

Edmond Quilt Guild Highlights for 2015

The Year in Review

President: Kathy Opalka
Vice-President: Sherry Bellack
Secretary: Lee Gray
Treasurer: Patty Hamm
Membership: Alice Kellogg
Programs: Cherrie Hampton
Communications: Joyce Wolf
Loving Touch Committee: Janice Yount
Hospitality Committee: Shirley Weiss; Linda Olsen
Web Master: Perry Reid
Quilt Show Chair: Sue Esparza & Wendy Wells

Programs:

January 20: "Iron Quilter's" - 2nd Annual - Sit 'n Sew Day 9am-8pm - Lee Gray's Mystery Quilt. Over 30 members had a good time as the discussion revolved around the benefits of starching before or after cutting and the merits of squaring up each block.

February 17: Sherry Meeks - "Everything Old is New Again". Sherry discussed modern quilting.

March 17: Dick Cooper - "Field-Fabric-Fashion". Mr. Cooper spoke about the cotton industry.

April 21: Emmie Seaman - "Good Grief". Ms. Seaman talked about a quilt made for a member of her fiber art group who was diagnosed with cancer. The quilt became a coffin quilt titled "Good Grief".

May 19: Elsie Campbell - "Value of Value"

June ~Summer Break~

July 21: Jan Patek - "Quilts as Refrigerator Art"

August 18: Ruth Powers - "Dare to be Different" Workshop - "Introduction to Picture Piecing"

September 15: Betsy Chutchian - "Just Tricks, No Treats"

October 20: "Getting to Know You highlighting guild members Karen Munger and Lee Gray"

November 17: Jane Sassaman - "Jane's Textile Treasures Garden"

December 22: Christmas Party Musical stylings by Kimberly Arnold and "Christmas is always in Style A History of Hats" by Sue Ellen Ferguson

Workshops

Jan Patek - "Needle Turn Appliqué "

Elsie Campbell - "Love My Stash"

Ruth Powers - "Introduction to Picture Piecing" Freezer paper piecing of Coneflowers

October 20 - Cherrie Hampton stepped in and presented Maria's workshop in her absence.

November 17 Jane Sassaman - "Leaf Sampler"

New Advertisers/Vendors:

No new advertisers

President Challenge:

Make a name tag that will show a side of you we may not know, a favorite item or make a statement. There will be prizes for the Favorite, Funniest, and Most Unique voted on by your peers. The Favorite was Cherrie Hampton's, Funniest was Ginny's, and Most Unique was Linda Chrisco's Crisco Can.

Vice President Challenge:

Guild members were challenged to design a small quilt either 18x24" or 24" square depicting what a season means to you. Each of four seasons were judged separately at the July meeting.

Activities:

National Quilting Day was celebrated with a Sit n Sew day in March.

Loving Touch:

Brown Bag Challenge - Inside each brown bag was a selection of coordinating fabrics. Members made a quilt top, crib sized, and quilted it. The challenge was to use fabrics you might not

normally put together!! Quilts were judged at the April guild meeting by members with prizes awarded to winners. 37 quilts were donated to Loving Touch organizations.

ATTA Girl Acknowledgement:

The NQA national show was held in Little Rock, AR, this year. The guild's 2014 raffle quilt won first place! Other prize-winners were Kerry Fisbeck with a 3rd place ribbon and Lee Gray won an Honorable Mention. Alice Kellogg and Lea Alspaugh were also entrants.

Fiberworks was held June 5 until July 10 in Tulsa. Every year EQG sponsors a prize for best quilt. This year the winner was Shannon Conley and she certainly deserved it. Charlotte Hickman took a Merit Award. Debi Pickens had two pieces accepted and Cherrie Hampton had a collaborative piece that was done with ceramic and fabric.

SAQA, Studio Art Quilt Associates, presented "Midwest Metaphors" in Kansas City, MO through May and June of this year. Brenda Esslinger, Cherrie Hampton, and Charlotte Hickman had pieces hanging in that show.

Besides having pieces in Fiberworks and Midwest Metaphors, the quilt Cherrie Hampton made of her granddaughter, Jillian, turning six years old (many of you have seen this quilt) is touring Europe with a SAQA exhibit. Sacred Threads in Virginia asked Cherrie if one of her "water" quilts could be part of their two-year traveling exhibit. NQA wrote an article about Cherrie.

Winners at COQG's quilt show were:

Sarah Daneke took 2 red ribbons.

Bettye Chalk also took a red ribbon and an Honorable Mention.

Brenda Esslinger won 2 third-place ribbons.

Kerry Fisbeck was awarded 2 blue ribbons and a second place ribbon.

Vicki Daniel went home with a white ribbon

Alice Kellogg won a red ribbon.

Joyce Curtis took a blue, a red, 2 Honorable Mentions, and a Sponsor Award.

Linda Eiseman won an Honorable Mention.

Lee Gray took 2 blues, 2 Honorable Mentions, 2 Sponsor Awards.

Jo Balding won a white ribbon.

Charlene Brewer won a red one.

Charlotte Hickman took a 3rd place and an Honorable Mention.

Jill Moore won an Honorable Mention.

Other entrants were: Lena Frost and Sandy Gard.

In Memoriam:

William J. "Bill" Crye - May 20, 1931—March 5, 2015

Bill Crye passed away on March 5, 2015. Bill served in the U.S. Navy and retired from Westinghouse after 30 years of service. Bill transitioned into working with fabric and quickly became well known in the quilting community in Oklahoma City. There are quilts he produced in many homes through-out the state and nation. He was involved in making quilts for the Wounded Warrior Project and also lap quilts for local nursing homes. He will be missed.

Perry and Missy Reid's son, Connor, passed away June 2. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Dagmar Perry's husband passed away unexpectedly.

Our workshop speaker and teacher Maria Elkins lost her husband unexpectedly.

Membership

By the end of the year membership had reached 163 members.