

## **LNCQ Board Minutes**

Monday, May 3, 2010

President Patti Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees included: Donna Winn, Judee Robinson, Maxine Tamlin, Patti Smith, Helena Leysar, Kathee Houser, Shawnette Sherwood, Margery Richmond, Annie McCarthy, Becky Williamson, Patricia Streeter, Eileen Maelzer, and Joan Miller.

### **New and Old Business**

Rocky Mountain Quilt Festival will be held August 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Ranch in Loveland LNCQ will pay \$100.00 so that any members that wish to exhibit quilts can do so at no cost to them.

LNCQ members still have to register their quilts, and can do so on the website for the festival. When the registration form is completed, they should indicate that they are a member of LNCQ and the fee has been paid.

We will have 4 booths- 3 for hanging quilts, 1 for publicity

We need a chairperson to organize volunteers for this event. Each board member will have a list of 5 people to call

Annie McCarthy will be unable to be at the Quilt Festival, but is willing to help coordinate people.

If we cannot find people we will not have a promotion booth.

There was some discussion about doing a make and take activity—think about this.

We still have zipper bags left from last year that could be sold, as well as lots of bottle cap pincushions.

Eileen had a real cute pin that looked like a fat quarter bundle that we could make and sell

Patricia suggested the chicken pincushion that Margery had at the retreat last year.

Perhaps we could have a sample, and sell kits with a pattern included.

Due to a schedule conflict, the June general meeting will be held at a different venue (Church of Christ Meadowlark, 2810 Meadowlark Ave, Fort Collins). An e-mail was sent out to all members with this information. Patti will make signs to put at the Harmony church to let people know where the meeting is, on the day of the meeting. The web site is currently not up to date, owing to computer problems, so this information is not on the web site.

### **Committee Reports**

Community Service— Patti reported for the Community Service chair (Judy Romme), which was unable to attend.

The sew day held on 4/24 was attended by only 7 people. This is very poor attendance for an organization the size of LNCQ. The room at the firehouse was nice, but the distance we had to transport our equipment and supplies from the parking lot to the community room was less than desirable. It is suggested that we not use this location again because of this.

Patti will ask Judy to bring quilts from Community Service to show and tell.

Exhibits—Annie McCarthy.

Button quilts were on display at the last meeting, and the Long Arm quilters provided additional quilts for their advertising. Annie took pictures of show and tell quilts and gave them to Jean for the web site.

Next meeting, Annie cannot be there. There is not much space at this different venue, and no way to hang quilts for exhibition.

Margery will have some quilts on a table for the Xmas in July workshop. She will be showing these at Show & Tell during the meeting.

Patricia offered to take photos of Show & Tell quilts at the June meeting.

Hospitality—Joan Miller

Everything is purchased and ready to go for June.

Goal is to have 20 prizes every meeting. Last meeting 66 tickets were sold.

Library—Not Present

Membership- not present. New chair for membership is Nancy Schwartz. Patti has all of the Membership paraphernalia to pass to Nancy.

Newsletter—Patricia Streeter

Patricia is concerned that there is no way to advertise on a small postcard. It is difficult to get much information on without using a much smaller font, which is not desirable.

Currently it costs \$0.80 per 4 postcards

Patricia recommends moving to a larger, ½ sheet size postcard. This change was agreed to.

The postcard for the upcoming June meeting needs to include the change of venue and the change of presentation (original speaker, Maebeth Oxenrider, had to cancel due to health reasons). The postcard is to be mailed 10 days prior to the June 7 meeting. This makes the deadline for the postcard 5/15.

The speaker for the June meeting is Marv and Jean Spears.

The workshop to be held during the day on Monday is a lecture / demo, only supplies are paper and pen / pencil.

Originally advertised at \$30 for members, and \$35 for non-members, the price is actually \$25 and \$30 respectively. Shawnette will change the cost on the flyer.

There was a lengthy discussion about the newsletter. There is some confusion about the idea of having a newsletter, in newsletter format, on the web and not sending it out.

Some of the board members thought that this was the plan, others understood that the plan was to have all of the information on the website, but not in a specific newsletter format.

Looking back at notes from previous board meetings, this is somewhat unclear. What is clear from the notes is that we want the web site to be the primary source of information, and (this taken from 3/1/10 board meeting notes: “ Patricia will provide a flyer at the meetings for upcoming programs, special events and web information.”

Website—Jean Poland—

Jean's computer has been down for a while, and because of this, the website is not up to date.

Jean currently uses Web Expression software on a Windows computer. She is considering changing to a Macintosh computer, and purchasing Dream Weaver for website production.

Jean indicated that she needs help with the structure and organization of the website. This help would not have to have any computer experience, just organization skills. It is unknown how long the current website will remain out of date. It depends on when Jean can get a new computer and transfer things.

Patti suggested having a Blog, similar to the Quilt Guild Network.

Others said that there is such a wide range of ability to access the web that this may not work.

Jean reiterated that the problem is with the organization of the website, and she needs help.

Jean agreed to get up and ask for help at the next meeting. Annie McCarthy and Judee Robinson offered to help Jean with the website organization.

Programs—Kathee Houser and Maxine Tamlin

Brief discussion about why program classes / workshops do not fill. There are many variables. Having workshop during the day prohibits many people, who aren't able to take off work from attending, but having on a Sunday is objectionable to others, plus finding a space is difficult on Sunday. All guilds have trouble filling workshops. Need to get advertisements out and encourage attendance

Upcoming programs:

June: 6/7 Jeannie and Marv Spears; "From Photo to Fabric and More"

Marv and Jeannie Spears will offer a half-day class on Monday, June 7th from 10:00am until 1:00pm entitled "Fabric Printing for Beginners"

<http://www.softfabricphotos.com/>

August 8/3: Cheryl Malkowski, also offering a class on 8/3 "Fun with 1 Block"

<http://www.cherylmalkowski.com/>

August: 8/23 Special Program / Talk put on by Pat Knoechel (pronounced "nagle") Free for members. (Is there a charge for guests?)

<http://www.creatingwithcolor.com/index.html>

October: 10/4 do not have anyone scheduled yet

December: 12/6 Discussion

Kathee suggested that December and February meetings should be local people, so if there is a cancellation due to inclement weather, we are not dealing with an airline issue.

At last board meeting Kathee got the impression that we didn't want a program in December.

There were several options put in front of the board for a vote, and it has been decided / agreed upon that we would like to have a casual speaker, and potluck. We could eat during the program and have show and tell table-by-table like was done in 2008.

If Programs chairs (Kathee and Maxine) cannot find a local speaker for the December, we will just have a potluck and show and tell.

February Meeting? *I didn't write anything down for this—please let me know what I missed and I'll amend the notes.*

June 2011 we are hoping that Maebeth Oxenrider will be able to come (she had to cancel for June)

Ideas in the works: Art to Heart, Pam Bono

#### Show and Tell—Donna Winn

Community Service quilts and workshop quilts should be shown by people in charge of these activities. Suggestion: Put Marjorie's workshop show and tell in the committee announcements part of the meeting.

#### Small Groups—Not present

#### Ways and Means—Helena—

LNCQ has had a donation from Rocky Mountain Quilt Guild of 2 boxes of patterns, some books, and lots of fabrics.

Garage Sale will be Friday (setup only) 9/10 from 8 – 5 and Saturday (actual sale) 7 – 4  
Helena would like someone to post this on Craig's List. *Who?*

Garage Sale advertising—Greeley, Fort Collins, Windsor, Loveland newspapers will advertise for free in “what's happening” section of paper. *Who will be responsible for doing this?*

Flyers for quilt shops? This was not well accepted, since they sell quilt supplies and fabric in their stores.

There is a new quilt shop in downtown Fort Collins “Mama Said Sew” on Mountain east of College. <http://www.mamasaidsew.com>

Helena wanted to have a sale at the June meeting but it seems like there won't be enough space. Ideas suggested: having the ways and means sale in the big room where our board meeting was held in January (away from the sanctuary where the meeting will be held) Maybe just bring fabric that was just donated.

It has been left up to Helena to decide what she would like to do. Helena will need to let Maxine know how many tables. Helena asked for 2 tables in the back of the meeting room.

Helena is out of pricing stickers, so she spent \$20.00 for this. Will turn in form to Judee Storage unit is crammed full. Helena is talking to the owner of the storage facility about a different unit. Currently we have a 5x10 unit (\$594/yr). There are no 10x10 units available now (\$836/yr), only a 10 x 20 unit (\$1400/yr)

#### Rookie Program—Eileen—

Eileen would like to have a voucher for rookies to use at the garage sale. Patti proposed that Eileen make up some vouchers in \$5.00 increments. Becky seconded, Passed by board.

Need date for “Rookie Shower” sometime late in June for Rookies to meet up with coaches. Patti suggested calling it an open house instead of a shower. Proposed last week of June, on Sunday evening. Decided on Sunday 6/27 from 4 – 6 pm. Board members need to attend. Kathee suggested sending an e-mail to membership about bringing/donating supplies for Rookie Quilters. Rulers, rotary cutters, mats, etc.

Patti ended the meeting by handing out a list of 5 names of LNCQ members that board members should call AFTER hearing from Annie and Pattie about volunteer schedule for Rocky Mountain Quilt Festival.

We all want what is best for LNCQ.

Date for information to be on postcard: by Saturday 5/15/2010

Date for next general meeting: Monday June 7th

Date for next board meeting: Tuesday, July 6th

Meeting adjourned 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Becky Williamson