

LNCQ General Meeting Minutes
August 2, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Patti Smith promptly at 7:00 pm. And started the meeting with a cute poem: "Quilter Husband's Lament"

A few announcements from Patti:

Retreat: We have a retreat chairperson, and she needs help
The retreat will be at Little America in Cheyenne, 3/24, 25, and 26. The cost should be about what it was last year, around \$200.00

Website: Jean has been working on the website, and some of the member's addresses were lost. Pass around a clipboard—please put your name and address on it if you did not receive the recent postcard or e-mail
Calendar on the website is a live document, and will be kept up to date with activities.

New shop coming to town: "Sewing Circle" plans to open in September. They are a Viking dealership. Located next to Super Target on the west side.

Committee Announcements:

Rookie/Mentor Program, Eileen: The Rookie Program will have an exhibit at the Rocky Mountain Quilt Festival and needs volunteers. Volunteers gain free admission to the show for the day they volunteer.

Programs, Maxine: Patricia Knoechel will be here on 8/23 for a 2 hour program, including a trunk show, demonstration of techniques, and new tools that are available. Free

In October we will have a wearable art style show. Includes Hats, Purses, etc. This is for our general meeting, the first Monday of October.
The workshop with Cheryl Malkowski tomorrow still has room. See Maxine.

Ways and Means, Helena: Garage Sale is coming up in September. Helena is willing to pick up donations. Items do not have to be quilt related, but no clothes, please. Helena passed out informational flyers for the Garage Sale.

7:10 Maxine introduced Cheryl Malkowski. Cheryl has been staying with Maxine, and Maxine has learned a lot about what it takes to publish a book! Cheryl comes from Roseburg, Oregon. She has a husband, a son, a daughter, and 2 grandchildren. She likes to write, she's a long arm quilter. Her quilts

have been exhibited at Paducah, and she has appeared on a television quilt show with Ricky Timms and Alex Anderson. She designs fabric for Timeless Treasures.

Cheryl started her program with thanks for having her here. She announced that all of her speaking fees go to a charitable organization that helps Indian women purchase a sewing machine, and table and a chair so that they can earn money for themselves.

She started quilting in 1993, when she was sewing cheerleading uniforms. Her very 1st quilt project was an Eleanor Burns pattern, but she didn't follow the directions..

In 1998 she designed her 1st pattern "Too Much Honey" showcasing a cute teddy bear.

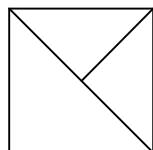
2001 was an awakening for Cheryl, when she attended a retreat that centered on looking at all events and people in your life, categorizing them for importance, and placing them in chronological order. At the end of the retreat a question was posed: "What would you be doing if money were no object and you were guaranteed success?" The answer to this question was "I would quilt" It was at this point that Cheryl decided she was done sewing cheerleading uniforms. She gave herself permission to be creative.

Trunk Show:

1. Daisy Bouquet—Showcased Cheryl's unique technique of using chenille strips in appliqué. This technique is in the "Easy Chenille Appliqué" book. Cheryl showed slides of a tree skirt, and pillows using this technique.
2. Shooting Stars baby quilt with Chenille Appliqué

Cheryl worked on a star quilt and when she got to the border, decided she wanted to piece the border from half-square triangles. She got to wondering how many different designs could be made with only the half-square triangle unit. She started playing with "Y Blocks" and submitted a proposal to C&T Publishing. It was accepted: "Fun with 1 Block Quilts" All of the patterns in this book are constructed of Y Blocks using different colors and/or values to create the design.

This is a "Y Block"



Cheryl showed several quilts and photos of quilts from this book.

1. Triangles All Around in different color ways
2. Pinwheel Puzzle in different color ways
3. Pyramid Colorplay in brights and in monochromatic brown
4. Hugs and Kisses
5. Trails of Illusion

When she received advance copies of her book, she was so excited and she wanted to do something special for her publishing group. She made them post card sized art quilts complete with added embellishments and thread-play, then backed them with paper that she could write on, and sent them as thank you notes. Her book team suggested writing a book about these postcards, and Quilt-O-Grams came to be.

Cheryl passed around several samples of these cute miniature quilt-o-grams.

Cheryl has a new book coming out "Blocks to Diamonds"

The quilts in this book are diamond shaped quilts, but each section of the diamond is a traditional block that has been skewed on the computer. The patterns use a freezer paper, paper-piecing technique in which you do not sew through the paper.

Cheryl showed several beautiful quilts from this new book. She showed pictures of the quilts, with an inset photo of the original traditional block in the margin. Incredible.

This was the end of the program, and Cheryl asked if there were any questions. There was one question about the use of fusible thread, which had been mentioned as being used in the chenille appliqué technique. This thread is used only for temporarily holding the chenille in place so that it can be sewn down. It is used only in the bobbin.

10-Minute Break

Community Announcements:

Shawnette: Quilt Festival at the Ranch in August. \$2.00 off coupons are available, see Shawnette

Diane Smith: She is a member of a fly fishing group called "Sisters on the Fly". She took one of LNCQ charity quilts to an auction to raise funds for people in this group that have, or have had, cancer. The quilt earned \$350.00!

Janet Pugh: If you received an e-mail from Kathee Houser asking you to send money to her in England, it is a scam. Kathee is doing just fine and is in Flagstaff visiting friends.

Rocky Mountain Creative Quilters is hosting Vicki Pignatelli next Monday night. Fort Collins Senior Center, beginning at 6:30 pm. There are still openings in her workshop to be held the same day. Go to R-M-C-Q.org for details.

Tori Anderson: Retreat Chair—needs help. Does not plan on meeting much outside of regular LNCQ meeting times, so it shouldn't be too taxing for anyone. Please help.

Show and Tell

1. Patti Smith- Pinwheel Scrap bed sized Quilt
2. Karen Azevedo- Vintage Valentines block of the month quilt
3. Marjorie- Whimsical Horses bed sized quilt
4. Gail-
 - a. Blue and white bed quilt with >2000 pieces
 - b. Alien Invasion lap quilt with alien fabrics
 - c. Minke throw- Black Red and White
 - d. Minke throw- Browns, animal prints
5. Kathy McDonald. Bed sized quilt made from leftover pieces of other quilts. 56 blocks, each with 144 pieces
6. Loveland Material Girls 1 Hero Quilt, 1 Tossed 9 Patch, purses, fruit/bread basket
7. Paula Pedersen: 2 wall hangings. 1 miniature made in a class with Terry Sandelin at the Fig Leaf, the other Peach and Black with buttons

Patti: There were 65 members and 16 guests in attendance tonight

Drawings for opportunity prizes

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Becky Williamson, secretary. 8/4/10