for refreshments and other guild items. These supplies have been purchased by the guild and are intended for this use. Please check this container before you purchase any new paper products.

And: The church has asked that we restore the room set up as it was upon arrival and put away the tables and chairs that we take out of the back room for our meetings. Everyone please stay a few extra minutes after the meetings to help do this. It would be greatly appreciated.

Also: We need to keep the kitchen clean, so please clean up after yourself. The refreshment committee is responsible for taking the garbage out to the dumpster after the meeting, so please make sure you have tossed your trash before then.

SAVE THE DATES!

Salt Cree Quilt Guild
"Back to Basics Quilt Show"
March 21-March 22, 2025
9am to 4p daily
Little Galilee Christian Cam [
7539 Little Galilee Rd, Clinton, IL 1727

Crazy Quilter's Quilt Show
March 29-March 30, 2025
Saturday 9am-4pm, Sunday 10am-3pm
930 N. Rochester St., Mukwonago, WI

Hands All Around Quilt Guild
2025 Quilt Spectrum
Friday April 4, 2025, 9am – 5pm
Saturday April 5, 2025, 9am- 4pm
Interstate Center, 1106 Interstate Drive
Bloomington, IL

Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild
“Little Bits of Whimsy” Quilt Show
May 17-May 18, 2025
Saturday 9am-6pm, Sunday 10am-4pm
Judson University, Linder Fitness Ctr
1151 N. State St., Elgin, IL 60123

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Two Month Quilt Shop Hop

March 1 - April 30th, 2025

