

GALA Quilt Guild Saturday August 20, 2022 Minutes

The morning workshop was conducted by Sunny Pedigo. Members were working on a Cathedral Window type coverlet made with denim circles and 5" squares. Sixteen people came and participated in the workshop which was a very good turnout.

President Linda Walker opened the meeting at 1:00. Twenty-eight members attended the meeting. Everyone introduced themselves and told what guilds they were in. Members were asked to keep their introductions to 15 seconds or less so this went very quickly. Three new people joined the guild. These three were Karen P. Boyd, Midland, GA, Susan Denson, Midland, and Beverly Toland, Columbus. We all welcome these new members.

The program was the first part of a video called "Why Quilts Matter." This was very interesting. The rest of the video will be shown at a later meeting.

Kits had been made to aid in completion of our charity project of the year, Each kit included a top, fabric for a back (or a back), fabric for binding (or binding), and batting. Members were asked to take a kit and complete the next part to be done. Some kits only needed binding put on. Others needed a backing made. Still others needed quilting. Even if someone could not do all parts, they were encouraged to at least complete one step. All work that everyone completes is very much appreciated. Forty-one completed charity quilts have been made.

Rebecca Chester went over items that are being collected for the one yard bags to be donated along with the completed quilts in January. Items that are needed include tooth paste, tooth brushes, deodorant, body wash, feminine products, hair brushes, other hair products, soap, razors, hand towels and any other small personal items that will fit in the one yard bags. One yard bags are also needed.

Linda encouraged members to make small items to sell at the Fort Mitchell Fall Festival on Saturday October 29, 2022. Volunteers were needed to run table. Pat Mistretta, Linda Walker, Mary Bray, Betty Ann and Cathy Poiner agreed to help with the sales. Each person should make a folded over sign to describe the items made.

In September the workshop will be a Mystery Christmas project. A sign up sheet was sent around for those interested. An email will be sent out by Juanita telling clues to complete ahead of the September meeting.

There will be an exchange of 2 ½ " squares of fall fabric. Bring in 30 each of 3 different fabrics cut into 2 ½" squares.

The program in September will be Journaling or documenting our quilts.

In October the workshop will be Seminole piecing with Linda Walker and Frances Thomason.

In November the workshop will be working on quilts of valor, making one yard bags, working of charity quilts or any other projects.

Audrey talked about a trip to Childersberg to a fabric store.

A suggestion was made to possibly organizing a retreat. A place called Luther Ranch out I-20 between Atlanta and Birmingham was suggested. These retreats are usually a lot of fun for members.

In December there will be a pot luck Christmas luncheon. Those participating in the brown bag exchange should bring in their finished projects to exchange.

Rebecca went over the directions to the new block of the month. Various prizes were given out for name tag, sign up sheet, and those participating in the block of the month. Everyone enjoyed the show and tell.