

Wallowa Mountain Quilters' Guild October 2018 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by president Marietta Herinckx. 28 members were present. She mentioned that the fall bazaar and Jingle through Joseph are coming up. Kathleen will make sign-up sheets and bring to the next meeting. Nancy Hall volunteered to coordinate the Jingle through Joseph work schedule.

Minutes were mailed out to everyone. Please let Sue know if you don't get them.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Jeannie Alford stated the current checking account balance is \$5515.96 less \$500 that is set aside for barn quilt project, bringing the ending balance to \$5015.96. There is a balance of \$2502.53 in the savings account after \$500 was transferred from the checking as per the motion from last month.

Old Business: Reports from Committee Chairpersons

1. Honor Quilts: Linda Koloski reminded everyone there is an honor quilt work day at the Hurricane Creek Grange on October 20th. There will be blocks to put together. It was suggested that some honor quilts could be delivered at the Enterprise and Wallowa meal sites. There are about 20 completed quilts on hand, with veteran's names still coming in. We have given out just under 100 quilts so far. If photos are taken when quilts are given out, please get them to Connie Jenkins and she can post them on the WMQG Facebook page.
2. Baby Quilts: Cheryl Jenkins reported she took 9 baby quilts to the hospital in September. The hospital says they are expecting 15 newborns by the end of the year. Cheryl will be receiving several as a result of the last baby quilt work day.
3. Fire Quilts: Karolyne Doss reported the latest fire victim has already left the County, so the quilt she had for him will be returned to stock.
4. Raffle Quilt: Celeste Bauck says the quilting on the raffle quilt is about 1/3 of the way completed. Betty Whitehead will spearhead getting the binding completed so it will be ready for Jingle through Joseph, and Winter Fest.
5. Ellen Nesbitt has received over 20 quilts to be donated for disaster relief. She will give a full report at the November meeting.
6. There is no new information on sewing machine repair. As soon as Karolyne hears back from Treasure Every Stitch she will inform those who signed up.

New Business

1. Cove Retreat is this month. Connie Jenkins passed out a list of supplies needed for some fun projects she has lined up. Five favorite things are also on the agenda.
2. Marietta mentioned that we neglected to get people signed up for the October meal site servers. JoAnne Pollock, Robin McAllister and Yun McFall bailed us out at the last minute after Barbara McCormack scrambled around telephoning people. Thank you ladies for helping out! We are responsible for October, November and December serving. Nancy Hall, Sue Womack and Karen McIver volunteered to serve at the November 12th meal. The Cloverleaf also mentioned that they need more groups to volunteer to serve, so pass the word. They also need drivers to deliver meals on wheels.
3. Volunteers are needed for the fall bazaar November 3rd and 4th at the Grange. After discussion, it was decided we will opt out of this event.
4. Celeste Bauck showed the next step of the Medallion Quilt Challenge which is a new way to do a flying geese border. Reminder: Each month that you bring your completed step to show, your name will be entered into a special drawing when all the steps are completed.
5. Marietta presented the October block of the month, which is Jacob's ladder. Instructions were distributed for that block. Remember to also complete on in reds, whites, and blues for honor quilts.
6. Connie Jenkins passed around a volunteer list for the Christmas party, which is December 13th. Confirmed location will be announced at the November meeting. Connie will be gone much of November so she is trying to get things rolling now. We will need to bring 4 fat quarters and items for the silent auction table. Proceeds from the silent auction will go to the Tree of Giving.
7. Bobbi mentioned the monthly quilt luncheon will be October 19th at Sugartime Bakery. It was noted that if people will respond to Bobbi in a separate text to her, rather than replying "to all", it will save everyone from having their phones going off all day.
8. Bev Hayward talked about upcoming classes. October 20th at Hurricane Creek Grange for Honor Quilts, Quick Gifts at the November 3rd sew day. You can sew on your own projects and watch demonstrations for quick gifts. Some of the quick gift ideas are star ornaments, jelly roll rugs, denim rugs, decorative pillow covers, t-shirt tote bags, draw-string jewelry/makeup bags and folded fabric ornaments. 9:00am at the VFW Hall, \$5.00 charge. Soup potluck.

Other Discussion

Gail Hillock mentioned that the Wallowa County Citizens Award Banquet is coming up the 27th of January. There are categories that people can nominate others for. One of the categories is the Unsung Hero award. She has someone in mind that she would like to nominate and all guild members present agreed. The guild could also sponsor a table and decorate it with all things quilt related. Linda Koloski volunteered to write the nomination letter. More nomination letters would be helpful. **Note: This should probably be voted on at the next meeting.**

There was discussion about moving the location of the quilt show. The mats that the school lays down to protect the floor are a tripping hazard and other reasons were mentioned. It was suggested that the Enterprise school may be available; the big gym and the cafeteria area would be available for \$130 with \$100 refundable deposit. Other locations will be explored. Some mentioned that being in Joseph during the car show is an attracter for the quilt show. Possibly the new Thunder Room may be an option? More discussion and motions are required.

Kathleen Wecks distributed new member picture directories. Thank you Kathleen!

Nancy Hall was the winner of the September blocks of the month!

Show and tell (lots of baby quilts!) and door prize drawing completed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Womack, Co-Secretary.