

Minutes of Sunshine Quilt Guild Meeting of March 16, 2010

President Janice Rubira opened meeting at Lemon Bay Meeting Room. VicePresident Chris O'Dea, Treasurer Chickie DiMattia, and Secretary Arlene Garver present.

Minutes of February meeting published in Newsletter so reading was waived. No corrections, additions nor discussion took place. Motion to accept the minutes as published made by Louise Dupont, seconded by Betty Brown. All voted in favor, motion passed.

BUS TRIP of March 10, 2010, report was given by Chris O'Dea even though she was unable to attend. It was reported by those who attended as "wonderful". Secretary sent thank you notes to Quilters Cottage, Quilters Haven & More, Cotton Patch Quilt Shop and Rainbow's End for their gifts and generous discounts.

Joann Tighe won the Quilters Cottage \$50 gift certificate, if the name is familiar, she also won last year's gift certificate.

HOSPICE QUILT Project to have another quilt making day, to be announced.

TREASURERS Report published in Newsletter and, therefore, the reading was waived at the meeting. No additions, corrections nor discussion took place. Motion to accept treasurers report as published made by Chris O'Dea, seconded by Gloria St. Louis. All voted in favor, motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP report by Nancy Smith. 50 present today, with 3 guests and 1 new member. Guests were introduced and said a few words about their quilting experiences. The machine cleaning workshop presented by Nancy Smith was a success with 12 attending. In addition to learning how to clean our machines, many helpful tips were given including always leaving your pressure foot and needle in down position when finished and to avoid pulling the spool end of thread backwards thru the needle but cutting the thread and pulling the cut end from the needle end out. Thank you Nancy Smith for such good information and showing us how to care for our machines.. 50/50 tickets paid out \$22 to Jon Finkel. Door prizes went to Arlene, Hazel, Annette, and Sue Eldridge.

HONORS went to the Sunshine Quilt Guild for the ending of its 6th year. Betty McClenathan, 1st president and Karen O'Connell, 2nd president received a "past president pin" in honor of their service.

COTTAGE Report by Barb Hansen, in addition to the 4-5 current cottages, a group from the Gulf Cove/Riverwood area would like to start another cottage. See Barb for more information. Cottages are so much fun ladies.

PRESIDENT'S notes included announcing the Venice Quilt Guild Show March 20-21. The slate of officer candidates announced: President, Chris O'Dea, Co-VicePresident Betty McClenathan, Sharon Snader, Secretary, Lou Taft, and Treasurer, Nancy Smith. Nominations from the floor are also encouraged.

CHALLENGE took place with a disappointing participation of only three entries. First place went to Sue Eldridge, second place to Irene Piggott, and third to Arlene Garver. Thank you ladies for your participation and hopefully, next year will have more entries.

Next Guild meeting is April 20, 2010, and the next executive board meeting April 6. Motion to adjourn meeting made by Betty Morse and Sue Lee seconded motion, all voted in favor, meeting adjourned.

A lovely show and tell followed and was very well attended. Three demonstrations followed, Chris O'Dea showed how to do stippling and used a Supreme Slider Teflon sheet. Janice Rubira showed paper pattern needle punching for machine quilting. Sub Byrnes demonstrated "stitch in the ditch". Thank you ladies, members really seemed to enjoy the demos.

Respectfully submitted, Arlene Garver, Secretary