Out-going president Barbara Maxwell called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Samarkand meeting room. There were approximately 110 members present plus three guests, including former member Ellie Wright. Barbara introduced herself and explained the evening's format.

It was announced that our Guild was on KEYT-TV news twice today because of our gift of quilts to Transition House!

Claire Hemke, chair of our Community Projects, introduced our guest, Jill Cordover, Ph.D., Executive Director of Transition House (Jill was accompanied by Tana Sommer, Publications.) We presented Transition House with 40 large quilts, 8 baby quilts, and 6 clutch balls (the balls were donated by June Brandon). Jill thanked us warmly for the quilts and talked about the efforts of Transition House to help those who need it.

As Barbara was retiring as president, she spoke of what the two years have meant to her, especially the friendships she has formed. She gave thanks to all those who had helped her, and to her officers chairpersons she presented small gifts (a mug with the Guild logo; a jar of Orvus, and some small candies.) See attached list. On behalf of the Guild members, Carol Boyce presented to Barbara a quilt with blocks made by the members. (Carol Boyce set the blocks and Harriet Berk did the machine quilting.) The presidency of the Guild was then passed to Judy Gorrindo.

Announcements: Judy announced that the membership renewal form is in tonight's newsletter. Please fill it out and return tonight. Carol Boyce is taking orders for books from AQS. There will be a meeting for the SB Quilt at Barbara's home office on Monday, Jan. 24, at 7:30. Jan Inouye had sent word that there are still a few spaces in the January workshop with Ruth McDowell.

**Program:** Norah McMeeking thanked all those who had had helped her with the programs over the year. She presented a small gift to Suzy Carter, who looks after our meeting room and sees that it is set up for us.

SANTA arrived! He had seen us on TV this morning and thanked all for making the quilts for Transition House. Then he left us a bag of candy canes and wished us all Merry Christmas.

Norah explained our game for the evening: Each member received a printed quilt block, which somebody pinned to her back, The object of the game was to guess the block by asking questions of other members. Questions must be ones that can be answered yes or no. Only two questions of each member. The game was a good mixer.

For the second part of our party, each member had brought two fat quarters, wrapped individually. These were passed three times to our right. Our first gift was opened. Then each decided whether to open the second gift or to pass on the first gift and receive another gift. After this there was a 20 minute break.

Zetta Hanna presented to the Guild our Opportunity Quilt for 1994, a wonderful Baltimore Album quilt done by the Guild's First Applique Group. The quilt is hand appliqued and hand quilted. Zetta explained that most of the patterns used come from the books by Ellie Sienkiewicz. The twelve members of the First Applique Group are: Zetta Hanna, Mary Main, Kay Hunt, June Brandon, Lee Carlson, Helena Kennedy, Shirley Ofria, Irene Parker, Cathy Rampton, Melody Bollay, Lena Scarfeld, and Wanda Livernois.

Block of the Month: Maggie Godwin announced that 43 Christmas Tree blocks had come in. It was decided to split these into three sets, which were won by Marjorie Hall, Nancy Hori, and Jana Julian. Marty Frolli, our '94 block chair, then came up to demonstrate our January block, Grandmother's Choice. Then Maggie held the drawing for the grand prize for those who had made twelve blocks for the year. Thirteen people qualified for the drawing; 292 blocks had been made in 1993. Three gift certificates were presented (one had been donated by Betty's Fabrics.) The winners were Janet Berlin, Faradeh Maho, and Nancy Hori.

Lee Carlson conducted the drawing for the Door Prize, a decorated tee shirt donated especially for our Christmas Party. Colby Kline was the winner.

Kathy Doughty then led a fun sing-a-long, "The Twelve Blocks of Christmas."

Nine members shared at Show & Tell, including Barbara, who had made a toy elephant using the pattern by Yoop Smits. This pattern will soon be in the Guild library.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Zetta Hanna, Recording Secretary

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