

MVAQN MARCH 18, 2023

Epiphany Lutheran Church 1:30 pm

Attendance: Jennifer Greenup, Joni Kreitzer, Linda Morgan, Ronnie Doyal, Chris Zurbuchen, guest Louise Mauren, Maxine Thomas and Barb Schneider.

Secretary Report: January's minutes are on the website.

Treasurer's Report: Chris reported that we have \$990.83 in our checking account. She registered the MVAQN trade name with the Ohio Secretary of State for 5 years - \$25.

Old Business: 8 members have signed up so far for the YSAC exhibit "Miami Valley Scenes and Dreams". The opening reception is Friday, June 16, 5-9 pm. The exhibit runs June 16-July 9, Thursday-Sunday 1-4 pm. Chris can collect quilts for the show at the April and May meetings. Let her know if you would like to exhibit (with paid YSAC dues).

New Business: Chris told us that Fran LaSalle's quilts are currently displayed at the Yellow Springs Credit Union. Fran has found the Alice Paul quilt...yea!

Chris had been contacted about having another booth at this year's Art in the City. We had previously decided not to participate this year; she will let them know.

Maxine will bring more information next month about a place that has good deals on Bernina sewing machines. The shop has moved from Hinkletown Pennsylvania to Georgetown *Ohio*.

Joni made nice cork nametags for each member of the group using her Scan & Cut...thank you Joni!!

Program: Jennifer, Joni and Ronnie each showed us how to use their different Brother Scan N Cut machines. This is in preparation for making our own customized cut material for postcards or other uses at August's meeting. Today they talked about how to prep fabric for the machines, and how to input designs. Jennifer will ask the church for a larger room for the August meeting and possibly more time.

Jennifer demonstrated her machine by cutting a butterfly design out of starched material.

Joni demonstrated cutting intricate butterfly shapes out of thin cork sheets that she ordered from Portugal. She also cut out lettering from leather with her machine. For information she looks at tutorials on YouTube such as “Scan and Cut Jam Session”. Joni uses hand sanitizer to clean mats. She also uses Zig glue.

Ronnie demonstrated how her machine could cut out stickers that she had printed on sticker paper.

In preparation for using the machines in August, the following suggestions were offered:

1. Stiffen the material till it feels like paper so it is stiff enough to be cut. Use Terial Magic Fabric Stabilizer or spray starch (not watered) several times with ironing in between. Freezer paper on back makes the blades dull so is not recommended.
2. Fusible web may be added to fabrics with paper backing removed before putting into cutter (Misty Fuse not recommended) They have used Pellon Wonder Under, Steam a Seam and Heat n Bond regular with success.
3. Bring a pattern on tracing paper

They showed us how to put the pattern between clear non-sticky mats and scan. Then they gave the computer screen directions for printing or resizing. The material then got put on a sticky mat and scanned again and cut.

Show and Tell

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00. Our next meeting will be April 15 at Epiphany Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Diller, Secretary