

Meeting June 9, 2022

Jefferson United Methodist Church

There were 24 people in attendance.

Sunshine: Linda Gagnon read birthdays for May and June and distributed birthday fat quarters.

Susan Miller reminded people of the Yard Sale in July. There will be a table for free items that people want to give away.

There are still spaces available for the curves class in September. . The kit cost is \$6.

She presented the idea for a quilt and quilting arts display at the Arts Council in 2024.

The guild challenge for next spring is for quilts created from the various block-of-the-month blocks done during the past year. Block designs are available on the website

Sarah Ruth Phipps presented the plans for the Anniversary Celebration August 11 at New River State Park Community Center. The lunch and celebration will start at 1 pm, with catering by Smokey Mountain BBQ. The menu is BBQ, potato salad, baked beans, green beans, cole slaw, hush puppies and cake. Janet Ward volunteered to make a special cake for gluten free and other special diets. We are trying to reach all previous members to extend an invitation. We would like older members to discuss their early days in the guild. We will need help with setup and cleanup. Signup lists were circulated.

Michele presented our plan to decorate a Christmas tree for the Arts Council in December. Members should make ornaments 6" or smaller for the tree. She showed some examples. It was suggested that some Wednesday workshops might be appropriate. Ornaments will need to be turned in at the November meeting.

Janet Ward discussed the design for the Fundraiser Quilt. She plans to have kits available to make blocks for the quilt at the next meeting. She returned New River State Park display quilts.

The program was "Children's Books for Quilting". Tucker McClure presented and read his children's book Chips and Threads, illustrated by Sarah Sanders. The idea came when he tried to vacuum the rug in his wife's (member Wilma McClure) sewing room. Susan Miller presented recently deceased member Dana Kumerow's book The Storyteller's Apprentice based on the idea "Everything has a name. Everything has a story". It was a very bittersweet presentation. Proceeds from Dana's book benefit Imagination Ashe. Michele Hayes discussed our donations of quilting books to the Ashe County library and showed a couple of books for and about quilting with kids bought for the library. Dini Parsons and Betsy Ziroli both presented books.

It was announced that the budget for 2022/2023 has been approved and a vote was taken reapproving the officers for the next year (Vicki Duckworth, President; Susan Miller, Vice President; Rhonda Lyon, Treasurer).

After the meeting, Micky McComb, new member, agreed to take over as Secretary. Thanks!

The block-of-the-month was any pattern choice in juvenile prints. New member Alicia Canfield drew the name. Michele Hayes won.

Vicki Duckworth showed the Governor's Award for Volunteer Service, won based on paperwork submitted by Susan Miller. The framed certificate will hang in classroom 1 at Generations Ashe. A basket of Ashe cheese and cutting board was also part of the award from the county commissioners. A drawing was made was from those who paid annual dues. Laura Sage won.

Sew and Tell - pictures available on the website (ashequilters.org):

Wendy Stanley showed her finished blue Bali Breeze quilt.

Janet Ward showed a large Patriot Quilt to be raffled by GOP at Christmas in July .

Susan Miller showed her "My Sampler of Friends", grateful for the advice of various guild members on the quilt construction. It was quilted by member Ann Becker.

Betsy Zirola showed a quilt with a small churn dash block inside a larger churn dash block. ' mother and child'

Wilma McClure showed a very large multi year project called Misty Morning in various browns and grays, using drunkard's path curved blocks.

Jean Evans showed a quilt she made with numerous mens silk ties.