IEMQG General Meeting minutes

April 2, 2022 in person at Lake Mathews Community Center

Meeting called to order at 2: 10 p.m.

Welcome: Laura

Announcements:

Second and fourth Monday sit and sew on ZOOM. Email with reminder and ZOOM code will be sent ahead of time.

Meet and Eat is the 3rd Saturday of the month. The April meet and eat will be on ZOOM so those unable to attend in person can participate.

Upcoming meetings:

May 7:

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Collage workshop with Barbara. Let her know if you are going to attend so she can send a supply list. If you have a kit bring it. If it is your own design, bring a black and white outline of the central design. No sewing involved, so no need for machines. Bring a lunch and the required supplies. Follow up workshops will be announced at a later date. Note: check out the Collage Quilter Facebook page for ideas and tips.

1:30p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Social time and general meeting.

Orphan blocks. Bring any orphan blocks you have. They will be sorted according to size, theme, color, etc. Then they will be ready for" adoption," "Adopted blocks can be used to make charity quilts. If you have anything made from orphan blocks, bring it to share for inspiration.

June 4:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IEMQG

Hybrid meeting at the Arlington Library where there are internet capabilities as well as an on-site IT person to help if needed. Enjoy at home on ZOOM or in-person at the library. Program will feature Sheila Frampton Cooper on ZOOM. "Spontaneous Creativity and Inspiration."

There may be a two day workshop with Sheila on July 16 and 17. 3 hours \$45 per person. More info when set for sure.

July 2:

Roundabout challenge due. See IEMQG website for challenge quidelines.

August 6:

Lynn will bring a trunk show from SAQA. small quilts will be examined, discussed and evaluated .

September 2:

Laura will demonstrate bindings.

October 1:

Christine will demonstrate Christmas stocking.

November 5:

Member university. Volunteers needed to demonstrate techniques.

Retreat:

November 7-10, 2022 at Vina De Lestonnac Retreat Center in Temecula. 13 people signed up so far. There is room for 22. Total cost is \$ 410 per person. \$100 deposit required with registration. Registration form on website.

Block of the Month:

Evie showed pattern # 4 for BOM. Pattern will be on the website.

Raffles:

Since we can now have in-person meetings baskets full of sewing goodies will be raffled off. Tickets 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. Tickets were sold at this meeting and will be sold in May. Winner will be announced in May.

Show and Share:

We made up for lost time! Amazing quilts were shared by the following members:

Patti: Houses and curves, Dog collage, Snake trail, and scrappy circles.

Debi: Modern Bali Pop chevron quilt

Laura: curvy Asial mushroom applique, Dancing chicks, Yin-yang and BOM showing curves

Lynn: Three quilts by former member, Robin Grube, that showcased different methods of making curves with bias tape. Among her own quilts was one done in a workshop by Brenda Gael Smith showing rocks in Yosemite, a sampler study in curves, and

some abstract curves.

Sharon: Blue HST orphan block quilt, scrappy squares, Floral squares and a jelly roll

race all for community service. Baby quilt panel for a family member

Christine: Brenda Gael Smith sample with curves and a quilt made from two reconstructed quilt tops.

Leticia: Star block with matching pins for us to wear and a Gather quilt for her son.

Barbara: Appliqued baby quilt for great grandson.

Program:

Lynn demonstrated how to sew easy, gentle improv curves by layering fabric, cutting a gentle curve, rearranging the fabric so it fits together and sewing the curve without the need for pins or snipping the curves. Quick and easy and very effective.

Laura demonstrated her technique for using a template and foil to fold the fabric over the template using the foil, then ironing. No snipping curves, no burning your fingers trying to hold the fabric down. Genious! Just use a bit of fabric glue to layer the fabrics and top stitch.

Fabric, templates, and foil was provided and a short period for practicing both techniques.

Kate won membership raffle

Meeting informally adjourned about 4:30. Most attendees continued working and socializing

Respectfully submitted,

Debi Gardner

Co-Secretary