

Country Star Quilt Guild

Meeting Minutes: May 10, 2020

Due to the continuing Covid-19 public assembly limitations, the Guild could not meet in person. Therefore, it was decided that the meeting would take the form of "Facebook Live" transmissions by Sue Deyo, President, Barbara Wagner (for Tips & Pieces), and Lori Frederick (Evening Program and Block of the Month). The following is a summary of the Facebook presentations.

Call to Order: Sue Deyo, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10pm

Devotion/Prayer: Sue offered the devotion and prayer. Sue advised the members that Ava Pitts was undergoing a stressful medical incident and asked that she be kept in our prayers.

Sue mentioned that she forgot to celebrate the April birthdays at the last meeting. Sue acknowledged those with April and May birthdays.

Meeting Space: Sue announced that as of the June 2020 meeting, the Guild will be meeting at the Friendship Alliance Church at 44491 Mary Sauls Circle in Callahan. She thanked Sharon Propper for arranging this with the church. This means that our meetings and Sit and Sews will be at the church.

Officers for 2020-2021: Sue announced the officers elected automatically (without opposition):

President: Chris Sandstrom

o Treasurer: Bonnie Cranmer-Eisenhower

Communications Coordinator: Lori Frederick

Barbara Wagner agreed to continue on as Vice President and two members are running for secretary, Peggy Smith and Holly Yurchison. Sue displayed pictures of both members to place a face with the name. She advised that we would receive an email tomorrow asking us to vote for one or the other.

Calendar: Sue explained that much is in limbo, including future meeting dates and future Sit and Sews. She will advise of developments as they occur through email, posting on Facebook, or possibly another Facebook live. If we meet face-to-face on June 8th at the Friendship Alliance church, members are asked to bring their "button box" or whatever they keep their buttons in. Sit and Sews for June are on June 12 and 26. When she ends her transmission, Barbara Wagner will do her Facebook Live presentation, and then Lori Frederick will sign in.

Tips & Pieces: Barbara Wagner discussed how many of us are trying to finish up our UFOs and we might be at the point of adding borders. She said that most quilts seem to have borders. She demonstrated a better way to join strips for borders by creating a template that facilitated a 45-degree cut and joint. This bias joint has a nicer finish than a perpendicular joint. She also demonstrated how that joint can be used to put together binding strips and to finish the binding on a quilt.

Program and Block of the Month: Lori Frederick reminded everyone of their task last month – to craft two string blocks. She asked that we sign both of the blocks with a Pigma pen set with an iron. She said that black was preferred, and it should be in the quilter's hand. She and Sue Deyo have been dropping hints all week about tonight's program: building a "heart-in-home" block. Our task, therefore, is to craft a heart-in-home block and bring it to the next meeting. It should be an 8 ½" block that will finish at 8" when placed in a quilt. There are four components: house, background, roof, and heart. Lori then went through the steps to construct the block. A copy of the instructions, to be available tomorrow, will be attached to these minutes. Members who bring a block to the next face-to-face meeting will receive a ticket (one ticket for however many blocks).

Lori explained that when the Quilt of Valor (QOV) speaker was present, she gave Lori a lot of materials that Lori was going to go through and distribute to members. She apologized for not doing so and said she would as soon as possible. She said the guild's challenge is to make Quilts of Valor over the summer.

BOM: Lori said that this was the last month of specific colors. Today's colors: 4 different shades of blue. We must use at least 4 shades of blue. Linda will post the color swatches on Facebook after the meeting. For the June meeting, members are to bring a flimsy including, at minimum, one block incorporating each month's color combinations. Lori and Linda will get together to decide if sashing would be allowed, even though their original instructions prohibited sashing.

Lori Frederick ended the meeting with the end of her Facebook Live.

Respectfully submitted by Marsa Detscher, Secretary