

The meeting was called to order by president Ranell Hansen at 7:05 PM. The room was packed.

Diane Eardley introduced and welcomed 10 guests and 9 (!) new members.

Ranell thanked the volunteers who worked at the Santa Barbara Fair and Expo May 1 - 2. Congratulations to all who won prizes - unfortunately not yet published in the Santa Barbara News Press. As the display of quilts at the fair is less than satisfactory, she suggested we plan to help the fair organizers hang quilts next year.

Volunteers for July 4 at Stow House are needed. The celebration is old fashioned and fun--volunteers will sell opportunity quilt tickets, quilt a little, and visit with the public. A sign up sheet was circulated for 2 hour shifts. Betty Kelley has volunteered to coordinate the event.

A straw poll was taken to determine whether the door prize drawing would happen before the speaker or after. The results (47 to 42) were inconclusive. There were from the membership suggestions that we return to the old way; Ranell suggested that anyone wishing for that should speak to Debbie Sayers at the break.

Carol Meyer piqued our interest with a series of "time" idioms for this year's quilt challenge, "A Stitch in Time." The quilts are due October 14.

Ellen Richardson circulated a sign up sheet for hostesses for speakers, asking that volunteers note smoking/not; pets/not/what kind. Judy Stanton has generously offered the use of her guest house, so hostesses are responsible primarily for meals and transportation. The guild will reimburse those expenses. In June, the speaker is Ricky Tims; in July, Lura Schwartz-Smith, a Bay Area graphic artists (by training).

Karin Cooper gave an update on upcoming workshops. She showed some color prints of Ricky Tims's work, taken from the internet. Lura Schwartz Smith's workshop in July will focus completely on design; no sewing.

Show and Tell: Leslie Hogan, "Propeller"...Suzy Carter, charity quilt...Deena Winkeler, "Flame Dove II," stained glass applique...Marcia Moore, two baby quilts...Michelle Peerson, "Fish Galore" wall-hanging...Barbara Gregoire, "Space"...Harlene Bailey, 2 baby crib quilts...Karen Pickford, 3 Angel Quilts and "Lucky Stars" block of the month...Jane Manasse, stack 'n whack...Ingrid Engmyr, Blooming Ninepatch and blue/yellow baby quilt...Kristine Otte, "Grandmother's Hexgarden"... Show and tell from the Santa Barbara Cloth Dolls and Friends: Carol Barringer, 3 Fairy dolls, Flower Spirit doll, and "It's hard to be a Floozie when you have so many freckles" doll...Erma Sheaha, French Cream doll...Liz Harper, Australian Gumnut Elf...Cecilia Puppo, doll with attitude...Marilyn Osgood, 3 dolls...Susan Bezek, 2 dolls...

Block of the Month was won by ??? [oops] For Block of the Month, Kristine Otte is June Gerard's new assistant. This month's block was colorwash; next month's is Orange and Plaid Peel--Curved piecing and ORANGE!

Karin Cooper suggested the guild's library is an excellent place to do workshop research.

Carol Barringer and Anita Allman are still working to get the Community Service Satellite group off the ground. All interested members are invited to a meeting to be held at Carol's on Friday, May 14 at 7 PM. Please call for directions.

Since the meeting was running efficiently, door prizes were drawn immediately after the break.

Following the break, Blanche Young gave a lively trunk show. If there's a single message, it was "It's my quilt; I can do what I like with it."

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Hogan

