

**IEMQG General Meeting Minutes: Saturday, April 1, 2023**

Location: Arlanza Library, Riverside, CA

Social time: 1:30pm – 2:00pm

President Candy Scott welcomed everyone in the room and on Zoom and opened the meeting at 2:00pm.

**Announcements by Candy Scott:**

One guest (Jana) was in attendance.

**Fabric of a Nation Show at Skirball** - The show has ended. Candy asked who attended.

**Pasadena Museum of History** - An exhibit of 60 quilts representing over 180 years of quilt making in America is on display now thru September 10, 2023. The exhibit, titled "Community Stitches: Quilt Designs and Stories", was curated by Arlene Stevens and Leah Zieber from the California Heritage Quilt Project.

**SCCQG Meet the Teachers** - This Zoom event is being held on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. The Board will attend, but members can also attend. It's being held from 10am – 1pm.

**Free Online Classes.** Latifah Saafir's 7-Ways to Use a Clammy is still available on YouTube.

**TrishTacSew:** Another new quilt store has opened in the desert. TrishTacSew is located at 73-608 CA-111, Palm Desert, CA 92211, 760-851-8101. Trish is getting in more fabrics every week, and she has many modern-themed fabrics and patterns. She also teaches children and adult sewing classes.

**San Diego Quilt Run:** The run includes 7 stores and is being held daily from April 14<sup>th</sup> – April 22<sup>nd</sup>. A free table runner pattern is being given out at each store. <http://www.cruisingquilters.com/>

**Retreat** – Lynn Hanna reported that there are 5 spaces left for the retreat. The retreat is being held from Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Sign Up forms are on the website in Members Corner. Cost of the retreat is \$445.00. with a \$100.00 deposit due when you sign up, and the balance will be due in September/October.

**Membership/Social Media** – Kate McCathy reported that the dues to MQG have been paid. Patti has updated the membership roster. Please remember to subscribe to our blog, FaceBook and InstaGram. Patti also asked for more participation on our social media platforms.

**Charity Quilts** – Gayle Bennett reported that she will be donating 16 Quilts and 8 Pillowcases to the House of Ruth soon.

**2023 Block of the Month** – Trisha Williams. The April BOM will be on the website next week. Color palette inspirations are also on the website if you need inspiration. Remember to use Christine's BOM Hack of working in quarters and twirling the center seam to get the entire block to lay flat. The instructions are on the website.

**Long Beach Quilt Show** – Lynn Hanna and Laura Greene are curating our entry of the Evolving Threads (12" x 12") quilts. A total of 48 quilts will be shown, submitted by our members and others in the Evolving Threads group. Janna and Kate McCarthy are organizing this activity. They will need volunteers on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, probably between 12:00 and 6pm, and on July 8<sup>th</sup>, between 4:00pm until after dinner.

**Basket Raffle** - There will be a basket raffle at the June meeting.

After a short break with wonderful snacks, the program was presented.

**Program.**

**Quilter Spotlight: Debi Gardner's Journey to Modern Quilting.** Laura introduced Debi Gardner, who shared with our members her experience as a quilter, which stretches back almost 40 years! Laura also mentioned that we need more spotlight quilters. If you are interested in sharing your journey in modern quilting, contact Laura.

**Future Meetings and Programs**

The next meeting is on May 6<sup>th</sup> and is being held at the Casa Blanca Library. Sit and Sew begins at 10am. Bring your lunch and a machine to work on your wedges. The Program is on Inset Circles. The meeting begins at 2:00pm

June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting is our Birthday. Program by Verushka Zarate. Location TBD

July 1<sup>st</sup> meeting is the Wedge Reveal. Location: Arlanza - hybrid

August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting is another Sew Day, with Christine teaching her Christmas Bucket Stockings. BYOL and machine. Lake Matthews

September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting is another Sew Day to work on our QuiltCon Community Quilt. Begins at 10am, BYOL and machine. Lake Matthews

October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting is Carrie Bloomston. Location is Arlanza Library, hybrid meeting.

November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting is Member University; location TBD

December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting is our holiday party at Lake Matthews

**Show and Share** – We saw lots of beautiful quilts. See Member's Corner for photos.

Christine Sharp is thinking about hosting a Yard Sale Fundraiser for the Guild. She is asking for any items you would like to get rid of to be donated as well as people to help work during the sale. No items will be returned if not sold. Funds received will be donated to our Guild.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Debbi LoCicero and Debbie Lepper, Co-Secretaries