

Hot Springs Village  
VILLAGE QUILT GUILD  
February Newsletter  
January Meeting 2011

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Regular meetings of the Village Quilt Guild are held the second Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the Faith Lutheran Church, 1196 DeSoto Blvd., HSV. Visitors are always welcome.

Deadline for submitting material to the Newsletter is the third Thursday of each month. Submit to Editor: Peggy Helmer at [peghelmer@gmail.com](mailto:peghelmer@gmail.com) or 922-1061

**From the President -**

Welcome back everyone. I know this will be a good year. I cannot believe what great support I have received so far. I would like to thank everyone for stepping up and filling all the chair positions that make this guild so great. Names and positions are posted in the newsletter. Please let me know if any corrections are needed.

Tube Quilting was hosted by Beverly Stenzel at our first "Sit and Sew" of the year. I have had some great feedback. One person told me the reason she joined a guild was to be involved with sewing groups like these. Another said it was fun to get back to basics. One person reported much giggling and laughing went on. Thank you, Beverly for sharing your expertise with us.

I am so happy to announce our 2013 Retreat Chair's Raya Zweifel and Judy Patriquin. They will be looking for a place for the retreat and eventually looking for volunteers to work on projects for the retreat.

There were 15 members present at the January Board Meeting. I feel we discussed and problem solved some important issues the guild will be facing this year and next. Please read the minutes of the Board Meeting in this newsletter. If you were unable to attend this months meeting, please plan to attend the next Board Meeting on February 15, 2012 at 9:00 am at my house.

I will be presenting the program in February. It will be on Friendship Quilts, Round Robin Quilts and Quilts where multiple people have worked on a quilt. Please bring your quilts that fall into these categories to the Guild meeting. If you will see me before the meeting I will know what kind of quilt you have and add it to my presentation.

Thank you  
Melanie Harman  
[harmanmel@yahoo.com](mailto:harmanmel@yahoo.com)

## **February 9 Lecture – “Group Quilts – Friendship Quilts & Other Group Projects”**

Melanie Harman’s program is meant to inspire like-minded individuals interested in making a group quilt. She will highlight Friendship Quilts and their history, as well as Round Robin Quilts (e.g., block to block, row by row, same block, add a block) and other projects where multiple people work on the same quilt. A show-and-tell will provide a visual to explain the various kinds of Friendship and other group quilts. The process of doing Friendship quilting is to strengthen friendships, grow in your sewing capabilities as you try things you have not attempted before, and have a one-of-a-kind quilt.

## **February 9 Workshop – “Quick Beginner Table Runner” (half day)**

Carol Johnson and Ida Phillips will provide instruction for making a simple, make-and-take table runner top using three contrasting, but complementary, fabrics. The free half-day workshop will also include time for a sit-and-sew.

To register for the workshop, contact Gloria Grimes at 501-915-8485.

### Supply list for “Table Runner” workshop

- 3 fat quarters
- Sewing machine and general supplies (bring an extra needle)
- Thread that will blend in with fabric
- Cutting mat, rotary cutter, ruler
- Ironing board and iron
- Extension cord
- Lunch and something to drink!

This table topper or table runner ends up being about 12x38 inches. If you want it to be a little wider, you could bring 2 fat quarters and a half yard of the third fabric. If you do this, you could add a border and it would become 16x42 inches. The idea of this class is to make something out of your stash and have some fun while doing it.

The class will go until about 3 p.m. The cost to the guild for room rental is \$20 an hour. If we have 20 participants for the workshop and each person contributed \$2 or \$3, it would help defray the guild’s expense.

## **March 9 workshop: “Hunter Star”(full day) – Cynthia Collins**

If you are making a scrappy quilt, “anything goes” as long as you have darks and mediums for your background blocks, and very lights and lights for your stars – or vice versa. “Color value” (contrast) is the most important consideration.

To register for the workshop, contact Gloria Grimes at 501-915-8485.

### **Block of the Month –**

February – 10 ½ inch block yellow & blue

March – 12 ½ inch block - greens

**Treasurers Report** – Will be sent out later via email.

**Bee Keeper-** Please send your Bee info to Jean Fetcko – [jafetcko@yahoo.com](mailto:jafetcko@yahoo.com)

**Charity Quilts** – Bring finished donation quilts to meetings. We are in need of wall hangings for teens for the Ouachita Children’s Center

**New Members** - Betty Huss, Marianna Hale, Janet Hronek, Diane Jackson, Norma McKinnon, Douger Ann McPherson, Alice Knoblauch

**Sunshine Person** – Pat Stoiber 915-9954. If anyone has information of a person that would benefit from a card, please let her know when someone needs a little sunshine in her (his) life. (ezedews@suddenlink.net)

**Announcements** - There are approximately 40 people in the Village that receive meals from Meals on Wheels/McAuley Center. Members of the Stitch-n-Bitch bee, Phyllis Cline, Sherry Bingham, Susan Franks, Nola Abraham and Laurel Oliver made each of them a Christmas placemat to go with their meal. Maybe another bee would like to make Easter placemats to add a little cheer to their Easter meal.

Thanks, Laurel

### **Guild Meeting: January 4, 2012 Executive Board Meeting**

The executive board of the Hot Springs Village Guild met at the home of the president, Melanie Harman, on January 4, 2012. Those attending were Melanie Harman, Betsy Biezer, Gloria Grimes, Carol Johnson, Juanita Williams, Vera Owen and Judy Alexander.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

\*In 2010 the Guild membership voted that the position of Membership become an Executive Board position. As I was not put into the Bylaws in 1011, it was recommended the President present the correction of the Bylaws at the next General Membership Meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

\*The Treasurer, Juanita Williams, proposed the Budget.

\*The Fund Raisers for 2012 were discussed. It was proposed that we continue with the December Auction. Other suggestions were a garage sale in the spring, possibly in May. Also suggested was the possibility of one or two Opportunity Quilts. Information will be passed to the Ways and Means Chairman.

\*The option to purchase monthly ads in the Newsletter was discussed. The cost of the yearly ad is \$75. The cost of the monthly ad will be \$20 and could include a coupon if the advertiser desires. The Secretary will contact the area quilt shops.

\*The Executive Board voted unanimously for the Membership to continue to give the Guild binders to the new members. It was felt with all the Guild information for first time members, having the complete Guild' business in a folder would make them more aware of the Guild's actions. Pictures cannot be obtained off the Guild's Website. It was discussed updating the membership pictures at no cost to the Guild. There have been many new members since pictures were taken in 2008 and posted in 2009.

The Executive Board meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,  
Judy Alexander  
Guild Secretary

### **Guild Meeting: Village Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes –January 12, 2012**

The Village Quilt Guild meeting was called to order at 9:30 at Faith Lutheran Church by Sharon Juarez, the 2011 Guild President. The first order of business was to install the President for 2012, Melanie Harman. Melanie was unable to attend the December meeting when the Guild officers were installed.

There were 111 members and 5 visitors present at the meeting. Jackie Lowery, member of the Membership committee, introduced two new members, Linda Hartman and Ann Macpherson. Melanie announced that in the future it is hoped that the discussion at the Guild meetings will be limited. She encouraged all members to attend the board meetings each month to present Guild business since we have guests at our monthly Guild meetings and lengthy business minutes take away from the monthly programs.

Secretary's report: No changes to the last month's minutes--approved

Treasurer's report: No changes--will be filed for audit.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Charity and Bee Keeper: Eileen Kuhn introduced the new chairs of the Bees and the Donation quilts. She reported that over the past 5 years we have donate 1564 quilts and 877 pillows to various charities. Chair Jean Fetcko will

be in charge of the Bees while Chairs Debra Border and Janice Fyfe will collect the Guild's charity quilts. Each of the 25 Bees was recognized. Eileen stated that each Bee will need to get an updated list of its members to the Bee chair Jean Fetcko.

2. Block of the Month: Marilyn Whitman announced that there were 45 blocks turned in and divided three ways. The winners were Oleta Looney, Mary Harper and Miriam Langford. The February block will be a 10 ½ square made from yellow and blue fabrics. Marilyn reminded members that no more than two blocks are to be submitted each month.
3. Donation and Charity Quilts: Chairs Debra Border and Janice Fyfe announced that they are looking for wall hangings designed for teens for the Ouachita Children's Center. At each Guild meeting there will be bins in the entry to put completed quilts. They will no longer take unfinished quilts. Please feel free to contact them with any questions or concerns.
4. Ways and Means: Marge Payne, chair, reported that the auction was very successful. Approximately 200 items were donated for sale in the auction. The silent auction made \$3,172.75. Nola Abraham conducted the live auction which yielded \$1,415.00. The total money raised was \$4,587.75. Other fundraisers for the year were the October No-Bake Bake Sale (a crystal cake stand with fat "cinnamon rolls" made from rolled fabric totaling 5 yards) which was donated by Lou Ann Buell made \$325.00. The Opportunity Quilt drawing which was also in October raised \$306.83 (amount raised \$426.00 minus the expenses of \$119.17). The two quilts were donated by Marsha Vincent and Doris Harder was responsible for conducting the sale of the tickets.

## **VILLAGE QUILT GUILD BOARD MEETING---January 18, 2012**

The January board meeting was held at the home of the Guild's President, Melanie Harman.

Those attending the meeting were: Melanie Harman, Vera Owen, Marilyn Whitman, Juanita Williams, Barbara Larson, Winnie Perilloux, Deb Border, Peggy Helmer, Susan Ironside, Gloria Grimes, Katherine Winslow, Carol Johnson, Jean Fetcko and Judy Alexander.

After the meeting was called to order by the President asked for

### **Committee Reports -**

Library: Winnie Perilloux, Guild Librarian, reported that there are 428 books in the library.

Newsletter: It was recommended that the vendors who have paid advertisement in our Newsletter be added to the membership mailing list of the Newsletter. Peggy Helmer will see that the names are added.

Boutique: Katherine Winslow, the Boutique Chairman, reported that \$130.00 was collected at the boutique in January. She showed an antique steam iron that had been donated to the Guild Boutique. The board voted to save the iron and sell it at the auction in December. Katherine also mentioned that quilt books have been selling rather cheaply at the boutique and she would be willing to put them on Amazon in order to obtain additional funds for the Guild. In the future books Katherine deems worthy will be put on Amazon to be sold.

Bee Keeper: Jean Fetcko, Bee Keeper, said that the five new members who joined in January will be placed in a bee.

Bylaws: Barbara Larson, chairman of the Bylaws committee, stated that in addition to her, Nola Abraham and Agnes Moser will be serving on the Bylaws Committee. They will be meeting to review the current Bylaws and will present a report to the Guild at a later date. She stated that the Guild's Secretary will be responsible for keeping a file of the Bylaws.

### **Officer reports:**

The Treasurer, Juanita Williams, reported that 127 members have paid their yearly dues.

It was recommended that the Guild look for other possible locations to hold the workshops when there are members of the Guild teaching the classes. Katherine Winslow and Vera Owen will report back at a later time on possible sites due to the expense at the present locations.

There was a discussion of possible fundraisers for the 2013 budget. The Guild will continue to have the December Auction. Other suggestions included a garage sale (possibly in May) and opportunity-type quilts. Again the President encouraged that suggestions for fundraisers be made by the members.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Judy Alexander, Secretary

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ruth Ann Yak announced that SAQA (Studio Art Quilt Associates) will have a conference at the Main Library Gallery of the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies at 401 President Clinton Avenue in Little Rock on Friday and Saturday, February 10 & 11, 2012. RSVPs may be made to Deborah Kuster by February at [dkuster@uca.edu](mailto:dkuster@uca.edu) The McCaulley Center has a donated quilt that is about eighty years old and would like an appraisal. Contact the center if you are able to assist them.

The cost of the room’s rental for the Guild meetings is increasing. The cost is going from \$20.00 to \$30.00 an hour. Melanie encouraged the Bees to discuss and make suggestions about fundraisers to cover the additional cost of the monthly rental.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Melanie stated that it was proposed in 2011 that the Guild have a 3<sup>rd</sup> VP (Membership) which would be a board position. It was felt that this position is already an officer on the Executive Board. The Bylaws will be checked to see that the position has been voted on by the guild.

**PROGRAM:** Holly Vanhaverbeke, a member of our Guild, presented a program on “Organize a Scrap Bee and Trunk Show.”

**SHOW AND TELL**

**DOOR PRIZES**

Respectively submitted,  
Judy Alexander, Secretary

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