

NSQG Annual Meeting, Sunday July 27th, 2014

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For the year July 2013 to July 2014.

Held in the Platte River Room at the Quality Inns and Suites in North Platte, Nebraska

Meeting opened at 8:30 AM by President Mary Weich.

Board Members Present 24

Mary Weich, President	Shirley Spence, President Elect
Janet Wilson, Secretary	Susan Seidel, Treasurer
Marilyn Rembolt, Region 1 Dir.	Janet Atkinson, Region 2 Dir.
Jan Hibbs, Region 3 Dir.	Barb Shepardson, Region 3 Dir.
Dianne Thomas, Friends of IQSC Liaison	Kay Grimminger, NE State Fair Liaison
Cindy Scheinost, Awards	Fay Kliewer, By-Laws and Policies
Jayne Schlosser, Historian	Katie Wilson, Library Project
Susan Schoenauer, Quilt Mom 2014	Mari Clark, Quilt Mom 2015
Carol Brandl, Threads Across Nebraska	Pam Thomas, QNE Site Selection
Sharron Nejedly, QNE 14 Co-Chair	Terry Heessel, QNE 14 Co-Chair
Kelly Thomalla, QNE 14 Co-Chair	Deb Austin, QNE15 Co-Chair
Gloria Miller, QNE 15 Co-Chair	Sandra Kosch QNE 15 Co-Chair

Board Members Absent 10

Alice Cruz, Advisor	Sharon Clark, Region 1 Dir.
Mary Dudzinski, Region 2 Dir.	Betz McMahon, Newsletter
Jan Sittler, NE State Fair Superintendent	
Sheila Green, Education	Darice Cecil, Membership
Chris Wiegers, Website	Miriam Peterson, QNE Site Selection
Penni Jensen, Publicity	

Opening Notes

There were also many NSQG members that stayed for the meeting. An actual count was not done but the number in this attendance was estimated at about 95.

Secretary's Report

The Annual Report for last year, July 2013 was printed in the June 2014 newsletter.

Jan Hibbs made a motion that we accept the minutes as printed.

Seconded by Kay Grimminger.

Motion passed.

Treasures Report

A verbal report along with a printed report was given by Susan Seidel.

See attached copy.

The report was printed in the April 2014 Newsletter.

Year End Report for NSQG 2013

Total Income	\$45,462.92
Total Expenses	\$34,919.97

Net Income \$10,542.95

Checking at Great Western Bank	\$30,244.14
Savings Account at Great Western Bank	\$30,373.58
CD's	\$12,741.24
	\$12,466.41
	<u>\$12,551.69</u>
Total of CD's	\$37,759.34
Total of Checking, Savings & CD's	\$98,377.06

Liabilities

QNE 14	(40,000.00)
QNE 15	(20,000.00)
Threads 2014	<u>(4,000.00)</u>
Total	(64,000.00)

Susan also reported that \$492.47 was received the previous night at the "pass the hat" for the convention scholarship fund.

A motion to approve the treasures report was made by Elaine Koenig.

Seconded by Carol Kusek

Motion Passed.

District Directors Reports

Region I, Marilyn Rembolt, no report.

Region II, A verbal report was given by Janet Atkinson. Janet handed out an information card on their upcoming quilt gathering in Albion, NE on Saturday September 27, 2014. 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. See attached copy. The gathering is titled "Quilts of Local Color". The gathering will be held at Zion Lutheran Church, 5th and Hwy. 9 in Albion. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. with programs starting at 9. There is no cost to attend but a catered lunch will be \$10.00 with prepaid reservation. Programs are: "Color My World" by Carol Kusek. "Who has Time to Quilt" by Nancy Shavlik.

There will be a demonstration of fiber handiwork during lunch time.

"Basket of Doll Quilts" by Jeanine Peeks, and

"13 Quilts for the Bride" by Jan Person.

There will also be a quilt show of quilts by local quilters at the Samaritan Estates on South Sixth Street.

Region III, There was a written report handed out. See attached copy. Jan Hibbs also gave a verbal report. Jan and Barb Shepherdson gave a report on the Region III Quilt Gathering that was held in Cozad NE on April 26, 2014.

Jan commented that the quilt gathering at Arapahoe in 2012 had 81 attendees from 34 different communities in Nebraska. This year's gathering in Cozad had 118 attending from 40 different towns and 2 from out of state. That was an increase of 40 people attending. She noted that from this result it is worth the guilds time and money to hold these gatherings. Having full day gatherings do more to fulfill our purpose.

She also suggested that because region 3 is so large (it is the western half of the state) that it should be considered that regions be divided into 2 or 3 additional regions. Each of these would hold a gathering. There are many quilters out there that can come to a one day event but not the state convention. The total cost of the last Region 3 gathering was \$489.53, which came out to about \$4.00 a person. Jan also suggested that because the region is so big maybe it would be possible to divide current districts so that they would not cover such a large area and maybe consider having more gatherings in the state.

This is Jan Hibbs last year as Region III Director and she thanked everyone for the privilege of serving and for their help.

Barb Shepherdson gave an invite to attend the Region III Quilt Gathering in North Platte NE in April of 2015.

Committee/Project Reports

Awards: A written report was submitted. See attached copy.

A verbal report was given by Cindy Scheinost along with the written report.

Cindy announced the following awards:

The Friendship Star Award was given to Terry Heessel, Sharron Nejedly and Kelly Thomalla for all their great work for QNE 14.

The Radiant Star Award was given for an "Outstanding Deed Well Done" to Darice Cecil for her seven years of outstanding work as the Membership Chairman of NSQG and her efforts as a member of NSQG.

The Variable Star was awarded to NSQG member Susan E. Brown of Hastings NE for her numerous noteworthy contributions to the heritage of quilt making.

Cindy thanked everyone who wrote a letter of nomination. These letters are on file. It is important to recognize the person or groups that are truly outstanding in contributing to the world of quilting. She encouraged members to nominate and send detailed letters of those who they see as greatly contributing to quilting.

Cindy thanked the awards committee for all their work in helping her. They were Sandy Hanson, Colleen Minnick, Mary Ann Reimer, Gloria Miller, Karen Ruwe, Jayne Schlosser, Barb Engebretsen and Vickie Wiens.

Cindy also presented a bill for \$114.62 to cover the costs of medals, postage and other items.

By-Laws and Policies: Fay Kliewer - No report.

Education: A written report was submitted. See attached copy.

Historian: Jayne Schlosser - No report.

Library: A written report was submitted. See attached copy.

A verbal report was given by Katie Wilson. There are 291 public libraries in Nebraska. This year quilt books were given to 276 of these libraries. 15 libraries declined the offer of a quilt book.

The title of the book given was "T-Shirt Quilts Made Easy," by Martha Deleonardis. Total cost was \$3004.96. Katie received many thank you notes from libraries all over the state.

One more library has chosen to decline a book this coming year. The number of libraries that will receive a book will be 275.

Membership: Darice Cecil - No report.

Raffle Quilt Mom: There was a verbal report from Susan Schoenauer.

Total of 3090 raffle tickets were sold on Saturday night of the convention for this year's quilt.

The new Raffle Quilt Mom, Marie Clark gave a verbal report.

About 1520 raffle tickets were sold on Saturday night for the new quilt.

Marie's contact information for tickets will be in the August newsletter.

The 2015 NSQG Raffle Quilt "Shimmering Stars" was presented. The quilt was created and made by Marie Clark, Gloria Miller and Joan Waldman, with the quilting done by Kris Vierra. Information about the quilt will be the August newsletter. It is planned so far for the quilt to be displayed at the Nebraska State Fair, two craft shows in Columbus NE, at Threads Across Nebraska in Kearney, other quilt guilds and Norfolk.

The 2014 Raffle Quilt "Ride the Rails" was won by April Franke of Palmer, Iowa. 50571

Phone # 712-359-2531

The winning raffle ticket number was #1246

April's mother Judy Rohrich was in attendance and received the quilt for her.

Site Selection: A written report was submitted, see attached copy.

Pam Thomas gave a verbal report. QNE 2016 is booked at the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln.

QNE 2017 will be Region III's turn to host. There is a conflict of dates with Younes Conference Center in Kearney, they have another group scheduled so we will not be able to schedule at Younes.

UNK only books non-university functions one year out. We need more time to plan, so this facility will not work.

Ramada Conference Center has made some renovations to their site and we could fit most of the classes there and the date for July 27-30, 2017 is open. They will be talking to Ramada to schedule QNE 17.

NE State Fair Superintendent: A written report was submitted by Jan Sittler. See attached copy.

Kay Grimminger read this report to the group. "A Bumper Crop of Fun" is the theme of the 2014 Nebraska State Fair.

NE State Fair Liaison: Kay Grimminger - No report.

Publicity: No report.

Friends of ISQC Liaison: A written report was submitted. See attached copy. A verbal report was also given by Dianne Thomas who read the report.

Website: No report.

Threads Across Nebraska: A verbal report was given by Carol Brandl. This is the 10th year anniversary for Threads Across Nebraska so they would like to have a large show this year. She encourage those who enter quilts at the State Fair to consider show there quilts at Threads. Volunteers are need for the event, for hanging and collection and the administrative desk. Also for take down and checking out. Please contact her if you can help. She will also have a sign up sheet at the State Fair. There are 31 vendors so far and hope to have 35 by the time of the event. This year each vendor will be featured, they will have 5 to 10 minutes to talk about their booth. The dates are October 10th and 11th, 2014 in Kearney NE.

QNE 14: A Verbal report was given by Kelly Thomalla. QNE 14 was a success. There were 184 full registrations, 15 half or one day registrations and 77 people for the Quilt History Day. We had 5 national teachers and 12 regional teachers in attendance. There were attendees from KS, IA, SD, CO, FL, TX, AR, MI as well as Nebraska. 30 people went on the tour of the Golden Spike.

QNE 15: There was a written report submitted. See attached copy. There was also a verbal report given by Deb Austin. Gloria Miller and Sandi Kosch were also in attendance.

There are Challenge papers still available for next year. Teacher's forms are also available, she encouraged state quilt teachers to consider teaching a class. Next year will be the 30th year anniversary for QNE. The theme for QNE15 is "Celebrating 30 years of Quilt Nebraska."

QNE 15 will be July 23-26, 2015 at the Norfolk Lodge and Suits at the Divots Conference Center in Norfolk NE. This is the first time for QNE to be in Norfolk. The rooms will be \$89.99, and the facility has an elevator for those staying on the upper floors. A postcard was handed out with the information about QNE 15 including the phone numbers for making reservations. This information will also be available on the web site.

Jan Sears will be the speaker for Quilt History Day. The national teachers that will be coming are Gayle Bong, Sue Nickels, Jenny Doan, Mabeth Oxenreider and Suzi Parron who will be giving a class on painting for barn quilts.

They have a big group of ladies committed to helping them.

Nominating Committee: A written nominating report was printed on the agenda for the meeting. See attached copy. Shirley Spence gave a verbal report; she thanked the ladies that made the Raffle Quilt for next year. She thanked the nominating committee that helped her, they are Crystal Hoskins, Colleen Minnick and Mary Dudzinski.

Shirley Spence presented the slate of nominations for the NSQG Board for 2015.

President Elect: Marty Kleppinger

Treasurer: Dee Augustin

Region 1: Jill Vanderboegh

Region 2: Nancy Peters

Region3: Bea Bauerle

Awards: Mary Kampfe

By-Laws: Leeann Meduna

Membership: Lavonne Dunetts

QNE Site Selection Committee: Susan Weber and Bonnie Kucera

National Quilting Day: Sandy Hanson.

Continuing Board Members:

Secretary, Janet Wilson

Region 1: Sharon Clark

Region 2: Mary Dudzinski

Region 3: Barb Shepardson

There were no additional nominations from the floor.

Susan Weber made a motion to unanimously accept the ballet as presented.

Seconded by Jan Hibbs

Motion passed. These officers will start in January of 2015.

Unfinished Business: No report.

New Business: Kelly Thomalla reported that 2 bags of purchases were found together under a vendors table. No one at the board meeting claimed them or knew who they belonged to.

Kelly will keep them with her in hopes that the person they belong to contacts her.

Other Business:

Janet Wilson made a suggestion that we should maybe have a work meeting this fall to discuss and brainstorm on ways to promote, get younger members and bring back the membership of NSQG. Mary Weich said she would look into the board doing this.

Someone asked for the numbers on membership, but we did not have an up to date figure to give at this time.

President Mary Weich adjourned the meeting and the convention at 9:25 AM.

The next NSQG Convention is scheduled for Sunday July 26, 2015 at the Divots Lodge in Norfolk NE.