

## Heart of the Hills Quilters Guild

### *Quarterly Business Meeting: January 13, 2025*

Members present: Sherryl Alexander, Deb Auch, Vicki Barlean, Carolyn Burg, Lolly Christensen, Debra Clutter, Kay Cole, Lori Comer, Barb Darling, Kim Disse, Judy Gifford, Sheila Gillespie, Kristi Gylten, Nancy Harty, Judy Heeb, Margaret Hofer, Marian Johnson, Marsha Johnson, Bobbi Kenyon, Lois Kramer, Teresa Lethe, Colleen Lewis, Kim Miller, Sherrie Mumm, Anita Peters, Susan Sanders, Dorothy Wilkison, Rose Anderson and Deb Carlson.

#### **New member recognition:**

Rose Anderson was present for the first time. We also had Deb Carlson join us and become a new member tonight.

**Secretary Report:** Deb Auch handed out copies of the November 2024 meeting for approval. A motion was made by Vicki Barlean and seconded by Lois Kramer. Unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Anita Peters gave the Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Vicki Barlean to approve the Treasurer's Report as given. It was seconded by Sherri Mumm. Unanimously approved.

#### **Website:**

Deb Clutter informed everyone that the new website has been built. There will be a \$300.00 annual payment that will need to be paid to Deb for her continuing work on the site to keep it and all licenses, etc. that are needed, up-to-date. To cover this cost and help with other expenses, we will be raising the annual membership dues from \$20.00 to \$25.00. Lori Comer made a motion that we raise our annual dues to \$25.00. It was seconded by Theresa Lethe. Unanimously approved.

Vicki Barlean made a motion that the Guild pay Deb Clutter the amount of \$300 per year for the care of the Website. It was seconded by Nancy Harty. Unanimously approved.

#### **UFO Challenge:**

Kim and Collen will be the Committee Chairs of the UFO Challenge this year. Colleen explained how the UFO challenge will work for 2025. Each member that wants to participate will make a list of 10 unfinished projects. Kim and Colleen will then randomly pull a number each month. That will tell the member which item on their list must be completed by the next

month's due date. **Number 1 was pulled and is due on February 24th.** There are usually 10 different secret categories that are set by Kim and Colleen. They will use this list to place your name into the category that you meet each month. At the Christmas party, you bring a gift for \$20.00 and there is an exchange for the prizes per category. There is also extra credit for any Valor Quilts and Quilts from the Heart. The last day to join in on the fun is February 10<sup>th</sup>, so get your list to Kim or Colleen by the next meeting.

**Challenge Quilt:** Deb Clutter showed a sample of the challenge quilt. It is a Crazy quilt. It needs to be 50 x 50 or less. A flyer was handed out explaining what to do.

**Quilts from the heart:** Colleen read a card for a quilt that we gave to Susan Nollette. Randy Larson sent a card for the quilt he received. We also gave one to Don Pelto.

How Many on Hand: Lori has 4 on hand and Sherryl has 10. Most of the quilts we have are more feminine in color. We could use some male colors for quilts. 3-yard quilts are good for that. We gave a total of 9 during 2024.

#### **Valor Quilts:**

How many on Hand: Lori has 1 completed, 1 on her machine. Nancy Harty has 1. Judy Gifford has 1. Anita has 1. Lois has 1 on her UFO list. Lori reported that Julie Darger has 1 that she will get to us by next year. This gives us a total of 6 for sure and 7 if Julie brings hers.

Applications: None at this time. Deb Clutter asked how people let us know they want a quilt. Lori Comer explained that the applications are on Facebook and by word of mouth. Deb asked if we should place an application on our Website and Lori said 'yes'.

**VA Quilts:** Barb reports that the VA Hospital would like to have some 55 x 70 quilts. The Hospice unit was looking through all the quilts for the red/white/blue ones to use them to cover the residents that have expired as they leave the unit. If we have more than 6 valor quilts, and would like to donate these to the Hospice unit, they would appreciate them. Anita shared a card we received from Rocky and Kathy Bell for the Veterans Program quilt for Chuck Johnson. He loved the presentation and enjoyed the entire day. The quilt was beautiful and they gave us a gift of \$25.00.

#### **Ambulance Quilts:**

All quilts are done and were presented to the group. Pictures were taken of each quilt with the members responsible for making that quilt. There will be pictures taken of the quilts once they are on the beds as well.

#### **Quilt Show Committee:**

Gym Floor - Anita reported that the Gym floor has been paid in full and we don't have a deductible on liability, so there was no payment that we needed to make to have this resolved.

Anita asked if anyone knows if the floor has been repaired yet. She knows they have the product, but doesn't know if the floor has been fixed.

Pipe and Drape - Anita also reported that we have put down a \$3,500.00 deposit for a company in Spearfish for pipe and drape. The contract is in place for the 2025 year. Custer has also said they will use the same company in Spearfish for their show as well.

Street banners - Deb needs to check on this. The order never was filled.

Donations for Guild Booth - Anita will take any of the raffle quilts to the storage unit once you have them done.

### **New Member Kit:**

Sherrie Mumm has been working on something for our new members. She would like to put together a kit that contains a membership booklet to give to new members. This would have our contact information in it to help them as they learn about everyone. In addition to common information, she would like to know a small little tidbit about you that might be fun for others to know. She is also working on a treasure box that the new members (or maybe current members on their birthday) can be asked to come and pick something from the treasure box as a welcome gift. More news on this to come.

### **January retreat reminder:**

Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup> – 9 attendees at this time

Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> – 14 attendees at this time.

Lori passed around the sign up sheet for meals.

### **Batting:**

The Guild purchases batting to be used by the quilters that quilt Valor and/or Quilts from the Heart quilts for the Guild. Anita said we just got a new roll. It is at Sherryl's house, so if needed, contact Sherryl Alexander.

### **Pillowcase Kits:**

Need people to cut and make kits: Sherri is stepping away from this, but Anita has 30 kits already made.

We need some members to go through the bins of our fabric and cut some kits. For a pillowcase, you need a 27" X WOF body and 9" x WOF band of coordinating fabric. For new members, each year before the Quilt Show, Kay Cole sponsors a work day at her home. Usually this is held in June. There is a potluck after the work is done. Mary had to fix a lot of the surged cases this last year when we trialed surging the pillowcases instead of stitching them. It was decided that we will go back to French seams for the pillowcases.

### **The Farmer's Daughter:**

Vicki Barlean will be teaching these classes. This is to learn new techniques. Classes will fit 6. If it is a beginner class, it is better to limit the class size to 4. All classes are on Sundays.

#### **Class Schedule:**

January 26 - 12 noon - 3:30p - Traditional Log Cabin - Tuition \$25 + tools

February 2 - 12 noon - 3:30p - Curved Log Cabin - Tuition \$25 + tools

March 2 - 12 noon - 3:30p - Geese on the Edge - Tuition \$25 + tools

March 9 - 12 noon - 3:30p - Eight at Once - Tuition \$25 + tools

March 12, 19, 26 - 5p-8p - Beginning Quilting Class - Tuition \$50 + pattern book & fabric

**Black Hills Shop Hop:** Dates: 3/28 thru 4/12

### **Scraps for dog beds:**

Discussion was had whether we are still making dog beds. No one is working on this at this time. Discussion was had about whether or not people should still be saving scraps and it was decided that we have enough at this time and should use what we have first.

### **SOYO for January:**

The Guild retreat will be going on during SOYO, so there is no official SOYO meeting. Kay will be giving a Bargello class on Jan 27<sup>th</sup> during the quilt retreat starting at 1pm. Any who are interested, even if they are not joining the retreat, are welcome to come.

**Birthdays:** Here are the birthdays for January -

Lori Comer Jan 7

Kristi Gylten Jan 15

Vicki Koehler Jan 13

Collen Lewis Jan 28

Anita Peters Jan 15

**Fat Quarter Exchange:** Next is in February at the SOYO meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Bring any color of batik fat quarter to participate in the drawing.

**Show & tell**

**Meeting adjourned.**