

MIAMI VALLEY ART QUILT NETWORK NEWSLETTER

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Carroll Schleppi, Presiding

Members Present: Dianne Boley, Kate Burch, Ginny Crabtree, Sue DeSantis, Ann Diller, Lori Gravley, Fran LaSalle, Susan Schaller, Carroll Schleppi, Liz Schneiders, Joan Sterr, Sara Lynne Walsh, Guest – Cindi Remm

Treasurer's Report

Fran reported that there is a total of \$1,342.29 in the treasury. Carroll requested that Fran and she once again review the member's list.

Addition to the October Minutes

Sue DeSantis' name was inadvertently omitted from the attendee listing in the October Newsletter.

Glen Helen Show

Fran reported that almost all of the cards for the Glen Helen show were distributed, and that two of the quilts which were on display were sold—Carroll's "snake" quilt and Fran's "frog" quilt. All agreed for MVAQN to be signed up to display our quilts at the 2013 Glen Helen exhibit.

Topics for New Challenges

There are still several words in our Challenge box; however, since Mindy had the box, but was not present at the meeting, it was decided to wait until the January meeting to discuss whether we should dispose of all the old words and add all new ones. Anyone with ideas for new challenge words should e-mail them to Mindy.

January Party – Location and Plans

Since no one volunteered to have the party in their home, Kate agreed to open up her home for the January event. It will be held on Saturday, January 15, 2011, at 12:00 Noon. To prevent duplications, all were asked to notify Kate know what foods they will bring. We are also to bring a packaged "quiltette" for the exchange as has been done in the past.

Evaluation of the Golden Paint Demonstration

Although most who attended felt that it was very informative, they agreed that the 2-1/2 hours was too long for our regular meeting since Appalachian Quilts closed at 4:00 p.m. Some were expecting more fabric-related information. Everyone agreed that the hand-outs and samples were excellent and very helpful. More information can be obtained about Golden Paints by going to goldenpaints.com.

Report on Monday Class

The self-educated subgroup of the MVAN meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. at the Far Hills Epiphany Church (see our website). Ann and Liz shared some examples of what has been done and what we have learned from these meetings. The design principles and creativity exercises are obtained from the book, "Art + Quilt" by Lyric Kinard. The next meeting will be a study in line weight and texture and will be held on January 4, 2011.

Landmark Quilt Project

Lori stated that those working on the Dayton Landmark project must make sure that their sample page measures 42" tall. The width may vary. The list of people working on which section of this

project can be found on the website. There are two sections which have not yet been assigned—a section of St. Mary's church and two sections of Wympee's. Carroll commented that Wympee's on the corner of Third and Wayne has recently been purchased and will be renovated as a new restaurant called Olives. However, the outside will remain the same. Ronnie Doyal will enlarge our photos for \$15. This can also be done at Kinko's, but may be more expensive. If you wish to enlarge it yourself, Kinko's has an apparatus which can check to make sure it is the correct size for a cost of \$7.00. Lori stated that using a black and white color photo is less distracting. She reminded us that borders are not to be added on this project. The project date for completion has been set for March.

Cindi said that the County Commissioner's office in downtown Dayton has space in the 111 building where our project could be displayed. Another suggestion was the First Baptist Church next to the Y downtown. Other venues were mentioned as possibilities.

Since Joan will be vacationing in Florida when this project is due, she showed her beautiful nearly completed quilt representing the Dayton Skyline.

Challenge - "Photo to Fiber"

As mentioned earlier, Liz brought some quilts she has been working on which used some of the techniques she learned from the Monday classes where she photographed objects, then designed quilts from them. Carroll is also working on one using a poem and experimenting with colors.

New Business

Susan asked if anyone who entered the Visceral Gallery show received a refund since art quilts were not accepted this year. No one had.

Carroll reminded us that no meeting would be held in December. The next meeting would be the January 15 meeting at Kate's. She was able to obtain a meeting room at the Kettering-Moraine Library for February 19 and April 16. Liz will check with Epiphany for the March meeting.

Lori suggested an idea of using self-portraits to be sewn in binders to our quilts when putting them in future shows.

Show & Tell

Susan – showed a Charlie Harper art quilt of birds which she is working on. (It was mentioned that his work can be seen at the Harper Art studio at Glen Helen tomorrow).

Ann – showed a quilt she is making from material which was sent to her from "Downy Touch of Comfort Quilts for Kids" (see Downy.com). These are made to be given to children in hospitals. Similar projects can be found at "My Brother's Keeper" which also uses donated fabric.

Ginny – showed a rug hooking project using 100% wool to create a picture of cats and dogs. The animals represent some real ones that she knows. When completed it will be made into a wall hanging.

Upcoming Events

Annie Forester from Cincinnati will kick off a newly formed quilt group at the Unitarian Fellowship on Friday, December 3rd from 2 to 3:30 pm. Annie will discuss quilting and will bring some of her quilts to share.

For the last half hour of the meeting, the members broke into smaller groups to work on thoughts and ideas for their Landmark Project.

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