CRANBERRY COUNTRY QUILTERS GUIDELINES

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PURPOSES OF THE GUILD

- To promote the art of quilting
- To provide quilting educational opportunities to the members and community at large
- To donate quilt projects to needy local organizations and/or individuals

MONTHLY MEETING

Meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month, from January to November at the Eagle River Masonic Lodge, 610 E. Division St. The entrance to the parking lot and lower level are on Fourth St.

Meetings begin at 9:30 a.m., unless otherwise stated. Meetings may also be broadcast via Zoom. If Northland Pines schools are closed due to inclement weather, the meeting will only be held via Zoom. In December we have a Christmas luncheon in lieu of the regular meeting.

We encourage anyone with pets (except for service dogs) to make other arrangements for their animals so they can attend the meeting in person. If they are not able to, they are asked to attend the meeting via zoom. And, while we may occasionally have some young quilters attend our meetings, children typically do not attend our regular meetings.

Following our business meeting, snacks and show and tell, we typically have a program done by a member, an outside speaker, a workshop or "sew-in's". Several times a year we have a "garage sale" where members sell their surplus supplies.

MEMBERSHIP

Annual dues of \$20 can be paid in person at the January or February guild meetings or mailed to PO Box 2362; Eagle River WI 54521. Dues are to be received by February 28.

An involved guild member:

- attends meetings regularly and volunteers for guild activities
- participates in the making of the raffle quilt and/or charity quilts
- participates in the preparation for and the day of the biennial quilt show and donates \$20 or a quilt-related item (\$20 value) to be sold at the show.

ACTIVITIES

- The "Care and Share" Charity Sewing Day is held the 1st Wednesday of the month at The Kalmar Center. You can bring your sewing machine and equipment or help with ironing, cutting etc.
- The "Mending Project" is a monthly co-project with Olson Memorial library held the first Saturday of the month. We offer basic repairs and simple mending to the community at the library.
- Many of our members attend one of several locally sponsored "Sleep at Home" weekend retreats held at the Kalmar Center in Eagle River with signup available at our meetings.
- The guild sponsors one retreat each year in fall.
- The biennial Quilt Show is held in July in even-numbered years
- We display a quilt each month at Olson Memorial Library
- Guild challenges such as "block of the month" are offered
- During non-show year, we offer members the opportunity to sell their quilt related items after meetings where we do not have a speaker or workshop.
- Road trips, seminars, shop hops, etc. suggested and planned by members are encouraged.
- Christmas luncheon

OFFICERS

President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer: serve a 2-year term; elected in October in even years and take office in January. Monthly board meetings, open to the membership, are held via Zoom.

COMMITTEES

Our guild is possible due to active involvement from guild members. Members are encouraged to participate in the committees that interest them. Some of the committees include:

- Care and Share organizes projects for our monthly get-together to make quilts to donate
- Charity/Donation Quilts distributes quilts to organizations and those in need
- Closet Coordinator maintains our closet of donated fabrics used for making quilts to donate
- Guild Challenges special projects done by members
- Hospitality organizes our donated food/snacks at our monthly meeting
- New Member Buddy to help new members get involved
- Programs after our regular meeting, we offer workshops, outside speakers, demos done by quilt members and sew-in's
- Raffle Quilt talented guild members design and create a quilt that we sell tickets to raffle
- Veterans Quilts quilts are given to veteran organizations

WORKSHOPS, RETREATS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

- Guild members shall be given priority for registration for guild-sponsored workshops, retreats, or other special events.
- Registration will be open to non-members after members have received a reasonable time to register. The specific date will be determined by the workshop/event committee. The Board will determine if non-members will be assessed a higher fee to attend a guild-sponsored workshop/event.
- Payment is due upon registration for members and for non-members to hold their spot.
- If a participant is unable to attend, it is their responsibility to contact the workshop/event committee at least one day prior to the event. The committee will determine if a replacement is available from the waiting list and the replacement will pay the original participant directly. Since some events have minimum or maximum number of participants available, this helps ensure that the guild meets our financial obligations.
- Typically no refunds can be given unless the event is cancelled.

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