

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 20, 2026



Barbara Mathews called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.

WELCOME – Barbara Mathews

- Reminded everyone to check in at the kiosk
- First-time visitors
 - Deborah Andrews
 - Jane Hide
 - Sandy Vadset
 - Diane Brosten
 - Liz Kevil
- Reminded everyone to buy tickets for the Blue Bag Drawing
 - Pam Waters explained that each month as well as the regular blue bags, there will be an additional special drawing for a door hanger kit
 - For every \$5 spent on the Blue Bag drawing, members will earn a ticket for the Door Hanger drawing.
- Monthly potluck in February – last names beginning with D, E, F, & G
- Saturday Sew Day this coming Saturday, the 24th at Victoria Village

QUILTS OF VALOR – Barbara Filbin

- Barbara thanked everyone who has stepped up to get the job done
 - She has kits here for anyone who wishes to take one
- Two quilts were awarded on January 16th
- One quilt to be awarded on January 29th
- QOV National Sew Day, February 7, 2026, 9:30 to 3:30, at the Goeske Center
 - Let Barbara Filbin know if you plan to attend
 - Register online with QOV organization to be eligible for prizes throughout the day.
 - There will be a membership table for registering any renewing or possible new members. If interested and helping, please contact Barbara or Eva Newman
 - Light lunch will be served for the veterans and their families and those registered with Barbara

RETREATS – Amy Printup

- Ayres Retreat – March 2026 – full
 - She reminded everyone to be sure to reserve hotel accommodations directly with Ayres
- Viña Retreat – May 1-3, 2026 – Space for 18 attendees
 - Registration is open. See Amy for forms and to pay \$150 deposit to hold your space.
 - \$450 total cost – includes all meals

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POTLUCK

STASH EXCHANGE CHALLENGE REVEAL – Evie Rienstra

- The following participants shared their completed projects:
 - Rebecca Gibson
 - Kay Whiteside
 - Lorraine Halverson
 - Nancy Poole
 - Ruth Wood
 - Amy Printup
 - Xiomara Pico
- _____ was the lucky winner of the \$50 Cotton Gin gift card drawing; all participants received a \$5 Cotton Gin gift card.

NEXT CHALLENGE – Evie Rienstra

- 2 Fabric Challenge – use only 2 fabrics
 - Any 2 fabrics of choice
 - Any type of project
 - Reveal will be at the May 2026 meeting

SHOW AND SHARE

- Linda McKenna, Marjorie Sholes, Kay Whiteside, Lorraine Halverson, Vickie Mihelich, and Paula Wilcoxon shared completed quilts/projects. Barbara Filbin shared QOV tops pieced by Xiomara Pico and Joyce Stanger.

PROGRAM

- Kay Whiteside gave a brief background on her many travels with a group of quilting friends. She then shared highlights and “goodies” from her most recent trip to Indonesia, visiting batik factories and trying her hand at the process herself. Thank you, Kay!

BLOCK OF THE MONTH – Susan Miller and Jeri Read

- Shared completed sample of first block of mystery BOM quilt
- Fabric requirements for finished top
 - 2 yards of background fabric
 - 1 yard of focus fabric
 - Stash/Scraps for other coordinating fabric
- New block each month to November
- Present quilts in December

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

- Ideas for increasing RQG's visibility and boost membership
 - Flyers for posting and taking to events
 - Business Cards
 - Bring a Friend – July Meeting
 - All member potluck
 - "Yes, You Can Do It College"
 - Need 4 volunteers to share a skill

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

- Winners – Barbara Zaricki, Pam Waters, Ruth Solis

BLUE BAG DRAWING

- Blue Bag Winners – Theresa Ortiz, Liliana Davis, Terri Erickson, Jeri Read (2), Lorraine Halverson, and Liz Kevil
- Special Door Hanger Kit winner – Marva Belcher

ANGIE BAGS

- Marva Belcher
- Margaret Higgins

Time Meeting Adjourned: 8:02 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Barbara Kaiser