

Pine Needlers Quilt Group
Business Meeting October 2, 2023
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The meeting was called to order by President, Judy Inskeep, at 9:35am.
34 members were in attendance.

Pastor Schmeltz said a prayer in response to prayer requests made from the group.

The minutes as emailed were found to have no corrections needed. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Karen Kramer and seconded by Karla Desrosiers and was approved by the membership.

There were 2 pieces of correspondence received. One was from Rob Turnwall, former Safe House Board President, thanking the Pine Needlers for their \$90.00 donation to the Safe House. He also requested that all future donations be made to Changepoint Integrated Health as they now handle the Safe House finances. The second piece of correspondence was from our own Edna Kemp, who thanked Pine Needlers for "all you have done...to bring joy to our military veterans and their families".

The Treasurer's report was emailed to the group by Deb Bradford. She discussed changes made to the donation list and these changes were approved by all members present. Our ending balance was \$16,236.09.

October birthday celebrants are Barbara Bayer, Barb Birdsell, Leslie Buechel and Sandy Stiefes

Standing Committees/Old Business:

Military Quilts: Edna Kemp / Lesley Beuchel report that there are 22 quilts completed and in storage for the upcoming presentation. She indicated that the current BOM patterns are on the back counter and that the pattern will also be send out via email.

Community Quilts: Edna Kemp reported that there are no Community quilts finished but 6 are being made.

Project Linus: Judy Inskeep reported that there are 10 or 11 quilts ready for Project Linus. There is still a shortage of quilts for teenagers. The kits by Brenda Clark are a good source and stitch up quite quickly.

Retreats: The upcoming retreat date for this month is Oct. 10th. There was one opening at the time of the meeting. Check with Karla at open sew or via phone call to see if it is still available. In order for Carol to not hold a retreat, we must have no less than 6 and no more than 16 members attending. Only if there are no members willing to take one or the other Retreats, then Karla has a list of those who don't mind attending 2 sessions. Please contact Karla Desrosiers promptly either after today's meeting or via phone call. Same goes, if you find you are unable to attend any upcoming Retreat spot. REMINDER: Retreat fee is due no later than the Business meeting in which the Retreat date is being attended by you.

Education: Linda Pfeifer reports the upcoming classes will be October 18th, Fabric Strips by Judy Inskeep, and November 8th, Landscape Quilt by Karen Kramer. Check with Linda as there may be openings for either class.

Linda made a motion that \$100.00 for teacher's expenses be approved. Marilyn Giblin seconded the motion, and it was approved by all members present.

Quilt Show: Karen Kramer passed out thank you cards to all who helped make this year's quilt show such an amazing success.

New Business: Judy Inskeep relayed that the room we were interested in renting at the Red Barn was rented by someone else, but the room next to it (with a door to the outside) has become available if we are interested. The owners of the Red Barn will require \$150.00 to hold the room. Rent for the winter months would be \$30.00 per month. Kay Hunter motioned to accept the room rental and Brenda Clark seconded the motion. It was accepted by the membership. The group voted for the Long Arm via a written ballot, then tallied with the results being 17 yes and 9 no.

Additional New Business From The Floor: Judy Inskeep announced that the Red Barn is having their October Fest on 10/20 through 22. If you wish to rent a booth, the price would be \$50.00 for all three days. She also wanted to know what everyone thought about building a Pine Needlers site on Facebook to let the community know exactly what we do. The majority approved of the idea. Marilyn Giblin volunteered to be the editor of the site.

It was suggested that when we send a donation check that we invite a member of that organization to come to a meeting or open sew to tell us exactly what they do.

Mary Slogar is having a celebration in honor of her and her husband's 50th wedding anniversary. The party will be on 11/25/2023 at her house. If you can make it to celebrate their special day, let Mary know.

Barb Birdsell wanted to thank everyone who helped her get through the summer. It wasn't easy but she made it.

Jenny Grotberg found a computer repairman with whom she was very impressed. Almost all of us have computers and some of us frequently need help with them. See Jenny for a name and phone number.

Karla Desrosiers said all banners are finished. She also found a quilt kit in her stash that she offered to give to the group for consideration for next year's opportunity quilt. The finished size would be 106" X 96".

This year's December Potluck will be hosted by Marilyn Giblin. It will be on Monday, December 11th, from 10:30am to 1pm. She said that in the event that she has to have surgery, her sisters, Sharon and Denine, will take over for her.

Brenda Clark brought in several flannel bolts and flat pieces that were donated by a 94-year-old lady, Lorretta Shields, and her friend. There were also two kits, one military and one that can be used for a Charity Quilt. The only thing they ask is that we send them a picture of whatever we make out of the fabric.

UFO/PHD/ or New Project List: Brenda Clark reports that last month's project #2 are here for viewing. Participants were DJ Strauss, Bonnie Kouskouris, Marilyn Giblin, Linda Pfeifer, Karen Kramer and Judy Inskeep. Winning participant of the monthly prize is DJ Strauss. Next month's project # is 8.

Judy's Group Challenge was a Paint Chip project. It was truly amazing and fun to see what the ladies came up with. Best of Show and Most Creative went to DJ Strauss. DJ also received votes for Best Use of Color, along with Carol Smith, Mayre Walker and Judy Inskeep.

Next month's challenge is to make a Homemade Christmas Ornament.

Upcoming Quilt Shows:

November 3rd and 4th, Country Quilt Round Up, Payson, AZ. Deadline is 10/15/ 2023. Free admission if you agree to help.

Member Interviewees:

Member's Interviewee #1: Candy Kelly is the proud mother of 3 boys and 1 girl. She also has 7 grandkids, consisting of 4 boys and 3 girls, who also light up her life. In 1982 Candy and her husband moved to Overgaard from Springerville and Young. In the 1970's her husband took a part-time job with the Forest Service that ended up lasting 33 years. Candy taught high school for 23 years. She said she started quilting 50 years ago. It wasn't until after her retirement that she joined the Pine Needlers.

Member's Interviewee #2: Linda Pfeifer was born on a dairy farm in Indiana in 1951. She has 4 brothers and 1 sister. She graduated from high school in 1969 and then entered college where she pursued a career in education. She taught Home Economics for 7 years then was encouraged to become a counselor when Home Economics was eliminated from the curriculum. She was going to school in hopes of attaining a Doctorate in Psychology when the Rodeo/Chediski Fire broke out, totally destroying her home. She and her husband chose not to rebuild. After developing headaches and high blood pressure Linda decided not to continue pursuing a Doctorate. She retired in 2006 and began an exciting adventure Camp hosting with her husband for several years, 5 of those years being in Yellowstone National Park. She has 2 quilts hanging in Ussery Mountain Visitor Center and Hole In The Wall in Mojave National Park. Linda developed breast cancer in 2009, recovering after chemo, radiation and a bout with Mersa. Fortunately for us, she returned to Overgaard 6 years ago this December.

Next month's Member Interviewees are: Mayre Walker & Kathy Adair

Show and Tell was held, with projects shared by Denine Moriarty, Sharon Mominee, Linda Pfeifer, Trudy Janes, Yuriko Zoller, Edna Kemp, Leslie Buechel and Mayre Walker.

Door Prizes were awarded.

Our next business meeting will be Monday, November 6, 2023. Snacks at 9:00am and the meeting will begin at 9:30 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37am following a motion by Brenda Clark and seconded by Judy Inskeep.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Adair
Secretary