

**Omaha Quilter's Guild General Membership Meeting**  
**February 10, 2015**  
**Westside Community Center**  
**Meeting Minutes**

President Linda Holman welcomed 123 members, 3 guests and one new member. She thanked Carla Toczek, Rita Haverman and Nancy Wells for being the ambassadors for the evening. Linda asked any guild members who are interested in a leadership position to contact Amy Robertson. Nellie MacCallum, representing Shakespeare on the Green, was introduced. She informed the guild that the two productions this summer will be As You Like It and Othello. She asked that anyone interested in making a quilt to be raffled take one of the panels that she had available. Quilts may be any design and/or style. Finally, Linda informed members that March 14 is National Quilting Day. Special activities will be held at the International Quilt Study Center in Lincoln.

Committee reports:

Rising Stars: Lynn Doyle announced her March program, "Parade of Bags." Members are asked to bring a favorite bag along with the pattern for a show and tell. Lynn promised gifts for all. April's program will have Ellen Lessman teaching members about needles and thread. May's program will be an antique quilt show and tea party.

Library: Janelle Reed announced that the new library program, "Librarything.com" is online. Members will be able to write reviews and add tags or notes for the books. Janelle is currently working on organizing the books on the shelves. She would like to have members let her know the titles of any books that they would like added to the library.

Block Exchange: Jeanette encouraged all who are working on the mystery quilt to continue and finish that quilt. She will have a new block for exchange next month.

Spring Fling: Angella Arndt asked member who are attending the retreat to check for her email and let her know that they received the information she sent out. The retreat will be held February 13-15, 2015 at the Archdiocesan Conference Center. Check in is 4 p.m.

Quilts of Valor: Mary Zagozda and Kerby Selmer asked for help at their sew-ins. They meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at Jackie Heyne's shop, A Quilting Place. Their next sew-in will be on February 28.

Quilt Show: Tammy Magill informed members that the next meeting will be held next Tuesday, February 17, at St. Paul's Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Tammy was pleased to announce that the web pages for the quilt show are up and running. The quilt submission form and vendor forms are both available. She reminded

members that the theme is "Quilting is a Work of Art." Janelle Reed is in charge of decorations. Members may donate items. Please contact Janelle. Darcy has secured a site for members to have a sew-in for the small quilt auction. This will be held at Woodman Lodge located by Tully's Kennels which is off 84<sup>th</sup> Street and the interstate. The sew-in will be held from 9 – 12 on a Saturday in March. Any handmade donations will also be accepted from members for this auction. Special displays at the show will include an exhibit of dolls, Home of the Brave quilts, Quilts of Valor and Quilts of Conscience. Members were encouraged to work on a challenge quilt. This should be a piece that is inspired by a work of art. Works in progress may be brought to the meeting next month to qualify for door prizes.

Hospice: Judy Unrein, speaking for Pat Varner, informed the guild that quilts are needed for the Hospice House.

Home of the Brave: Wendy Benigno asked members to sign several quilts that she had available at the meeting.

Webstitcher: Corinne showed members the quilt show pages on the website. All information for quilt entry is available online. Members will use an online form to submit entries and will print their own receipt from the website. Numbers will be assigned at a later date. Volunteer sign-up is also available online. Drop off will be June 4 – 6 for the show to be held June 18 – 20.

Programs : Linda reminded guild members of the upcoming March program. Lynn Hagmeier of Kansas Troubles will teach the class. Members may select from one of two quilts to make, 30 Something or Delaney's Twirls and Swirls. Kits are available for both. The patterns can be found in her book, Layer of Love.

On April 14, Cindy Lohbeck will conduct a class on hand dying. The class fee is \$45 with a required kit. The cost for the kit is \$100.

On May 12, Sue Daley will teach 2 classes, appliqué and English paper piecing. There is still availability if members wish to sign up for the classes. Her lecture will be "Patchwork with busy fingers."

February class: Members who took the Hunter's Star class, taught by Jackie Heyne, showed their projects.

Membership: Janet Hall and Frances Williamson presented a number of door prizes.

Program: AccuQuilt of Omaha presented a program and also donated a GoBaby with carrying case to a lucky member.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Nish