

## LAUREL MANOR QUILTERS minutes 5-22-12

Surprise! I came to the meeting! We returned home to exchange a rental car for our repaired van, and delay in the work allowed me to be at the Tuesday meeting - so nice to be there after weeks gone. Busy, busy. This was the meeting for Strippers, and they were flying all over the place! President Jeannie conducted the business meeting, touching on subjects listed below, but even before she said, "okay, let's get to work", cutters were stripping and machines were humming. What a great atmosphere of happy production filled the room. AND. . . . we sang Happy Birthday to Jeannie!

The Strippers were VERY productive - literally hundreds of inches of strips were strategically sewn and clipped into quilt tops at an amazing rate of speed. Audrey finished a top - yes, finished (picture attached) during the meeting, and others were closing in behind it! Wow, what a great way to produce something really attractive!

### FROM THE GUILD:

**WHAT COULD YOU SHARE?** The Guild is looking to expand all our horizons with new classes in coming seasons. We have so much talent and knowledge among us that it continues to be preferable to reach within the greater membership to accomplish this. You don't need to be expert at a process, or have all the answers, or be an experienced teacher; you just have to know how to do something that I don't - which is considerable! A project that was just fun to do - like Alice's neat jackets, or seasonal, Pat's tube Santa's - would be of interest to many. So please think about offering a class, and send your thoughts and a schedule of when you're in The Villages and available, to the Guild to the Program Committee at [VP@QGOTV.org](mailto:VP@QGOTV.org). For more information, you can talk to Jeanette at 352 -750-3055 or [rflint5630@aol.com](mailto:rflint5630@aol.com).

**SOCIAL SHARING:** Jeannie and the board members will be coming up with a list of 3 things that our club does as ongoing activities through the year. There is a request from new chapters to know what other chapters do. Well, we're probably one of the more versatile, and because of that, busier, but that's exactly the point. Knowing what we each do, gives lots of inspiration to all. All this information will be shared at the next Guild meeting, June 5th.

The meeting will include the Left Right Center game, played with 5" fabric squares, which will go home with a lucky member.

### SPEAKING OF JUNE 5TH.....

**ROAD TRIP!** Here we go again - Signup sheets are filling, drivers are volunteering, and the group will hit the road at 8 a.m. for Deland and Orange City. You know the drill! Bring your smiles and wallets and enjoy one of our now famous trip meetings - every one a day to remember! Yes! We will be back in time for the Guild meeting.

**OCTOBER RETREAT MONEY DUE.** If you still have a balance due (probably \$140.), and plan on attending the fall retreat, be sure and get that check to that Normal Jean Meyer person asap. 1158 Eureka Mill Run. TV, FL. 32162. Donna's proceeding with another retreat plan for March of 2013 which will run about \$243 and be a 3 night.

So good to see BARB HAPPENY back in the meeting room! Barb is mobile again with a little assistance from Freedom Point helper, Nancy), and always a nice addition to our group. She has donated about 25 yards of fabric ideal for backing our charity quilts. That's a nice help.

#### MEMBER HAPPENINGS:

##### **From Barb Grim:**

*Hi everyone again,*

*Our son went back to the doctor today and got his staples removed and the doctor told him he was cancer free. What a relief!!!*

*Heaven only knows our family has been through an awful lot and Finally, we can get off this roller coaster. He needs to go back in a few days to have the sutures removed. He can drive now too but he is going to wait on that for now. His report was good.*

*Thanks to everyone for your prayers and well wishes. I will continue to keep you posted on any further updates.*

*Hugs to all,  
Barb*

##### **From Nancy Verniel:**

*It looks like you have some great ideas planned for the Summer. Virginia is getting your Spring rain!! I've picked up a fistful of paint chips for the challenge, now all I need is an inspiration. For now I'm plenty busy with a badly overgrown yard.*

*I'll be thinking of you on Tuesday morning.*

*Nancy Verniel*

##### **From me:**

*All continues well with mom and baby. Julie has lost all the water weight from all the swelling, and is happy to be back to almost pre-pregnancy shape and baby continues to be calm, preferring to sleep more than anything, but healthy. Thank you again for all your support.*

##### **About Mackey**

A group showed up at Linda's home after Tuesday's meeting to help sort through a rather large collection of scraps, stash, and notions that Mackey was not able to take with her. Linda helped get it picked up on Friday and it will take more work to organize and get ready for future use by the chapter, for charity, auction, and other use. A small group phone call to Mackey over the weekend, found her doing better, waiting for personal furnishings and items to make her new location feel more like home, but making an effort to meet people and participate as best she can in Okla. There's a mild rumbling of interest in discovering quilt shops between here and Tulsa since that conversation . . . .hmmmm.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

5/29 - BYO project - possibly doing the pillow cases

6/5 - Day trip - Deland/Orange City

6/5 - Quilt Guild meeting 7:00 Laurel Manor

6/12 - BYO project

6/19 - Flynn Frame demo, Donna Burner