

Edmond Quilt Guild Highlights for 2016 The Year in Review

President: Kathy Opalka

Vice-President: Becky Beierle; Sue Esparza

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Membership: Andrea Stallings

Programs: Cherrie Hampton

Webmaster & Communications: Dottie Alexander

Loving Touch Committee: Janice Yount; Jasmine Malone

Hospitality Committee: Linda Olsen

Quilt Show Chair: Sue Esparza & Wendy Wells

Programs:

January 26 - "Sit 'n Sew" - Approximately 25 members worked on items for the Artisans Market for this year's quilt show.

February 16 - Sherry Meeks - "Decorating with Quilts"

March 15 - Cathy Miller - "The Singing Quilter from Canada"

April 19 - Randa Parrish - "New ideas and techniques" Randa discussed her favorite quilt design, curves and circles.

May 17 - Melody Crust - "So many ideas: So little time"

June 21 - No Meeting

July 8-9 2016 EQG Quilt Show

July 19 - Quilt Show Celebration and Update

August 16 - Liz Bergey - "The History of the Sewing Machine"

September 20 - Velda Newman - "A Painters Approach to Quilt Design"

October 18 - Quilter's Swap Meet

November 15 - Alice Klob - "Silver Threads and Golden Needles"

December 20 - Christmas Party - photos with Santa, Christmas gift exchange, lots of wonderful food, music,

Workshops

Cathy Miller - "Mock Mola Appliqué" demonstrated techniques to do reverse appliqué

Melody Crust taught new ideas for "Fast Piping and Binding"

Velda Newman - Velda's two day workshop was on "Bird Studies"

Alice Klob - "Sew a Crooked Line"

2016 Quilt Show:

The quilt show was a huge success based on financial and attendance reports. Sue Esparza won the raffle quilt; however, she sold tickets and gave tickets as door prizes during her visit earlier to the Western Branch of the Irish Patchwork Society in Galway City, Ireland. Susan Joyce in Galway received the quilt. There were 139 quilts by 62 members entered into the show. Seventy-five (75) ribbons were awarded. The Founder's Award was given to Martha Spark for her "What if the Navajo used Green?"

New Advertisers/Vendors:

The Quilted Hart, Newcastle, OK

Prairie Moon Primitives, Wayne, OK

Vice President Challenges:

Sampler Block in Blue and White - for every 12-1/2" block you made you received a chance to win all of the blocks. The next month it was an Appliqué Flower Block Challenge with the same guidelines.

ATTA Girl Acknowledgement:

Cherrie Hampton was in the Feb/Mar 2016 issue of Quilting Arts magazine with her "Make a Wish" quilt. This article was about a contest sponsored by SAQA in which the quilts had to have a food theme.

Cherrie was also juried into "Quilts for Change" contest that will debut at the United Nations in Geneva. This quilt depicts small children of Africa and emphasizes the need for good, safe, and fresh water.

Charlotte Hickman was on The Quilt Show on February 28th. Show #1805.

Cherrie Hampton had a wall hanging judged in the Painted Quilts category and another in a special exhibit about water accepted into the International Quilt Festival in Houston.

Charlotte Hickman was there too with a quilt in the Quilter's Newsletter special exhibit, and it

sold!

EQG was in the top five in the OKC Gazette's Best of Oklahoma voting in the Best Charity Event

State Fair winners for this year are:

Brenda Esslinger was the big winner with 4 blue ribbons, 2 reds, 2 whites, and 5th place for a throw pillow. She also won **Best of Show** in the Wallhanging category.

Tracy Smith won 1 blue and 1 white.

Patti Pickhard had 1 red and a 10th place.

Sharon Banta took 1 blue and 1 red.

Lisa Stroble had 1 blue, 1 red, a 4th, and 5th place.

Jill Banta won 2 blues and 2 reds.

Christie Steiner received 1 blue, 2 reds, and a 4th place.

Toni Galley had 2 blues, 1 red, and 1 white.

Loving Touch:

In September, a Loving Touch Shower was held. Guild members donated novelty fabrics, cake squares, juvenile prints, jelly rolls, baby novelties, geometric prints, young adults (boy's ranch), fat quarter bundles, and coordinating fabric. Also, lots of batting was in the mix!

In Memoriam:

Sherrill Lewis was a friend of the guild, sometimes a member of the guild, and always a friend to any quilter, sewer or beader. Sherrill died of ALS, and we shall miss her smiling face and upbeat personality. She never met a stranger and was always willing to help anyone with beading. Her talent was unique, just as she was. Our sympathies go to her husband, Gene, who most of us knew because he helped her so much with the Bead Ranch in Stillwater.

Vickie Hundert, owner of the OKC winter show/OSCEXPOS, passed away on or about Nov. 17th. The January OKC Winter Quilt Show was cancelled.

Membership

By the end of the year membership had reached 186 members.