Santa Rosa Quilt Guild Program Meeting Minutes February 19, 2015

Vice President Jim Jensen called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Introductions

Guests: Peggy White, Connie DeGraff, Polly Baird, Kathy Lompa, and Sharalee Milligan. New members: Shirley Thomas, Barbara Arnold, Beverly Flemming

Introduction of Speaker: Rhonda Denny introduced Merrill-Lee West, a traditional quilter with a modern twist; there are 3 spots open in the class.

Quilt Related Announcements

Pam Brown – re Tri Guild Luncheon a reminder re waiting list – if at any point you cannot attend the luncheon, please immediately let Pam know so someone on the waitlist can attend. If you have questions about the blocks, Pam has samples to study. If you have food issues, contact Marilyn Lira – see info on luncheon info sheet.

Jim Jensen: bird nest pattern is on website. Jim advised that he is working on the website. Jim also invited guests and new members to be first in line when lunch is announced.

Carol Jarvis announced that she has a friend who is selling quilt related items and you can make an appointment to go a look at what she has - get contact info from Carol.

Patricia Kearns announced that as part of the silent auction there is a quilt on the piano at the back available for bidding on.

Judy Kubillus – The Sonoma Valley Museum currently has a quilt exhibit up as well as an exhibit of Shaker furniture.

<u>Old business</u>: We are still working on plans for a new storage room; membership vote will be at our first meeting in March.

Treasurers Report: No treasurer's report was given.

Committee Reports

<u>Opportunity Quilt</u> – Lynette Whitman advised that the drawing for the current quilt will be on April 2nd so there is still time to get tickets. The new opportunity quilt will be revealed on the same day. Pat Kearns, Dianne Cheli, and Glenda Ross are now joined by Mary Ann Hayre as a committee member. The Healdsburg show at the Senior Center has all the volunteers needed, with backups. Fifteen shows and visits to guilds are scheduled for 2015.

<u>Friendship Blocks</u> - Cheryl Dudley announced that raffle tickets are still being sold for sets of block credits. There are six openings for the elephant block; instructions are on the website.

<u>Programs and Workshops 2015</u> – Rhonda noted that often there are not enough chairs when we have speaker and this is why it is important for members to sign in...so we can approximate chairs needed. If you need Opportunity Quilt raffle tickets, see her. She has all the irons and ironing boards needed for the workshop. Phyllis Gallaway will take irons & cords to the A&G Center. Merrill-Lee will consult with members taking the class regarding fabric choices. The purse workshop in March has several spots open. Class participants need to cut pattern pieces out before class. Mark Lapinkski is coming – 25 spots

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– sign up at next meeting. Phyllis mentioned the J Rapacki class in April will be on EQ7 and Photo Shop Elements and a laptop is needed for the class.

<u>Phyllis Gallaway</u> - reminded members that if they need a reimbursement form, see her at the back. Both Tahoe retreats are full and have waiting lists. Check the recycle box on the bar at the back to see what you can recycle there. If you are interested in purchasing a pattern for embroidered T-pots see her. Friendship blocks should be up on the website soon.

<u>Fair Liaison</u> – Pam McVey noted that 40 quilts were entered in the Citrus Fair (compared to 18 last year). Most were from our Guild. Pam read names of ribbon winners noting that Carol Jarvis was awarded Best in Show.

Membership - Jan Westerman has membership cards available.

<u>Sew-a-row</u> – Debby Bainbridge advised that they are ready for members to sign up to work on.

<u>TSW</u> - Janice Rodgers shared that Diana Roberts' husband was in hospital but is home now and recuperating. Today's TSW will have Pam McVey explaining the how-to of a flange trim.

<u>Community Quilts</u> – Pam Beebe & Anne Dondero – We donated a quilt to the gentleman who was attacked while delivering papers. Anne noted that we will be collecting quilts throughout the year for donation to the County's Secret Santa Program and Verity (a non-profit in Sonoma County that works with rape victims); size to be 40 x 60. Also, we will be focusing on making quilts for 18 year olds who age out of the foster care system and will be delivering/presenting them in June and December. Size should be 50 x 65.

<u>Community Outreach</u> – Mirna Estes showed hats and scarves donated for veterans. Noted Morgan Street center needs bedding for homeless.

<u>UFO Challenge</u> – Fran Threewit reminded that the next meeting is when we need to bring our UFO's to make our completion commitment(s).

<u>Library</u> – Sharon pulled out Bargello books to offer as inspiration for the upcoming class. Please pick up your items from the Silent Auction table if you are the highest bidder. As historian Sharon has been collecting obituaries as well as quilt/Guild related news articles and they are in the SRQG Memory Book. Sharon reviewed the newest books and magazines.

<u>Name Tag Drawing</u>: From 156 members signed in Lorna Fiori and Shirley Thomas were the recipients of the name tag fat quarter.

Show And Tell

Final Announcements: None.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Viglienzone - Secretary