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Christmas Luncheon

This was Connie Hitt's last meeting as president. She opened the meeting by thanking everyone for a great two years. Her thought for the day was from *Our Daily Bread*.

My friend Ria admires the great blue heron's amazing 6-foot spread of wings and marvels at his majestic appearance. She welcomes the sight of him gliding in for a landing on a small island in the middle of the pond near her home.

Now, I can appreciate that the heron is a marvelous and unique creature. But I don't ever want to spot him in my backyard! That's because I know he won't be there just to admire the garden. No, this not-so-fine-feathered version of persona non grata (someone not welcome) will be checking out our pond for a take-out fish dinner!

So, am I right? Or is Ria? Why can't we agree? Different personalities, history, or knowledge can color people's views. It doesn't mean that one person is right and the other wrong, yet sometimes we can be unkind, rigid, and judgmental if there is not agreement. I'm not talking about sin—but just a difference in opinion or perspective. We need to take care in judging others' thinking, motives, and actions because we too desire that kind of benefit of the doubt (Luke 6:37).

Can we learn from someone who sees things with a different perspective? Do we need to



Connie Hitt with the quilt created for her by guild Pine Belt Quilters members

practice a little patience and love? I'm so grateful that God is abundantly patient and loving with me.

Connie passed the gavel to Margie Hancock and Susie Jackson honored Connie with a quilt made for her by members of the Pine Belt Quilters guild.

Dianne McLendon then congratulated everyone who finished the Crayon Color Challenge, members voted for their favorites and prizes were awarded. First prize went to Jo-Ann Evans, second prize to Betty Reid and third prize to Lois Womack. (See photos on pg. 2)

Shirley Wiltshire thanked everyone who worked on Christmas stockings this year. They made 55 stockings for distribution and members brought several tables full of stockinguffers. She reminded us that she would start in January collecting scraps for the boutique scrap box.

Mary Nell Magee thanked everyone who made donation quilts. Since July, 192 quilts had been received, making the total number 487 quilts for the year. She said anyone who doesn't come to Children's Quilts is missing out on all the fun and fellowship.

Bonnie Bolt has been making pretty quilts out of pretty and not so pretty fabrics donated to committee. The group has finally finished all the tops made by Dorothy



Jo-Ann Evans (1st)



Betty Reid (2nd)



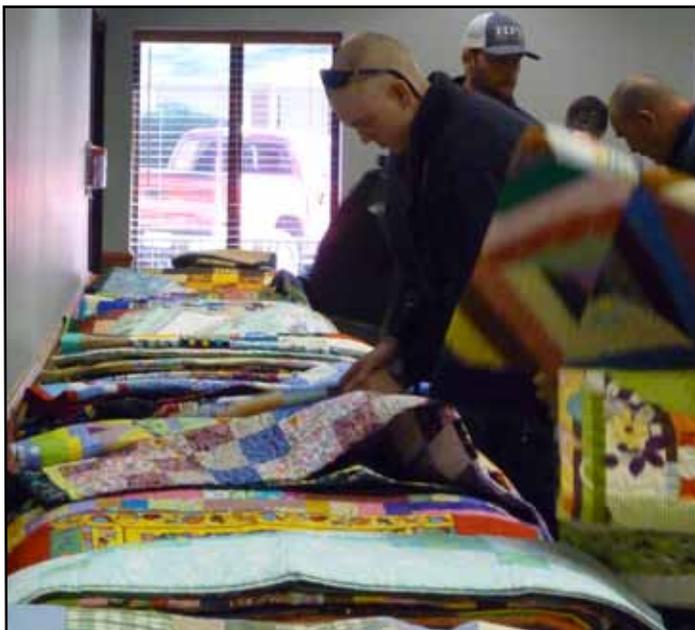
Lois Womack (3rd)



Lunch has arrived



Christmas stockings and stocking stuffers



Distribution of Children's Quilts

Mississippi Quilt Association
Spring Gathering
March 2-3 Tupelo, MS
Go to www.mississippiquilt.org
for more information

Aultman and Lois Livingston. Joe Bingham personally either made or quilted 250 quilts for the year 2017.

Betty and Joe Bingham reported receiving 14 pillows, nine blankets and 10 mother pads at the December meeting. Totals for the year are 358 pillows, 197 blankets and 413 mother pads. Betty Herring reported receiving 12 walker totes and 6 catheter bag covers at the meeting. Totals for the year are 203 walker totes and 97 catheter bag covers.

We shared our quilts and Christmas luncheon (catered by Seasoned With Love) with Leigh Ann Leonard from Forrest General Hospital's NICU, Austin Bounds and members of the Hattiesburg Fire Department, Destiny Buckley from the Domestic Abuse Family Center, Terrie Gay from the Women's Outreach Shelter, Miss Dora from Advocates for Freedom, and Howard Franklin from Merit Health Wesley.

The program for the January 10 meeting will be collage quilts. We will have representatives from the Stitchin Post in Hattiesburg and the Fabric Dock in Wiggins. Both shops will have supplies, fabrics and patterns available at the meeting. The workshop on January 24 will be a collage pillow in the shape of the state of Mississippi taught by Susie Jackson and Dianne McLendon.



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Leigh Ann Leonard



Austin Bounds



Destiny Buckley



Terrie Gay



Miss Dora



Henry Franklin



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January Reminders

January Birthdays:

Beth Shiyou

Elaine Welch

Florence Peyrefitte

Judy Byrd

People with birthdays in January please remember to bring a small gift (quilt related) to be used as a door prize. It should be wrapped or bagged.

The program for January 10 will be “Collage Quilts” with the Stitchin Post (Hattiesburg) and the Fabric Dock (Wiggins).

The January 24 workshop is a “Collage

Mississippi Pillow” with Susie Jackson and Dianne McLendon.

The Fat Quarter Lottery color for January is neutrals (white to beige).

Children’s Quilts will resume meeting in January.