

March 4, 2014 Showcase Committee Meeting

All chapters had a representative at the meeting.

Sharon reviewed some of the things on which the Steering Committee is currently working:

* The fabric for additional drapes and end caps has been ordered and should be delivered in the next few weeks to Big Cypress. They will be making the extra drapes/end caps that are needed. The Steering Committee plans to look in the storage unit to see if there is enough fabric to make the chapter end caps that are needed -- Big Cypress, Khaki Quilters, and Mamie's Quilters still need their end caps. Bradenton already has their end cap. These need to be made first so that chapters will have time to create their personal end cap.

* The challenge quilt rules are now on the QGOTV web site (www.qgotv.org).

* **IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE** -- Quilt pick up after judging will now occur on January 10 (not the 9th as originally anticipated). We are planning to use the extra day to photograph the quilts for a CD that will be sold at the show.

* Judging Volunteers -- As of this meeting, Cathy had only received names from 4 chapters. Chapters have until May 1st to submit a name if someone in their chapter is interested in volunteering to assist during the judging days. Please send your chapter's volunteer information (name, email, phone) to Cathy at. (**NOTE from Cathy:** I accidentally gave out my "personal" email address at the meeting vs. my "quilting" email address. I'll get your information regardless of which email you use, but I prefer the one listed here for quilting related emails. Sorry about the confusion!)

* Dale is contacting local hotels to obtain discounts for vendors.

* Sharon is working with Beth Bender and Teresa Hatfield with regard to the possibility of obtaining a credit card machine for use by the boutique and silent auction.

Round Robin discussion: (only those areas with an update are included here)

Publicity (Captive Divas) -- Jeanne Markle shared a copy of the bird of paradise picture that they plan to use for publicity. She will arrange for Sharon to get an electronic version of the design so that it can be used for the show program.

Antique Quilts (Chatham) -- Kris Loffler asked coordinators to mention to their members that she is looking for older quilts (50 years and older) that have a good story associated with them. Members should contact Kris if they would like to share their quilt at the show. The quilts will be displayed on the stage, and they do not need a hanging sleeve. Kris is also in need of "readers" during the show. She prepares a script that is

read at various times through the show. It lasts about a half hour. Members who are interested in doing this should contact Kris at the email address above.

Chinese Auction (Lake Miona) -- Nancy Wildzunas mentioned that we need baskets for the items that the vendors donate. Members willing to donate wicker baskets (various sizes) should bring them to a Guild meeting and give them to Nancy.

Boutique (Laurel Manor) -- Jackie Perez indicated that she still needs the names of who will be representing some chapters. She plans to call a meeting of the group soon. If you haven't already done so, please send her your chapter's representative. There was a brief discussion regarding the need for a representative if a chapter decides they are not participating in the boutique, and the answer was no. However, if there is an individual within the chapter who plans to put something in the boutique, they should be coming to Jackie's meetings.

Vendors (Mulberry) -- Carol Knoll indicated we have 18 vendors who have indicated interest in participating in the show. All but 5 have paid, and she has sent them reminders. Alice Fowler asked Carol to let her know which vendors have paid and how much has been paid so that a reconciliation can be done when needed. When asked how the vendors were selected, Carol indicated she started with a list from Ann (from Marketplace), as well as walked around the Jacksonville show and talked to vendors there. She was also given some names. Based on the order in which she received the information, she sent 28 invitations out.

Demos (Mulberry) -- Patty Rizzo mentioned that she is waiting to schedule the vendor volunteers first. Once that is complete, she will be soliciting guild members to do demos.

Challenge Quilt (SeaBreeze) -- Barb Holtermann indicated that kits are being sold at guild meetings. If you have members who aren't able to attend guild meetings and they are interested in participating in the challenge quilt, please contact Barb and she will visit your chapter with the kits.

Silent Auction (Sunset Pointe) -- Pat Reed mentioned that they are preparing a letter to be sent to all chapter presidents that will include the request for items (based on 10% of chapter membership), along with the rules. A brief discussion resulted in the direction that all items in the silent auction must be quilted (i.e., small quilts, placemats, purses, clothing, table runners, etc.).

Charity Quilt (Sunset Pointe) -- Tickets for the opportunity quilt are being sold at guild meetings. Over \$1,000 was sold at Marketplace.

The next Coordinator meeting will be Tuesday, April 1, at Laurel Manor at 6:00 p.m.