

Nimble Fingers Quilters  
General Meeting Minutes  
May 6, 2009  
Thirty-fifth Anniversary Celebration

- Welcome: Priscilla Lai and Ruan Robertson (Co-Presidents) opened the meeting by reminding the members to turn off their cell phones.
  
- Business Meeting:  
New Fiscal Year: We are beginning a new fiscal year. The new officers, elected last month, were introduced:  
Priscilla Lai and Ruan Robertson, Co-Presidents  
Ellie Lomax, Vice-President  
Anne Datko, Treasurer  
Sheila Kramer, Secretary
  - Lisa Walker, former Vice-President, will be moving out of the area this summer. She was thanked for all of her hard work this past year.
  - Memberships are due for renewal now. Dues remain at \$25. Membership runs from May 1 through April 30.
  
- Committees:
  - We have a Quilt Show Chair! Beverly Ferrell has agreed to take the position for our show in 2010.
  - Volunteers are needed for a new Nominating Committee to begin work in September.
  - Volunteers are urgently needed for a new Hospitality Committee as Anne Hammond and Mary Hagan are stepping down in June.
  - Francie Parrack is stepping down as Historian. She was thanked for her years of service to the

guild. Susan Sellers, who will take over as Historian, was introduced.

Announcements:

- Lisa Walker announced that she is working on organizing a toiletries drive for our June meeting. If anyone has suggestions about shelters or other agencies that would benefit from such a donation, please get in touch with Lisa.
- Betty Ford announced that we will be holding our first yard sale during our October meeting. It's going to be a great opportunity to get rid of all the quilting supplies and fabric you don't use and buy some new quilting supplies and fabric.
- Raffle Quilt: Margaret Hartranft reported that the committee has assembled kits from the fabric that the guild members dyed. Please sign up to complete a kit and return it by the June meeting. Instructions and a mailing envelope are included with the kits. Diane Heller has agreed to head up the appliqué portion of the process.
- Pam Hahn announced that the next Bee will be May 21<sup>st</sup>. Quilting Bees are held at Habitat for Humanity at 9110 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg (near Capitol Quilts) from 10:00am - 12:30pm. Participants usually go out for lunch afterwards. All are welcome for fun, frolic and freedom!
- Raffle Baskets: Anne Trudel is collecting fat quarters for the raffle baskets.
- Program Committee
  - June will be the authors of "One Block Wonders."

- September will be the authors of "Stratavarious Quilts."
  - The October meeting will be our new guild "Yard Sale." On the following day Amanda Ford will conduct a fabric-dyeing workshop.
  - Burt White will collect money from those who have signed up.
  
- Show and Tell: Members displayed recently completed quilts.
  - Then members displayed quilts that resulted from classes they had taken over the years with Lois Smith.
  
- Thirty-Fifth Anniversary Celebration:
 

Founding members of the guild were introduced and thanked. The founder of the guild was Fay Goldey, who now lives in Texas. Other original members of the guild are: Nancy Johnson, Yoko Sawanobori, Alice Sanslone and Jeanne Timken. Alice and Jeanne were able to attend and were asked to stand and be recognized.
  
- Meeting Program
  - Francie Parrack then introduced Lois Smith. Lois then presented a program on her remarkable quilting career.
  - Following the program Lois was presented with a memory book. Thanks to Cheryl Layman for compiling the book.

- Lunch:  
The meeting then adjourned for a delightful catered lunch. Thanks to Lisa Walker and Jacqueline Callahan and their helpers and hostesses for putting it all together. Priscilla Lai, Co-President, made a toast to the guild and the celebration cakes were cut.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Kramer