

LNCQ General Meeting Minutes  
February 1, 2010

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

She made a casual suggestion that meetings be held monthly, and some applause ensued.

Patti announced the schedule for the evening's events

Patti announced the recent passing of a LNCQ member, Arlene Ginsler, who had been very helpful with LNCQ community service projects.

At the December meeting (that had to be cancelled due to weather) there was supposed to be make and take projects. The meeting was cancelled, but the board (Patti) had finished scissor holders that were one of the projects. These were handed out as a gift from the board to the members, for their continuing support.

Kathee Houser introduced our speaker for the evening: Cindy Brick

Cindy provided some biographical information and displayed her books that she will have on sale at the break. She also asked members to sign the strips for the Alzheimer's Quilt Initiative. These strips will be made into quilts that will be on display at the Houston International Quilt Festival.

Cindy gave a very interesting talk about the history of the Gold Rush, which took place in the mid 1800's, and the textiles associated with that time.

Some interesting points from her talk included:

- You can tell if a textile is old by its weight (because more dye was used), its taste, and its smell (both because of the use of urea in the dye process-it is salty and has a strong odor).
- Men made money by selling their urine (source of urea) for the dye process
- Linen was a popular backing fabric because people could grow flax and weave it
- Quilts in the early 1800s (pre 1850) were often square; the beds were square, and held many people
- Near the end of the Gold and Silver Rush there was a political battle over which precious metal (gold or silver) to use as the monetary standard for the U.S.A. Quilters could show their support for either of these by the colors of fabric or ribbons they used in their quilts during that time. It was a very controversial issue of the day

Cindy had many lovely quilts to show examples of different colors and styles of quilts help to determine their age.

The talk was well received, and enjoyed by all.

## **Nominations / Swearing in of Officers for 2010**

Outgoing Vice President Maxine Tamlin presented the nominees for the 2010 Executive Board: Patti Smith, President; Shawnette Sherwood, Vice President, Becky Williamson, Secretary, and Judee Robinson, Treasurer.

No nominations were received from the floor

A motion to accept the nominees was made by Jan Rondo, and seconded by Linda Heier.

A vote by means of a show of hands to accept the slate of nominees was taken, and the nominees were unanimously approved.

Maxine Tamlin swore in the new officers

President Patti Smith announced that LNCQ belongs to its members; that the board values their input, and we should all make it fun!

## **Break**

Maxine and Norma Carter announced the vote for the revised By-Laws that had been discussed at the last meeting, and were posted on the LNCQ web site. The vote was taken by Norma. There was no opposition, and the revised By-Laws were passed. They will be available on the web site.

A word about the web site—there will be a form that can be used to submit information that you would like to have posted on the web site—

## **Announcements:**

Patti Smith: Block Party—submit blocks for a drawing in December. Patterns are on the web site, and examples are on the poster in the lobby.

Eileen Maelzer (sp?) announced that the Abner Museum at CSU has an exhibit about the silk trade, running through 2/18. Go to the CSU website for additional information.

Programs: Kathee Houser

April meeting will feature Jill Gorski from Jillions of Buttons. There will be a workshop also, the topic to be determined soon.

June: Mabeth Oxenrider

August: Cherly Malkowski from Oregon for the general meeting, and a special event will feature Pat Knoechel on August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Retreat: Ann Eatman

Cost \$206.00 for a double, 309.00 for a single room

There will be no door prizes, but there will be special gifts. There will be a trading table to trade quilting items with other retreaters. Jan from Quilting Hands in Lyons is providing patterns and ideas for "layer cakes" of fabric.

Jan Rondo—Shop in Johnstown is closed but they are running their quilting business from home now. New phone number 970-215-7129. Business cards are available

Linda Wilkins—The Longmont Interfaith Quilters show and sale will take place in March at the First Lutheran Church on the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Terry in Longmont. Preview is Friday 3/5 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, admission is \$5.00.

The sale is Saturday 3/6 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, admission is \$1.00.

Workshops: Margery Richmond

There will be a couple of new workshops with fabric designer Susie Robbins.

Theme: Christmas in July on 7/31. There will be samples of the quilt at the June meeting.

If you have ideas for her to look into - e-mail or call Margery

Patti: Membership will be working on the member directory, and an e-mail will be sent out when it is completed.

Community Service: Sandy Farquhar and Judy Romme have stepped up to fill this important position.

There will be a sew day at the Ranch on 4/24 from 9am - 3pm. We have kits for tops and quilts that need binding. Currently the charity quilts are going to Child Safe. They are open to suggestions / recommendations for other recipients.

Rookie Coach Program: Eileen Maelzer The Rookie Coach program needs donations of supplies. Desperately need more coaches, especially in Windsor and Johnstown.

Show and Tell

15 Quilters showed their beautiful quilts. The talent in this group is amazing and inspiring!

Door Prizes were given out: If your number is drawn for a prize, come to the table and pick what you would like.

Next General Meeting: Monday 4/5, Next Board Meeting Monday 3/1 7:00

Meeting adjourned: 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Becky Williamson, Secretary