

Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild October 23, 2024, General Meeting Minutes

Location: Royal Canadian Legion, 141 Hwy #20 E. Fonthill, ON

President, Irene opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with a special "thank you" to the greeters of the evening, and a welcome to our guests.

Program co-chairman Jean welcomed our guest speaker, Theresa Sonnenberg, Theresa is a farm girl from Norfolk County. She taught and was a school administrator for 35 years, and now gardens and quilts. Her show was titled "Learning to Love Yellow".

We travelled with Theresa through her quilting story. Many of her beautiful quilts were tied to the people of her life, and all familiar and unfamiliar techniques were incorporated into her stunning trunk show.

Our members had many questions of Theresa and were able to get a close look at the quilts during the break that followed.

Co-chairman of Program and Workshops, Coby expressed appreciation for Theresa Sonnenberg's beautiful trunk show and thanked her for coming to Niagara Heritage Guild this evening.

There was a 15-minute break to talk to Theresa and look closely at her quilts, buy 50/50 and Loonie tickets and chat with each other.

Treasurer, Theresa presented the treasurers report.

Loonie Draw winners were: Linda Carl, Jean Christie, and Linda Anderson

50/50 Draw winner was Debbie Hipple, and a second draw was held for a fabric bundle donated by tonight's guest speaker. Won by Dorothy DeRose.

Giving back report was forwarded by Gloria and Sharree (abs.).

They reported 12 had attended the workshop to make pillowcases and placemats on Oct. 24th. 7 fire quilts had been recently provided to 4 children and 3 adults.

Two comfort quilts had been distributed.

Arrangements have been made to deliver quilts and pillowcases to Gillian's Place early November. Reminders for the next "Sew Day", November 14th (no sew day in December), and that the annual collection for RAFT would be at the November meeting. Details in the newsletter. To date 58 placemats and 38 signed cards for Meals on Wheels have been collected. More will be collected at the November meeting.

The Mennonite Quilt Group will be happy to collect donations of fabrics and scraps throughout the guild year. Some were collected tonight.

Publicity chair was not in attendance. President Irene encouraged members to use the website, assuring them that they can't accidentally erase anything, and everything they need to know is on there.

Jean and Coby thanked the attendees of the October workshop, who had made 40 pillowcases. They reminded everyone to sign up for a craft for the November meeting, and asked them to bring, needles, thread, and scissors.

Also, there is a sign-up sheet to the January Guild Meeting.

Al Cote will be doing a workshop in February (\$50), and they reported that every effort would be made to make sure guild members had the opportunity to sign up before it was put on the website.

Special Events chairmen Gloria and Marty announced the plans for the November Christmas meeting. Everyone was asked to sign up for a savoury or sweet treat for the lunch. Tea, coffee, and punch will be provided.

A lovely selection of members "Show and Tell" followed. The white glove volunteers were thanked for their hard work this evening.

Coby reminded everyone to bring in signed Christmas cards to the next meeting for Meals on Wheels.

President Irene closed the meeting at 9pm so everyone could get home early.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda lannandrea, Secretary

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