

IEMQG General Meeting Minutes: Saturday, July 1, 2023

Location: SSgt. Salvador J. Lara Casa Blanca Library, 2985 Madison Street, Riverside, CA 92504; (951) 826-2120.

Social time: 1:30pm – 2:00pm; Meeting 2:00pm

President Candy Scott opened the meeting at 2:00pm and welcomed everyone in the room. There were no new members or guests attending.

Announcements:

Drop-In Sew is the 2nd and 4th Monday: These dates are July 10th and 24th from 7:00-9:00pm

QuiltFest Long Beach: is July 6th – 8th at the Long Beach Convention Center. Evolving Threads will have an exhibit of 48 of their member's mini quilts. There will be a short presentation each day at 1:00pm about the exhibit by some of the participants.

QuiltCon: Is being held February 21 – 25th 2024 in Raleigh, NC. The class and lecture schedule has been announced. All entry categories have also been announced. Registration opens on August 15th.

July 2023 Block of the Month: See the website.

August Meeting: In Person/Hybrid Meeting. The August 5th meeting will be held at Casa Blanca. This will be a class (10:00-12:30) by Christine Sharp, Unique Xmas Stockings, followed by BYO Lunch from 12:30-1:30, social time at 1:30 and our meeting will begin at 2:00 with a program on Quilted Xmas Gifts.

July Wedge Challenge Reveal: Ten members brought in wonderful projects using wedges. These photos are on our website.

Retreat: Lynn Hanna reported that there are 21 people who signed up for the retreat. The 1 remaining space is now open to non-members. The retreat is being held from Monday, November 6th through Thursday, November 9th, 2023, at Vina in Temecula. Sign Up forms are on the website in Members Corner. The cost of the retreat is \$445.00. with a \$100.00 deposit due when you sign up, and the balance is due by the October 2023 meeting.

Yard Sale Fundraiser: Candy reported that the yard sale fundraiser was a complete success! We made \$1315.50 which will be a huge help funding speakers and activities for our guild. A huge thank you to all the donors and workers at the sale, including Christine, her sister, Kate, Gayle, Diana, Ali, and Kim. There are still 2 Bernina sewing machines donated by Mary Hodge (a member in Ohio) that can be sold. If anyone is interested in these, please see Laura.

QuiltCon Community Outreach Quilt: Patti and Lynn are once again using their skills to design this year's Community Outreach Quilt which has the theme of Symmetry and a gold, green and purple color palette. Patti has ordered fabric from the colors specified by QuiltCon, and we are encouraged to use scraps in the same color family to add interest to the quilt. Patti and Lynn have chosen a wonky square in a square block in an improv style. Members will make larger blocks that will be trimmed by Patti to 3 ½" square. Sew days are being planned at Lake Matthews. The top will need to be completed by October so a photo can be submitted as not all quilts will be accepted this year.

AIDS Quilt Project: More information about a community sew day at Mizell Center in Palm Springs will be provided when it's available.

Charity Quilts: Gayle reported that member Becky Brecky donated lots of kits that can be made up into quilts. If you want the kit for personal use, you are asked to please pay 50% of the marked price to the guild.

After a brief break with refreshments, we had a program.

Program.

Laura Greene introduced Patti Reyes. Patti gave a fantastic presentation about Temperature Quilts to inspire us. She showed lots of examples and gave us tips on where to gather temperature data as well as explained options to make the quilt our own representation. The guild might consider having a Temperature Quilt challenge in 2024.

After the Program, there was a brief show and share. It was announced that the raffle basket for September will include a beautiful bag made by Patti Reyes, filled with quilting goodies. Candy Adjourned the meeting at about 4:00pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Debbi LoCicero and Debbie Lepper, Co-Secretaries