

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 17, 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
 - Eileen Hiker
 - April Birk
- Reminded everyone about various ways to get a ticket for our attendance drawing
 - Wear handmade name tag = 1 ticket
 - Wear RQG Membership pin = 1 ticket
 - Non-perishable food item(s) for Goeske food bank = 1 ticket total
 - Let the ladies at the check-in desk to be sure you get your ticket
 - Completed charity quilt/project (e.g., dog or cat bed, QOV quilt, Comfort Quilt, NORA bag) = 1 ticket total

INVITATION TO POTLUCK

SPECIAL PROGRAM

Barbara introduced Christopher Layer (professional musician and Cassandra's Uncle), who entertained us with wonderful and fun musical selections on pipes and wooden flutes. Thank you, Christopher for sharing your talents! (Thank you, Cassandra, for sharing your uncle!)

PROGRAM

- Jo Melis shared many of the tips, tricks, and methods she's found helpful in her quilting journey. As a bonus she provided everyone with an extensive handout outlining her methods to take with us for use as a reference in the future.

WORKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENTS – Maria Copak

- Jo Melis workshop – Saturday, February 21 – 9 to 3 at Victoria Village Clubhouse. Cost \$40. Sign up and pay tonight. Opened to non-members as well.
- Candy Glendening (rescheduled) workshop – Saturday, April 25th – 9 to 3 at Victoria Village Clubhouse. Cost \$40

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Reminder to buy tickets for the Blue Bag drawings. \$5 = 6 tickets, plus each \$5 earns 1 special ticket for the monthly door hanging kit drawing.

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- Viña Retreat – May 1-3
 - 12 openings available – See Vickie Mihelich with your completed registration for and \$150 non-refundable deposit to hold your place.
- July Meeting – “Bring a Friend”
 - Will be doing round robin demos – looking for 2 or 3 additional volunteers to demonstrate a tip or technique.

BREAK

SHOW AND SHARE

- Barbara Mathews, Patsi Fountaine, Angie Nudge, Cassandra Gray, Pam Waters, Evie Rienstra, Carrie Alldis, and Kay Whiteside shared their quilts/projects for all to enjoy.
- Barb Filbin shared 2 Quilts of Valor quilt tops completed by two new members to our Guild.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH – Jeri Read

- Displayed completed Block 1 blocks
 - Those bringing completed blocks were given a free fat quarter
- Shared samples of Block 2 – 9” (finished) Friendship Star Block

COMMUNITY PROJECTS – Barb Filbin

- 12 Cat/Dog bags were completed for the animal shelter
- 10 NORA bags were completed for the Rape Crisis Center
- Quilts of Valor
 - QOV National Sew Day – 5 quilts were started
 - QOV Monthly Sew day – 1st Wed of each month at Goeske Center in our usual meeting room
 - Barb outlined number of veterans currently on her list to receive quilts
 - Explained that 4 names she’s had for an extended period have failed to respond to several attempts to schedule them for a presentation – they will be dropped from her list if no response to her most recent contact.
 - The next big presentation will be in November during the Goeske Center’s Veteran’s Day Program
 - Barb needs a volunteer to go with her to a single-veteran presentation.
 - As always, she welcomes any volunteers to assist with any part of the quilt-making process.

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CHALLENGE – Evie Rienstra

- Evie briefly reminded everyone of the “Two Color” challenge, finished project to be revealed at the May General Meeting
 - Any 2 fabrics of choice
 - Any type of project

REMINDERS

- March Potluck – last names beginning with _____
- 4th Saturday Sew Day – February 28th – Victoria Village

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

- Winners – Nancy Poole, Pam Waters, Vangie Gorman

BLUE BAG DRAWING

- Eight lucky ladies took home goodies from the Blue Bag drawing
- Special Door Hanger Kit winner – Vickie Mihelich

ANGIE BAGS

- Lorraine Halverson
- Barbara Mathews

Time Meeting Adjourned: 8:28 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Barbara Kaiser