

MVAQN MINUTES April 19, 2025

Epiphany Lutheran Church 1:30 pm

PRESENT: Linda Morgan, Chris Zurbuchen, Joni Kreitzer, Ann Diller, Jennifer Greenup, Ronnie Doyal and Maxine Thomas

SECRETARY REPORT: November's minutes and earlier should be on the website at mvaqn.com for Members only. **Remember the password is QuiltsForever\$.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: We have a balance of \$1203.02 in our checking. We voted to give a \$100 donation to Epiphany for letting us use the room.

OLD BUSINESS: Linda talked to the Beavercreek Senior Citizen Center about hanging our **tree show in August/September '25**. They are already set up for hanging quilts. Please look through your quilts for additional "tree art" that you would like to be considered, so we can have 20-30 pieces. These can be 3-d and different sizes, such as leaves, tree rings, etc. **Send Linda a picture** of what you have done for consideration. Sale is permitted at the Center with all sales referred to the artist. We would hang the show ourselves, with no need for bats or dowel rods. They want a printed artist bio, 8.5 x 11" which would be displayed near the work with a holder for business cards.

**Linda needs a show "partner" for each venue.** I volunteered to be the first partner for the Sr. Citizen venue. She needs a partner for a possible Troy-Hayner show (please let her know if you are interested). This partner would meet Linda at the Center to view the area, be available the day of hanging and take down, and could take over the exhibit in case of emergency. Also, send Linda any ideas for show venues that have not been considered at the meeting.

**For this first show Linda would like the following by July 1** (for those participating):

1. Informational Form/Trees: The Breath of Life (she passed out and will be added to our website in the "for members only" section". She suggests copying the form so you can fill it out for any additional quilt submitted for this show. Linda will add the photo where it says "Exhibit Photo here".
2. Artist biography one-page double spaced font size 14 for scrapbook. (as requested by Senior Center)

3. (optional) One-page double spaced font size 14 description of quilt or exhibit for a scrapbook providing more information about quilts and projects, story, materials, construction, etc. Provide separate one for each submission.
4. Picture of each quilt or project please email to Linda at morkel3412@twc.com along with appropriate forms.
5. **Sign “Permission for use of my name, digital images of my quilts...” form.** This is very important that we have, as we can’t put pics of our quilts on Facebook or have any advertising without this permission. Linda will bring forms to our May meeting, or get from our website, mvaqn.com. Go to “About us” click on “Forms” and then “Website permission”.

Linda also suggested a “virtual Show” of all tree quilts for consideration to share on our webpage, Facebook, and/or a scrapbook. She would like visitors to come back and visit our webpage often, because “As trees grow, so will our quilt show!”

Linda was wondering about the availability of bookmarks to leave at the shows. ( I have 43). Let Linda know if you have more at home. If we don’t have enough, Ronnie can make new ones.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Ronnie said that the Front Street Galleries have a space available for a show in 2026. This would be a Friday night/Saturday am commitment. Ronnie and Linda will check out the space and get back to us.

May’s meeting: Sue is introducing Freeform flowers. Ann is introducing Haiku ideas.  
June’s meeting will be outside at Barb’s house.

SHOW AND TELL: Linda showed her “Haven” quilt. Maxine had a Shibori quilt. Ronnie showed another Raven quilt and Joni had 2 pictures that she displayed on dyed velvet and lace. Joni also had 2 bowls to show.

RECYCLE: Linda showed wrapped fabric bookmarks, a teabag hangar, a lace bookmark, and a fabulous origami flower “crown” made from old book pages (you had to see it!)

PROGRAM: Joni showed us a Slashing and Shrinking fabric demo and brought all supplies for us to get started on 2 projects. For both she used “Stitch and Seam” by Bosal.

To make a shrunk Chenille, cut a piece of the Stitch and Seam. Layer on top a piece of sturdy cotton in your color choice. Layer on top in any direction up to 8 layers of any type of fabrics. They can be strips in a criss-cross fashion. The thinner the material, more layers can be added. The top layer should be a stronger fabric that covers the base fabrics. Pin all around the edge and in the middle. Zigzag around the edges first using a 3-step zigzag, then

stitch in lines at least 1" apart. Cut in between the sewing and shrink from the back using a steam iron close to the fabric. Wash in a pillowcase. (you don't have to shrink).

We also made a scrunched velvet piece. Use one layer of Stitch and Seam. Lay one layer of velvet on top. Pin all around and stitch in a checkerboard pattern with lines at least 1" apart. Joni suggests using a 3-step zigzag (not straight stitch). Shrink from the back using a steam iron close to the fabric till it doesn't shrink anymore.

BOARD MEETING; Monday, April 28 at 11am at Panera on Brown St. All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Diller, Secretary