

MVAQN MINUTES March 16, 2024

1:30 pm Epiphany Lutheran Church

PRESENT: Ann Diller, Ronnie Doyal, Chris Zurbuchen, Jennifer Greenup, Joni Kreitzer, Barb Schneider, Linda Morgan, Diane Beeman, Sue DeSantis and Deb Bentley

Ronnie led a short meeting:

SECRETARY REPORT: Ronnie will type up February's meeting minutes and get them to the website since Ann was out of town.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chris reported that we have \$998.92 in our Checking account.

OLD BUSINESS: Jennifer reported that Epiphany has a new protocol for reserving the room (we have it until June). On Epiphany's website under "Event Planning" you can request dates for the room going forward, not requesting more than 30 days in advance.

Ronnie talked about a future quilt show application. We need a body of 10-12 quilts to photograph and submit for an application. These need to follow a cohesive theme and have a name. Quilts for this stage will be the same size for best photography and cohesiveness. **Be thinking about a theme name, with TREES** a favorite topic. We will discuss more at the May meeting. Once we get into a venue, we would like the exhibit to have dimension, with possibly free-standing or hanging works.

NEW BUSINESS: Ronnie suggested that we not meet during the winter months due to bad weather and/or poor attendance. She suggested taking Dec.-February off from our Saturday meetings, but keeping the Fiscal year June 1 – May 31. Elections would then be in November with officers taking office in March. We could still meet in winter for Study Group, talk/work session/ show and tell. A motion was made to consider changing our meetings to March – November. It was seconded and passed. **We need to vote on this proposed change to our bylaws at the May meeting.**

Chris and Barb joined the Springfield Museum of Art and will have quilts in their Members Show this year. The SMOA will take all first pieces of art, so consider joining next year!

PROGRAM: Linda showed us an idea to store scrap lace ribbons and trims around a clip clothes pin for storage and gave us one.

She then gave us several examples of how to use used tea bags (dried and emptied of tea) in your art. They can be stamped once cut open, emptied and ironed. They can be printed on with your home printer. Open, cut off any folds, iron and put in the center of a printer paper sheet. Tape all 4 sides down and print after doing sample print for placement. Tape close to the edge so it is easier to rip off the tape without ripping the bag. Linda showed a great holiday card made with a printed tea bag stuck to layers of card paper with squares of Heat N Bond. She also made bookmarks with tea bags. You can print small pictures on an Inkjet fabric sheet, cut out, and put on a whole tea bag decorated with lace for an old-fashioned memento. Another idea...dried flowers inside tea bags and coated with Gesso. Teabags can also be painted on.

Linda challenged us to make a small piece of art using a Lindor candy wrapper and tea bag. Find the picture at <https://recycledcrafts.craftgossip.com/an-amazing-collection-of-recycled-tea-bag-art/2018/02/21/>.

Linda gave a wonderful “Door Prize” to Deb that she made...a candy holder made from a china tea cup and saucer.

Ronnie then showed us several projects she had made from tea bags including a “lacquered” bowl and skull. She drew on tea bags, then Modge Podged them and let them dry on plastic to make them see-thru. She also had lots of interesting dimensional cards with white paper (printed), then put a tea bag Modged on top.

SHOW AND TELL

Barb went to Quilt Con in Raleigh, NC and showed us wonderful class samples. She also has a quilt display at the Yellow Springs Senior Center.

Almost everyone had Show and Tell. Of theme interest, Sue DeSantis showed us a quilt with stamped tea bags. She uses a stamp pad called Distress Oxide by Ranger. She also had rub on stickers from Taperlogy which we all liked.

APRIL: Our next meeting will be a change of date and venue! **We are changing to Sunday, April 21** from Saturday and are meeting at the Front St. complex. Ronnie will send an email beforehand. There will be no meeting...just looking around at the studios. Her studio is in Building 100 Door A, Second floor room 2100. We might want to meet at noon at the food trucks.

June’s meeting will be at Maxine’s house with a demonstration of Decolourant by Joni.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Diller, Secretary