Feather Princesses Monthly Guild Meeting Minutes 2/14/2023

Princesses Dorothy Johnson, Joanne Rodriguez (absent) Ritu Haldar and Michelle Barry

President Princess Dorothy Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m. President Dorothy welcomed members, asked attendees to silence cell phones and sign-up for birthday drawing.

Hostess Princess Fazie announced that we had 1 guest.

Membership announced that there were 29 members present and one guest.

Secretary: Ritu Haldar welcomed the members. Members were encouraged to access the newsletter and website.

Treasurer's Report:

Princess Michelle Barry presented the budget. The was an additional charge of \$182.00 for Constant Contact.

Birthday/Sunshine: Birthday wishes were extended to members. Nancy Hale was the Birthday Basket winner! Healing thoughts were requested for Trudy Flynn, Chris Sudbury, Janet Kiene, Francie Nelson and Pat Yucatonis. President Dorothy Johnson honored fellow guild members and friends, Annette Kocsis and Nancy Hale for their \$40th anniversary of fellowship and friendship.

Community Service: Princess Shirley Williams announced: Funds totaling \$117.00 for the month will be delivered to Hudson United Methodist Church. The donation for March 2024 is TBD.

Fat Quarter Exchange: Princess Linda announced that PASTELS will be the theme for the Fat Quarter exchange in March 2024. The winners were Princesses Dorothy Johnson and Jackie Tarr.

Healing Hearts Blocks: Princess Shirley Kasprzyk has patterns available for the members. Please see the website and newsletter for guidelines. Hospitality: Princess Linda Woytisek will be stepping down as Chairperson. Members are encouraged to volunteer for the position individually or as a team.

Newsletter: Princess Michelle Barry requested articles for the newsletter be turned in by Friday, March 1, 2024

Retreat 2024: Princess Karen Benitez announced that the contract has been signed and a deposit made to Lake Yale. The cost is \$575.00 for a Single, \$475.00 for a Double. Members can begin to register for the retreat. The dates are October 17-21, 2024.

Special Block: Princess Michelle Barry designed a wonderful "April Showers" Spring Block. Kits were provided for members to purchase at \$2.00 each. The completed blocks are due on June 12, 2024.

Tool Time: Princess Roni Hunt shared wonderful ideas about making pin cushions. She demonstrated "Project Cupcake" using egg cups. Pin cushions had a Valentine theme along with a sweet cupcake with a Valentine theme for each attending member.

Library: Princess Mary Ann Vathy, shared the details regarding our Lending Library. Current members may take out 2 books each month. The loan period is 1 month. Red Dot Specials are rare and valuable books requiring a \$50.00 deposit. Requests can be made up to 1 week ahead of the meeting. A Wait List will be maintained for convenience. A database will be set up through the website for members to access and request books in advance of the meeting. Members were encouraged to volunteer and hold 2 boxes of books per genre. Thank you to Princesses Carol Hibbard for her donation.

Jimmy B. Keel Library Display: Princess Sandi Snow announced that she had all the quilts needed for the display.

Ways and Means: Princess Michelle Barry announced and administered the Fabric Sale. Members were able to purchase items as needed.

An announcement was also made regarding our email account. When responding to a mass mailing, members were advised to use the "forward" prompt, add CC and enter the email address before proceeding. This ensures delivery of their response to a mailing.

President's Report: President Dorothy Johnson thanked everyone of attending the luncheon and offered numerous raffles and prizes for the members to enjoy. Word Search and Word Scramble games were played and the winners were Princesses Melissa LaBella, Mary Ann Varthy, Shirley Kaspyrzk and Betty Jo Lecaroz.

Our March – December meeting will be held at the Spring Hill Suites location.

Vice-President's Report: Princess Joanne Rodriguez (Absent)

December Birthday Drawing: Princess Ritu Haldar conducted the drawing and Princess Nancy Hale was the winner.

Quilt Circles: Please note that Wild Woolers and Cotton Appliquers Meeting are cancelled for February and March.

Show and Tell: Princess Beverly Abenante Princesses Victoria Miller, Jackie Tarr, Cheryl Haynes, Shirley Kasprzyk, Trudy Flynn and Ritu Haldar shared their creations.

Door Prizes/Trivia:

Membership Chair Betty Jo Lecaroz and Betty Jo Weber conducted the activity. There were numerous winners. Congratulations to all! Presidential themed trivia winner was Princess Victoria Miller. Members were recipients of numerous prizes and a fun time was had by all.

Meeting Adjourned: President Princess Dorothy Johnson adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ritu Haldar, Secretary